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## **:: Week in Review**

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

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## **Global Governance – Risk Assessment/Mitigation**

### **The World Needs to Wake Up to Long-Term Risks**

World Economic Forum

News 19 Jan 2021

:: In 2020, the world saw the catastrophic effects of ignoring long-term risks such as pandemics, now an immediate risk according to the [Global Risks Report 2021](#) released today

:: The COVID-19 pandemic is increasing disparities and social fragmentation, in the next 3-5 years will threaten the economy, and in the next 5-10 years will weaken geopolitical stability

:: Meanwhile, environmental concerns still top the list in terms of likelihood and impact for the next decade

:: Read the full report [here](#) [97 pages] and find out more about the Global Risks Initiative [here](#)

### **Top Risks**

by likelihood

- 1 Extreme weather
- 2 Climate action failure
- 3 Human environmental damage
- 4 Infectious diseases
- 5 Biodiversity loss
- 6 Digital power concentration
- 7 Digital inequality
- 8 Interstate relations fracture
- 9 Cybersecurity failure
- 10 Livelihood crises

### **Top Risks**

by impact

- 1 Infectious diseases
- 2 Climate action failure
- 3 Weapons of mass destruction
- 4 Biodiversity loss
- 5 Natural resource crises
- 6 Human environmental damage
- 7 Livelihood crises
- 8 Extreme weather
- 9 Debt crises
- 10 IT infrastructure breakdown

FIGURE II  
Global Risks Landscape

How do respondents perceive the impact ↑ and likelihood → of global risks?



POSTSCRIPT

**FORESIGHT ON FRONTIER RISKS** [p.84]

In collaboration with the Global Future Council on Frontier Risks

COVID-19 has demonstrated the rapid and cascading impacts of a global catastrophic risk manifested. Pandemics—as well as climate change, debt crises, cyberattacks and others—are high-likelihood, high-impact risks on which we focus our attention each year in the *Global Risks Report*.

We expand our analysis this year to ask high-level risk experts about potential shocks that are less well known but would have huge impacts if manifested. The purpose of this non-exhaustive list is to encourage more expansive thinking about the universe of risk possibilities in the next decade.

The goal is to better enable preparation, rather than paralysis, as well as resilience in the face of crisis. The list below sets out some of the potential frontier risks that are on the minds of risks analysts.

***Accidental war***

An inter-state skirmish escalates to war as governments fail to control action in the absence of accurate information. Weakened multilateralism leads to failure to contain.

***Anarchic uprising***

Young activists, fed up with corruption, inequality and suffering, mobilize against elites. AI-powered social media is exploited to spread disinformation, fomenting social chaos.

***Brain-machine interface exploited***

Companies, governments or individuals utilize burgeoning “mind-reading” technology to extract data from individuals for commercial or repressive purposes.

***Collapse of an established democracy***

A democracy turns authoritarian through the progressive hollowing out of the body of law. A legal rather than a violent coup erodes the system, with knock-on effects on other democratic systems.

***Geomagnetic disruption***

A rapid reversal of the Earth’s geomagnetic poles generates destabilizing consequences for the biosphere and human activity.

***Gene editing for human enhancement***

Governments begin classified genetic engineering programmes. A class of people is born with genetic capabilities better suited for space, Arctic, or deep-sea survival, setting off a genetic arms race between geopolitical rivals with undetermined ethical consequences.

***Neurochemical control***

Malicious use of pharmaceutical neurochemicals aims to control adversaries. Governments begin to use these drugs for non-lethal law enforcement.

***Permafrost melt releases ancient microorganisms***

A warming planet leads to permafrost melt in the Arctic. An ancient virus, unknown in modern science, is released into the air, soil, and water systems.

***Deployment of small-scale nuclear weapons***

New technology allows for proliferation of low-yield warheads, blurring deterrence frameworks and leading to global nuclear war.

*\* The views in this section represent those of the Global Future Council on Frontier Risks and not of the World Economic Forum or its partners.*

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## **Nuclear Weapons**

### **The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement celebrates the entry into force of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons**

21-01-2021 | *News release*

Geneva/New York (ICRC/IFRC) – The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement welcomes the entry into force today of the first instrument of international humanitarian law to include provisions to help address the catastrophic humanitarian consequences of using and testing nuclear weapons.

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) explicitly and unequivocally prohibits the use, threat of use, development, production, testing and stockpiling of nuclear weapons, and it obliges all States Parties to not assist, encourage or induce anyone in any way to engage in any activity prohibited by the Treaty.

“Today is a victory for humanity. This Treaty – the result of more than 75 years of work – sends a clear signal that nuclear weapons are unacceptable from a moral, humanitarian, and now a legal point of view. It sets in motion even higher legal barriers and an even greater stigmatization of nuclear warheads than already exists. It allows us to imagine a world free from these inhumane weapons as an achievable goal,” said Peter Maurer, President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC).

Red Cross and Red Crescent leaders celebrate the entry into force of the TPNW and salute all 51 states<sup>[1]</sup> whose backing of the Treaty makes clear their refusal to accept nuclear weapons as an inevitable part of the international security architecture. They invite other world leaders, including those of nuclear-armed states, to follow suit and join the path toward a world free of nuclear weapons, in line with long-standing international obligations, notably those under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

Francesco Rocca, President of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), said: “The entry into force of this instrument of international humanitarian law comes as a welcome and powerful reminder that despite current global tensions, we can overcome even our biggest and most entrenched challenges, in the true spirit of multilateralism. This capacity to effectively unite and coordinate our action should be called upon as we grapple with other global, deadly challenges.”

The Treaty obliges states to provide assistance, including medical care, rehabilitation and psychological support, to victims under their jurisdiction without discrimination, and ensure their socio-economic inclusion. It also requires states to clear areas contaminated by nuclear use or testing.

“The Treaty is a ground-breaking step to address the legacy of destruction caused by these weapons. The compelling evidence of the suffering and devastation caused by nuclear weapons, and the threat their use may pose to humanity’s survival, makes attempts to justify their use or mere existence increasingly indefensible. It is extremely doubtful that these weapons could ever be used in line with international humanitarian law,” Mr. Maurer said...

## Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons – Legal factsheet

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) is the first globally applicable multilateral agreement to comprehensively prohibit nuclear weapons.

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## **Global Governance**

### Shared Future: Government and Business Leaders Release Guidance for Strengthening Global Cooperation

World Economic Forum

*News* 21 Jan 2021

:: The World Economic Forum today released a set of seven principles to serve as a new compass for global relations

:: The [Principles for Strengthening Global Cooperation](#) call for peace and security, equity, gender equality and sustainability

:: Leaders from Canada, the Netherlands, Japan, South Africa, Goldman Sachs and Google co-chaired the Global Action Group, which formulated the principles

:: The World Economic Forum convened the Global Action Group in 2020 to examine mechanisms for increasing multistakeholder collaboration and to identify a set of shared principles for strengthening global cooperation.

:: See the list of members of the Global Action Group and read the [Principles for Strengthening Global Cooperation](#).

#### Principle 1

#### **Strengthen global cooperation**

The COVID-19 pandemic struck a world in which geopolitical confrontation was overtaking cooperation. Current challenges should serve not to harden previous postures, but to offer opportunity for a geopolitical reset. Renewed global cooperation is necessary to advance universal priorities of peace, prosperity, health and sustainability.

#### Principle 2

#### **Advance peace and security**

The COVID-19 pandemic threatens global peace and stability. Fragile communities and conflict zones are the areas likely to be hardest hit by immediate public-health and economic challenges and potential second-order crises. Recovery measures must include steps that advance long-term security and humanitarian objectives in accordance with Sustainable Development Goal 16 by accelerating peace efforts, capital investments, as well as steps that promote good governance, strong institutions and social cohesion.

#### Principle 3

#### **Re-globalize equitably**

The benefits of globalization have not been shared widely enough and the COVID-19 pandemic threatens to exacerbate inequities within and between societies. All people, regardless of race, gender or financial standing, should be able to benefit from globalization. Therefore, while quickly increasing economic activity must be a global imperative, so too must be ensuring that societies are inclusive and systemic racism and discrimination is addressed. A new global social contract – calling for closing digital divides, supporting robust education and life-long skills training, reducing inequity and addressing debt burdens in lower- and middle-income countries – is required.

## Principle 4

### Promote gender equality

Societies with greater levels of gender equality tend to be more prosperous and sustainable, yet inequalities exist and persist regarding the safety, health, compensation and political representation of women. As part of a recovery, economies and societies must put in place measures to prevent gender-based discrimination and violence, and reduce barriers to women's financial and professional advancement and enjoyment of their human rights.

## Principle 5

### Rebuild sustainably

The development of green economies offers an opportunity to increase employment while addressing the critical global risk of climate change. For this reason, the COVID-19 pandemic should not be used as a pretext to forego the inclusion of sustainable development elements in policies. Instead, measures that promote recovery, including extraordinary stimulus funding, should advance carbon-neutral products and practices and be undertaken in a way that is consistent with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

## Principle 6

### Deepen public-private partnerships

Governments have taken decisive fiscal action in response to the economic impact of the pandemic. In the longer term, education, infrastructure, technology and humanitarian priorities will require substantial and sustainable investments. Government and business need to pursue financing mechanisms and partnerships to promote innovation and create enabling environments for investing in and efficiently directing resources towards societal and global priorities.

## Principle 7

### Increase global resilience

The COVID-19 pandemic has shown the need for greater global resilience. Protectionist measures do not promote financial stability or offer long-term safeguards against potential technological, economic and public-health shocks. Rather, increased information sharing is necessary, as are revitalized trade networks and a more rules-based global trade system.

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## Design – Social Impact

### [New European Bauhaus: Commission launches design phase](#)

*Press release* 18 January 2021

Today, the Commission launched the design phase of the New European Bauhaus initiative, announced by President von der Leyen in her 2020 State of the Union [address](#).

**The New European Bauhaus is an environmental, economic and cultural project, aiming to combine design, sustainability, accessibility, affordability and investment in order to help deliver the European Green Deal. The core values of the New European Bauhaus are thus sustainability, aesthetics and inclusiveness.** The goal of the design phase is to use a co-creation process to shape the concept by exploring ideas, identifying the most urgent needs and challenges, and to connect interested parties. As one element of the design phase, this spring, the Commission will launch, the first edition of the New European Bauhaus prize.

This design phase will lead to the opening of calls for proposals in autumn this year to bring to life New European Bauhaus ideas in at least five places in EU Member States, through the use of EU funds at national and regional level.

European Commission President, Ursula von der Leyen, said: "The New European Bauhaus is a project of hope to explore how we live better together after the pandemic. It is about matching sustainability with style, to bring the European Green Deal closer to people's minds and homes. We need all creative minds: designers, artists, scientists, architects and citizens, to make the New European Bauhaus a success."

#### *Background*

**The New European Bauhaus is a creative initiative, breaking down boundaries between science and technology, art, culture and social inclusion, to allow design to find solutions for everyday problems.**

On the dedicated website launched today, artists, designers, engineers, scientists, entrepreneurs, architects, students, and all interested people can share examples of inspiring achievements for the New European Bauhaus, their ideas about how it should be shaped and how it should evolve, as well as their concerns and challenges.

**This is the beginning of an innovative co-design process.** Organisations that want to put more effort into their engagement in this process can become 'Partners of the New European Bauhaus,' by responding to the call on the website.

In the coming months, the Commission will award prizes to existing examples that represent the integration of the key values of the initiative, and that may inspire the discussions about, and the transformation of, the places where we live.

In the next phase of the initiative – the 'delivery' phase, five pilot projects will be set up to co-design new sustainable and inclusive solutions with style. The objective of the third phase – 'dissemination', is to spread the ideas and concepts defining the New European Bauhaus via new projects, networking and sharing of knowledge, in Europe and beyond.

For more information: [New European Bauhaus website & 'New European Bauhaus explained'](#)

*Speech* 18 January 2021

**[Opening remarks by Commissioner Ferreira at the joint press conference with Commissioner Gabriel on the launch of the New European Bauhaus](#)**

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

Readers will recall that the Bauhaus movement recently celebrated its centenary/100-year anniversary. We share the overview published in *Nature* as below for reference.

#### **[The Bauhaus at 100: science by design](#)**

*Nicholas Fox Weber uncovers the scientific currents threading through the history of this pioneering German school of design.*





*Yellow-Red-Blue*, a 1925 painting by Wassily Kandinsky, who taught at the Bauhaus from 1922 to 1933. Credit: Fine Art Images/Heritage Images/Getty

The most influential design school in history, the Bauhaus, was founded 100 years ago by visionary German architect Walter Gropius. There, mathematical principles and engineering rigour were applied to fine art, craft and architecture. The school pioneered a splendid amalgamation of science and art.

The Bauhaus aesthetic depended above all on geometric forms, a reflection of machined design and mechanical engineering. It deployed modern industrial materials such as tubular steel and concrete. Yet it was also significantly inspired by nature — a salient source of Bauhaus glory, whether manifested in graphic design, weaving, carpentry, glass, metalwork or wall painting.

The school was born in tumult. In 1916, as the First World War raged, Gropius left the front on temporary leave for Weimar in Germany. He had been invited to teach architecture at the Grand-Ducal Saxon Academy of Fine Art, which would replace the recently closed School of Arts and Crafts. When Gropius returned to his army camp, he began to develop his ideas for an academy that would weld craft to the fine and applied arts.

While studying wartime tools and technologies — guns, cannon and other products of industry — he formulated his programme. He would call his school the Bauhaus: literally, 'building house', crisp and apt. It would develop household objects from furniture to tableware: ornament-free, functional and intended for mass production. The school's workshops would be laboratories where students would gain "an equal command of technology and form". Unlike the pretentious aesthetic then reigning in

Berlin, Bauhaus designs would fulfil real needs. Functionality determined form and governed aesthetic decisions.

Gropius thought scientifically. He encapsulated his philosophy in a 1937 [article in The Architectural Record](#), where he wrote that design demands “an intimate knowledge of biological, social, technical and artistic problems”. He believed that architecture needed to be based in a sure knowledge of materials, and that it must reflect the psychological and sensory impact of shape, texture and colour...

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## **COVID – Travel**

### **Global Tourism Crisis Committee Meets Again to Explore Safe Travel in Age of Vaccines**

21 Jan 2021

World Tourism Organization

With countries around the world now rolling out vaccines against the COVID-19 virus, the Committee noted that this opens a critical window in the fight against the pandemic and to promote the safe resumption of international travel. Members highlighted the importance of stepping up coordination, within the framework of the International Health Regulations, of vaccination certificates to ensure the implementation of common, harmonized digital related travel principles, protocols and documents. This would be in line with the work being carried out by the World Health Organization (WHO), which has reported at potential applications of digital technology to enable safe international travel and facilitate arrivals and departures...

#### ***Crisis Committee: Recommendations and Next Steps***

Meeting on the occasion of the 8th Global Tourism Crisis Committee, held in Madrid, on 18 January 2021 and within the context of the 113th session of the UNWTO Executive Council, the members of the Committee recalled:

[1] That the vaccination opens a critical window of opportunity to fight the COVID-19 pandemic and promote the safe reassuming of international travel alongside other risk mitigation tools such COVID-19 testing.

[2] That according to the World Health Organization (WHO) Director-General report to the WHO Executive Council on ‘Strengthening preparedness for health emergencies: implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005); Interim progress report of the Review Committee on the Functioning of the International Health Regulations (2005) during the COVID-19 Response’ the Committee “is looking into the possible applications of digital technology to enable safe international travel, including for documentation at points of entry (arriving and departing travellers), travel history, testing and contact tracing, and possibly vaccination requirements.<sup>1</sup>

[3] The urgency of accelerating the coordination of international cross-border travel principles and protocols to ensure a safe and seamless restart of tourism in view of the resurgence of cases and the continued lack of common principles and mechanisms for testing protocols related to travel.

#### ***The Committee called for:***

[1] Stepping up the coordination, within the framework of the International Health Regulations<sup>2</sup>, of **vaccination certificates to ensure a timely monitoring, definition and implementation of common, harmonized digital related travel principles, protocols and documents.**

[2] **Support the standardization, digitalization and interoperability of testing protocols and certification systems**, based on commonly agreed evidence and risk-assessment indicators for origin and destination country/territory.

[3] Support of the Organisation of Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)'s initiative for the development and coordination of **a harmonised system in all countries to open borders safely** in coordination with World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the World Health Organization (WHO).

[4] The implementation of the ICAO CART Take-off Guidance, including the Manual on Testing and Cross-border Risk Management Measures<sup>3</sup> and establishing Public Health Corridors (PHCs), in order to advance the harmonization of testing protocols requirements.

[5] **Countries to ensure that measures affecting international traffic are risk-based, evidence-based, coherent, proportionate and time limited.**

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## **COVID – Food Security Impacts**

**[UN agencies warn economic impact of COVID-19 and worsening inequalities will fuel malnutrition for billions in Asia and the Pacific — FAO-UNICEF-WFP-WHO](#)**

*Child and maternal diets particularly vulnerable*

***The report, 'Asia and the Pacific Regional Overview of Food Security and Nutrition 2020: Maternal and Child Diets at the Heart of Improving Nutrition' launched today in Bangkok, is jointly published by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Food Programme and the World Health Organization.***

Bangkok, Thailand, 20 January 2021 – **The economic impact of COVID-19 on the world's most populous region is threatening to further undermine efforts to improve diets and nutrition of nearly two billion people in Asia and the Pacific** who were already unable to afford healthy diets prior to the pandemic, says a new report published today by four specialized agencies of the United Nations.

The report found that 1.9 billion people were unable to afford a healthy diet, even before the COVID-19 outbreak and the damage it has since caused to economies and individual livelihoods.

Due to higher prices for fruits, vegetables and dairy products, it has become nearly impossible for poor people in Asia and the Pacific to achieve healthy diets, the affordability of which is critical to ensure food security and nutrition for all – and for mothers and children in particular.

**Food prices and available incomes govern household decisions on food and dietary intake. But the outbreak of COVID-19 and a lack of decent work opportunities in many parts of the region, alongside significant uncertainty of food systems and markets, has led to a worsening of inequality, as poorer families with dwindling incomes further alter their diets to choose cheaper, less nutritious foods.**

### *Making nutritious foods affordable and accessible*

More than 350 million people in the Asia and the Pacific were undernourished in 2019, or roughly half of the global total. Across the region, an estimated 74.5 million children under 5 years of age were stunted (too short for their age) and 31.5 million suffered from wasting (too thin for height). The majority of these children live in Southern Asia with nearly 56 million stunted and more than 25 million wasted. At the same time, overweight and obesity has increased rapidly, especially in South-Eastern Asia and the Pacific, with an estimated 14.5 million children under 5, being overweight or obese.

Poor diets and inadequate nutritional intake is an ongoing problem. The cost of a healthy diet is significantly higher than that of a diet that provides sufficient calories but lacks in nutritional value, showing significant gaps in the food system to deliver nutritious options to all at an affordable price.

These costs are even greater for women and children, given their added nutritional needs. The report calls for a transformation of food systems in Asia and the Pacific, with an aim to increase the affordability of, and families' access to, nutritious, safe, and sustainable diets. Nutritious and healthy diets need to be accessible to everyone, everywhere. To ensure that happens, the report recommends integrated approaches and policies are needed. These steps are vital to overcome unaffordability issues, and also to ensure healthy maternal and child diets...

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### **Global Burden of Animal Diseases**

**Launch of the multi-year, multi-partner Global Burden of Animal Diseases programme**  
***Animal health leaders and researchers from the Global Burden of Animal Diseases (GBADs) programme have secured US\$7 million from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and UK's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, to rollout a framework on measuring animal health burdens and their impacts on human lives and economies. The information provided by GBADs will guide public policy and private sector strategy, contributing to improve animal health and welfare more effectively. It will also be a basis for further academic research.***

Paris, 19 January 2021 - Across the world, livestock production and aquaculture are critical to human nutrition and health. These animals play critical roles in society, providing income and food, but also clothing, building materials, fertilizer and draught power. However, the presence of endemic and emerging diseases, as well as other factors, negatively impact them, jeopardising their contributions.

**Every year, hundreds of millions of dollars are invested globally on disease mitigation in order to improve livestock health and productivity. Yet, a systematic way to determine the burden of animal disease on the health and wellbeing of people is not available. It is still unknown how the burden is apportioned between smallholders and the commercial sector, or across regions and gender. Consequently, decision makers lack the information to accurately assess whether their investments target the animal health issues that have the most significant impact on human wellbeing...**

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## COVID – COVAX

### COVAX announces new agreement, plans for first deliveries

*:: COVAX announced the signing of an advance purchase agreement for up to 40 million doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine; rollout to commence with successful execution of supply agreements*

*:: Additionally, COVAX announced that, pending WHO emergency use listings, nearly 150 million doses of the AstraZeneca/Oxford candidate are anticipated to be available in Q1 2021, via existing agreements with the Serum Institute of India (SII) and AstraZeneca*

*:: COVAX is therefore on track to deliver at least 2 billion doses by the end of the year, including at least 1.3 billion doses to 92 lower income economies in the Gavi COVAX AMC*

*:: [Click here](#) for the latest COVAX supply forecast*

*[Editor's text-bolding]*

Geneva/Oslo 22 January 2021 – COVAX, the global initiative to ensure rapid and equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines for all countries, regardless of income level, today announced the signing of an **advance purchase agreement with Pfizer for up to 40 million doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine candidate**, which has already received WHO Emergency Use Listing. Rollout will commence with the successful negotiation and execution of supply agreements.

In further support of its mission to expedite early availability of vaccines to lower-income countries and help bring a rapid end to the acute stage of the COVID-19 pandemic, COVAX also confirmed today that **it will exercise an option – via an existing agreement with Serum Institute of India (SII) – to receive its first 100 million doses of the AstraZeneca/Oxford University-developed vaccine manufactured by SII.**

**Of these first 100 million doses, the majority are earmarked for delivery in the first quarter of the year, pending WHO Emergency Use Listing.** The WHO review process, which is currently underway, follows approval for restricted use in emergency situations by the Drugs Controller General of India earlier this month, and is a critical aspect of ensuring that any vaccine procured through COVAX is fully quality assured. According to the latest WHO update, a decision on this vaccine candidate is anticipated in the middle of February at the earliest...

### ***Supply update***

COVAX now has agreements in place to access just over two billion doses of several promising vaccine candidates. Negotiations continue for further doses to be secured through existing R&D agreements by COVAX co-lead the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI), through evaluations of new products with promising results and through contributions from donors.

Based on this, COVAX anticipates being able to provide participating economies doses of safe and effective vaccines – enough to protect health care and other frontline workers as well as some high-risk individuals – beginning in Q1 2021. **The aim is to protect at least 20% of each participating population by the end of the year – unless a participant has requested a lower percentage of doses. At least 1.3 billion of these doses will be made available to the 92 economies eligible for the Gavi COVAX AMC by the end of 2021...**



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## **Coronavirus [COVID-19] - WHO**

*Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)*

### ***Weekly Epidemiological and Operational updates***

Last update: 23 January 2021

**Confirmed cases** :: 96 877 399 [week ago: 92 506 811] [two weeks ago: 87 589 206]

**Confirmed deaths** :: 2 098 879 [week ago: 2 001 773] [two weeks ago: 1 906 606]

**Countries, areas or territories with cases** :: 224

19 January 2021

### **Weekly epidemiological update - 19 January 2021**

Globally, 4.7 million new cases were reported in the past week, a decline of 6% from last week, and the number of new deaths has climbed to a record high at 93 000, a 9% increase from last week. This brings the cumulative numbers to over 93 million reported cases and over 2 million deaths globally since the start of the pandemic.

In this edition of the COVID-19 Weekly Epidemiological Update, special focus updates are provided on: Children, COVID-19, and transmission in schools, as well as on SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern.

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## **Emergencies**

### **POLIO**

*Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)*

### **Polio this week as of 20 January 2021**

:: The 148<sup>th</sup> session of the Executive Board (EB) is currently underway with Member States meeting virtually to discuss the most pressing global health issues including COVID-19 and Polio. The EB reports on both polio eradication and on polio transition planning/post-certification are available [here](#) under "148 Executive Board". These reports will help inform the discussions on polio eradication by Member States.

### ***Summary of new WPV and cVDPV viruses this week (AFP cases and ES positives):***

:: **Pakistan:** 10 WPV1 and three cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

:: **Afghanistan:** 15 cVDPV2 cases and two cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

:: **Burkina Faso:** one cVDPV2 case

:: **Chad:** four CVDPV2 cases

:: **Guinea:** three cVDPV2 cases

:: **Sudan:** four cVDPV2 cases

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***Editor's Note:***

Continuing with this edition, we include information about the last apparent update evident on the WHO emergency country webpages, recognizing almost universal and significant interims between such updates regardless of the level of the emergency listed.

### **WHO Grade 3 Emergencies** [to 23 Jan 2021]

Democratic Republic of the Congo - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 12 Jan 2021]*

Mozambique floods - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 3 November 2020]*

Nigeria - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 29 Jun 2020]*

Somalia - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 17 July 2020]*

South Sudan - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 4 February 2020]*

Syrian Arab Republic - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 24 October 2020]*

Yemen - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 30 June 2020]*

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### **WHO Grade 2 Emergencies** [to 23 Jan 2021]

Afghanistan - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 5 July 2020]*

Angola - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 03 December 2020]*

Burkina Faso - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 17 décembre 2020]*

Burundi - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 04 July 2019]*

Cameroon - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 22 August 2019]*

Central African Republic - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 12 June 2018]*

Ethiopia - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 22 August 2019]*

Iran floods 2019 - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 12 March 2020]*

Iraq - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 16 December 2020]*

Libya - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 7 October 2019]*

Malawi Floods - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 09 October 2019]*

Measles in Europe - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 16-12-2020]*

MERS-CoV - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 8 July 2019]*

Mozambique - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 03 November 2020]*

Myanmar - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: :: 3 January 2021]*

Niger - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 29 December 2020]*

occupied Palestinian territory - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 4 September 2019]*

HIV in Pakistan - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 27 August 2019]*

Sao Tome and Principe Necrotizing Cellulitis (2017) - *No new digest announcements*

Sudan - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 24 June 2020]*

Ukraine - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 1 May 2019]*

Zimbabwe - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 10 May 2019]*

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### **WHO Grade 1 Emergencies** [to 23 Jan 2021]

Chad - No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 30 June 2018]  
Djibouti - No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 25 novembre 2020]  
Kenya - No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 11 December 2020]  
Mali - No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 3 May 2017]  
Namibia - viral hepatitis - No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 20 July 2018]  
Tanzania - No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 21 October 2020]

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### **UN OCHA – L3 Emergencies**

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

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

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

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

#### **COVID-19**

:: Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19): Weekly Epidemiological Update (17 January 2021)

### **East Africa Locust Infestation**

:: Desert Locust situation update - 22 January 2021

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### **:: Agency/Government/IGO Watch**

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

### **United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly**

[to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Meetings/Press Releases/Announcements*

22 January 2021

SG/SM/20550

**Secretary-General Welcomes Entry into Force of First Global Nuclear Treaty in Decades, Praises Survivors' Testimony as Driving 'Moral Force'**



21 January 2021

GA/12310

**[Calling for Greater Efforts to Promote Culture of Tolerance, General Assembly Adopts Resolution Condemning Offences against Religious Sites](#)**

Calling for greater efforts to promote a culture of tolerance and peace at all levels, the General Assembly adopted a resolution today inviting the Secretary-General to convene a global conference aimed at advancing the United Nations Plan of Action to Safeguard Religious Sites, involving Governments, political figures, religious leaders, civil society and the media, among other stakeholders.

20 January 2021

SG/SM/20547

**[Welcoming 'Positive Steps' of New United States Administration to Support Migrants, Refugees, Secretary-General Stresses Strong Partnership Needed More Than Ever](#)**

20 January 2021

SG/SM/20545

**[Welcoming United States Move to Re-Enter Paris Agreement, Secretary-General Calls for Ambitious Targets, Accelerated Efforts towards Net-Zero Emissions](#)**

20 January 2021

SG/SM/20546

**[Secretary-General Welcomes United States Re-engagement with World Health Organization, Stressing Critical Need for Global Anti-COVID-19 Solidarity](#)**

**UN OHCHR** Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Top News*

**[Press briefing notes on Sudan - Darfur](#)**

**[Press briefing notes on Haiti](#)**

**[Egypt's targeting of human rights defenders must stop, says UN expert](#)**

**[COVID-19: Equitable vaccine access for all, including migrants, is crucial, say UN Special Rapporteurs](#)**

**[Russia: UN experts laud courage of Alexei Navalny, call for immediate release](#)**

**United Nations Human Rights Council** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Council News*

**[Human Rights Council Universal Periodic Review Working Group to hold thirty-seventh session in Geneva from 18 to 29 January 2021](#)**

13/01/2021

**Committee on the Rights of the Child** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest News*

**Committee on the rights of the child opens online limited eighty-sixth session**

18 January 2021

**Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**SRSG/CAAC** Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*Website not responding at inquiry*

**SRSG/SVC** Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 23 Jan 2021]

<http://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/>

21 January, 2021

**United Nations Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict, Ms. Pramila Patten, urges all parties to prohibit the use of sexual violence and cease hostilities in the Tigray region of Ethiopia**

21 January, 2021

**Remarks of SRSG Pramila Patten, High-level opening segment Prevention and Response to CRSV: NATO Policy Development Workshop**

**Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Special Rapporteur on the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest News*

**COVID-19: Equitable vaccine access for all, including migrants, is crucial, say UN Special Rapporteurs**

22 January 2021

**[UN expert says global coordination and more equitable sharing of COVID-19 vaccines key to recovery](#)**

22 January 2021

**Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<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 23 Jan 2021]

<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 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases*

24 January 2021

**[Ten years of war in Syria, more than half of children continue to be deprived of education \[EN/AR\]](#)**

20 January 2021

**[Alarming disruption of Bangui's main supply chain](#)**

**Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**UNICEF** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Press releases, Statements*

*Press release*

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**[COVAX announces new agreement, plans for first deliveries](#)**

*[See Week in Review above for detail]*

*Statement*

01/22/2021

**Remarks by Henrietta Fore, UNICEF Executive Director, at press briefing on COVAX**

As delivered

*Press release*

01/22/2021

**Participation, education, digital access and climate change are key concerns for children and young people in Africa and Europe, U-Report poll finds**

Half of young people feel excluded from political decision-making

*Press release*

01/22/2021

**Central African Republic: Surge in violence and displacement threatens thousands of children already affected by humanitarian crisis and COVID-19**

UNICEF warns that armed conflict could lead to higher rates of malnutrition and violations of children's rights

*Statement*

01/22/2021

**Ten children killed and seven injured in recent wave of violence in West Darfur, Sudan**

Statement by Abdullah Fadil, UNICEF Representative in Sudan

*Press release*

01/20/2021

**UN agencies warn economic impact of COVID-19 and worsening inequalities will fuel malnutrition for billions in Asia and the Pacific — FAO-UNICEF-WFP-WHO**

Child and maternal diets particularly vulnerable

*[See Week in Review above for detail]*

**UNHCR** Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Announcements*

**Over 100,000 displaced by resurgence of violence in Sudan's Darfur region**

22 Jan 2021

**Grim milestone as Sahel violence displaces 2 million inside their countries**

22 Jan 2021

**IOM, UNHCR: Shipwreck off Libya claims over 40 Lives**

20 Jan 2021

**Statement from the High Commissioner on the Biden inauguration**

20 Jan 2021

**UNHCR finds dire need in Eritrean refugee camps cut off in Tigray conflict**

19 Jan 2021

**IOM / International Organization for Migration** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Announcements*

**IOM Commends United States' Inclusion of Migrants in COVID-19 Vaccine Roll-out**

2021-01-22 17:58

Geneva – The International Organization for Migration (IOM) welcomes the inclusion of migrants in the new US Administration's national strategy for COVID-19 response and its commitment "to ensuring that safe, effective, cost-free vaccines are available to the entire U.S.

**Amid 2020 Pandemic IOM Supported Over 2,500 migrants with Voluntary Return from Greece**

2021-01-19 14:00

Athens – The International Organization for Migration (IOM) supported the voluntary return of some 2,565 people from Greece to their home countries in 2020, in coordination with the Greek authorities and respective countries' diplomatic representatives.

**UNAIDS** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements*

12 January 2021

**Vulnerability mapping to help sex workers in Bangladesh and Myanmar**

11 January 2021

**Attaining UNAIDS' proposed societal and legal barrier targets could stop 440 000 AIDS-related deaths**

**WHO & Regional Offices** [to 23 Jan 2021]

**Weekly Epidemiological Record, Vol. 96, No. 03, pp. 13–20** 22 January 2021

:: Report of the Meeting of the WHO Global Advisory Committee on Vaccine Safety (GACVS), 1–3 December 2020

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**WHO Regional Offices**

*Selected Press Releases, Announcements*

**WHO African Region AFRO**

:: Seven things to know about COVID-19 variants in Africa 22 January 2021

New COVID-19 variants have emerged in Africa as the continent records a new peak in infections. While virus mutations are not unusual, those that are more infectious are worrisome. Professor Francisca Mutapi, Professor in Global Health Infection and Immunity, University of Edinburgh, explains the implications of SARS-CoV-2 variants and what African countries can do to respond.

**WHO Region of the Americas PAHO**

*No new digest content identified*

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

*No new digest content identified*

## **WHO European Region EURO**

:: Scaling up telemedicine services in Romania post COVID-19 19-01-2021

:: New WHO report: population-based screening for cardiovascular disease risk factors does not reduce CVD mortality 19-01-2021

:: Reaching Turkey's health policy goals could avert thousands of deaths says research from WHO/Europe 19-01-2021

:: Family physicians' crucial role in mental health 18-01-2021

:: Universal health coverage high on the political agenda during the Regional Director's visit to Georgia 18-01-2021

## **WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO**

:: Afghanistan commences first polio vaccination campaign of 2021 18 January 2021

:: WHO and KSRelief continue fight against child malnutrition in Yemen 18 January 2021

## **WHO Western Pacific Region**

:: 19 January 2021 | *Feature story*

WHO and DHL team up to get health-care equipment to the Pacific

Delivering supplies to Pacific islands during a global pandemic is no easy task. Reduced flight schedules and other logistical challenges mean that shipments of life-saving goods must be carefully coordinated to ensure that Pacific islanders receive vital health-care equipment.

:: 18 December 2020 | *News release*

WHO and EU join together to support COVID-19 response and systems strengthening in Asia

This week, the World Health Organization (WHO) and the European Union (EU) agreed to join forces to support eight South East Asian countries in their response to COVID-19 and to strengthen preparedness for future pandemics.

:: 17 December 2020 | *News release*

From containment to suppression: WHO and Lancet COVID-19 Commission highlight lessons from the Western Pacific Region

Professor Jeffrey D. Sachs, Dr Takeshi Kasai and expert panellists across Asia and the Pacific explored lessons from coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) suppression at a forum jointly hosted today by the Lancet COVID-19 Commission and the World Health Organization (WHO).

## **World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://www.oie.int/en/for-the-media/press-releases/2021/>

*Press Releases*

### **Launch of the multi-year, multi-partner Global Burden of Animal Diseases programme**

Animal health leaders and researchers from the Global Burden of Animal Diseases (GBADs) programme have secured US\$7 million from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and UK's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office, to rollout a framework on measuring animal health burdens and their impacts on human lives and economies. The information provided by GBADs will guide public policy and private sector strategy, contributing to improve animal health and welfare more effectively. It will also be a basis for further academic research.

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**UNFPA** United Nations Population Fund [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Meetings and events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**UNDP** United Nations Development Programme [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest from News Centre*

*No new digest content identified.*

**UN Division for Sustainable Development** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

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

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

*Meetings and events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**UNEP** United Nations Environment Programme [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**UNDRR** UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest news*

*Press Releases* 18 January 2021

**COVID-19: "immunity is not the privilege of the few but the right of all"**

The UN Secretary-General's Special Representative for Disaster Risk Reduction, Mami Mizutori, today called for increased support to developing countries struggling to manage the COVID-19 pandemic which has claimed two million lives over the last twelve months...

**UN DESA** United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

21 Jan 2021 | DESA

**Global Champions Announced for UN High-level Dialogue on Energy**

Seventeen Member States have been announced as Global Champions for the UN High-level Dialogue on Energy, a summit-level meeting to take place in September 2021, convened by the UN Secretary-General.

**UNESCO** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Latest News*

**[A tribute to the late Professor Folarin Olawale Shyllon, who fought for over 50 years against illicit trafficking of cultural property](#)**

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**International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS)** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Announcements*

*No new digest content identified.*

**UNODC** United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**UN-HABITAT** United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 23 Jan 2021]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

*News & Stories*

*No new digest content identified.*

**FAO** Food & Agriculture Organization [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**World Food Programme** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News releases*

20 January 2021

**[The United Nations is deeply concerned by the worsening humanitarian crisis and escalating violence forcing thousands to flee in Cabo Delgado province](#)**

Johannesburg - Escalating conflict and a deteriorating humanitarian situation in Cabo Delgado has left communities completely reliant on humanitarian assistance. According to the Government, attacks by non-state groups have forced more than 565,000 people to flee their homes and villages, abandoning their crops and livelihoods.

20 January 2021



**UN agencies warn economic impact of COVID-19 and worsening inequalities will fuel malnutrition for billions in Asia and the Pacific. Child and maternal diets particularly vulnerable**

Bangkok, Thailand – The economic impact of COVID-19 on the world's most populous region is threatening to further undermine efforts to improve diets and nutrition of nearly two billion people in Asia and the Pacific who were already unable to afford healthy diets prior to the pandemic, says a new report published today by four specialized agencies of the United Nations.

19 January 2021

**EU funding helps WFP address hunger challenges in Mozambique**

MAPUTO – A combined total of €7.6 million in funding from the European Union (EU) is helping the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) address the growing food needs in Mozambique driven by climate change, insecurity, displacement and the socio-economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, while also strengthening national capacity to respond to natural disasters.

**ILO** International Labour Organization [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

*Video*

**'Action pledges' needed to end child labour**

21 January 2021

Representatives from governments, worker and employer organizations, international agencies and civil society outlined how they intend to eradicate child labour by 2025, at a virtual event to launch the International Year for the Elimination of Child Labour.

*Voices*

**Child labour in Myanmar's jade mines is a deadly gamble**

21 January 2021

Min Min is 13 and scavenges for scraps of jade stone in northern Myanmar, "the land of jade". It's a hazardous undertaking. In 2020 nearly 200 people died from a mudslide at a nearby mining site. Read his story on our new Voices multimedia platform.

*Press release*

**ILO and LinkedIn launch data insights partnership**

21 January 2021

The International Labour Organization (ILO), the Partnership for Action on Green Economy (PAGE) and LinkedIn have launched a two-year partnership.

*Forced labour*

**Chile ratifies the Protocol to Convention No. 29, reaffirming its commitment to fight against forced labour**

20 January 2021

Chile ratified the ILO Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930 . With the culmination of this process, Chile becomes the second country in South America to take on the challenge of moving forward to become a country free of forced labour.

*Ship to Shore Rights*

### **Decent work for fishing and seafood migrant workers in Asia Pacific**

20 January 2021

European Union and United Nations continue efforts to support safe labour migration and decent work in the fishing and seafood processing sectors in South East Asia

*Voices*

### **Diversity is the best ingredient**

18 January 2021

The Argentinian celebrity chef, Paola Carosella, explains why she joined the ILO's "Kitchen and Voice" project, which helps marginalized and vulnerable people in Brazil find work in the hospitality sector.

**ICAO** International Civil Aviation Organization [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest News*

### **ICAO updates Global Tourism Crisis Committee on latest vaccine and testing developments in air transport**

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**IMO** International Maritime Organization [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest Press Briefings*

*No new digest content identified.*

**WMO** World Meteorological Organization [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**UPU** Universal Postal Union [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://www.upu.int/en/News-Media/Press/Press-Releases>

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**UNIDO** United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**International Organization for Standardization** (ISO) [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

By Clare Naden on 19 January 2021

### **Improving confidence in laboratory results**

The latest in the series of standards for method validation has just been published.

[SO 16140-3](#), Microbiology of the food chain – Method validation – Part 3: Protocol for the verification of reference methods and validated alternative methods in a single laboratory, provides the procedures and acceptance criteria for implementing test methods in a laboratory. It is designed to help food and feed testing laboratories, test kit manufacturers, competent authorities, and food and feed business operators to implement microbiological methods in their laboratories.

**UNWTO** World Tourism Organization [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

*All Regions*

### **Global Tourism Crisis Committee Meets Again to Explore Safe Travel in Age of Vaccines**

21 Jan 2021

*[See Week in Review above for detail]*

*All Regions*

### **Secretary-General Pololikashvili Nominated to Lead UNWTO for Four More Years**

19 Jan 2021

**WIPO** World Intellectual Property Organization [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**CBD** Convention on Biological Diversity [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Announcements*

### **0.01.2021 // 2021-007 United Nations Food Systems Summit 2021**

### **19.01.2021 How business can act as a force for good**

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**USAID** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases, Statements, Announcements*

### **USAID and IDB Announce \$2.4 Million in Awards to Prevent Gender-Based Violence and Offer Venezuelans Opportunities in Entrepreneurship and Education**

January 19, 2021

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) announced \$2.4 million for nine new awards under the BetterTogether/JuntosEsMejor Challenge to benefit Venezuelans in the Argentine Republic; the Co-operative Republic of Guyana; the Republics of Chile, Panamá, Perú, and Trinidad and Tobago; and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

**Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office** [nee DFID] [to 23 Jan 2021]  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office>  
*Selected Press Releases. Announcements*

**Detention of peaceful protesters in Russia: UK statement**

UK concerned by detention of peaceful protesters in Russia and urges Russian government to respect international human rights commitments.  
Updated: 23 January 2021

**Ensuring humanitarian access and a political solution to end crises in Syria**

Statement by Ambassador Jonathan Allen at the Security Council briefing on Syria  
Updated: 20 January 2021

**ECHO** [to 23 Jan 2021]  
<http://ec.europa.eu/echo/en/news>  
*Latest News*

**Coronavirus: EU delivers personal protective equipment to North Macedonia and Mongolia**  
22/01/2021

Following a request for assistance from North Macedonia and Mongolia, Czechia and France are sending personal protective equipment to help in the fight against the coronavirus pandemic. Czechia sent 126,000 masks and 5,000 overalls to North...

**Water and Beyond: EU transformative approaches for international partnerships**  
18/01/2021

Today marked the opening session of the high-level event 'Water and Beyond – EU transformative approaches for international partnerships', co-hosted by the European Commission Directorate-General for International Partnerships (DG INTPA – formerly...

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**African Union** [to 23 Jan 2021]  
<http://www.au.int/>  
*[We generally limit coverage to regional and global level initiatives, recognizing that a number of Social Press releases*

**U-Report: Participation, education, digital access & climate change key concerns**

January 22, 2021  
Half of young people feel excluded from political decision-making

**COVID -19, Reforms and Elections at centre of discussion at 41st Session of PRC**  
January 20, 2021

**Digitalisation of economic sectors will kick-start growth cycle after COVID-19**  
January 19, 2021

**6th PIDA Week Opens Virtually to Discuss Infrastructure Development**  
January 19, 2021

**ASEAN** Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Secretariat News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**European Commission** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest*

*Statement* 20 January 2021

[\*\*Joint Statement by Executive Vice-President Frans Timmermans and High Representative/Vice-President Josep Borrell on the United States re-joining the Paris Agreement\*\*](#)

*Press release* 19 January 2021

[\*\*Commission sets out key actions for a united front to beat COVID-19\*\*](#)

Two days ahead of the meeting of European leaders on a coordinated response to the COVID-19 crisis, the Commission set out a number of actions needed to step up the fight against the pandemic.

*Speech* 18 January 2021

[\*\*Opening remarks by Commissioner Ferreira at the joint press conference with Commissioner Gabriel on the launch of the New European Bauhaus\*\*](#)

*Press release* 18 January 2021

[\*\*New European Bauhaus: Commission launches design phase\*\*](#)

Today, the Commission launched the design phase of the New European Bauhaus initiative, announced by President von der Leyen in her 2020 State of the Union address.

*[See Week in Review above for detail]*

**OECD** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Top Stories*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Organization of American States (OAS)** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

[\*\*Honduras Assumes Chair of the Inter American Council for Integral Development of the OAS\*\*](#)

January 22, 2021

**Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases*

### **OIC condemns roundly Israeli decision to build 2572 more settlement units**

The General Secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) condemned the Israeli occupation authorities' decision to invite contractor bids to build 2572 new unlawful colonial settlement units on the pre-1967 occupied Palestinian territories, including Al-Quds city. The OIC General Secretariat considered the decision a continuous breach, by the Israeli occupation power, of international law and relevant UN resolutions, and a brazen affront to the international community will....

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### **OIC's 2021 Cultural Season Kicks off with a Lecture on Higher Education and COVID-19**

Dr. Haifa Jamal Al-Lail, the President of the Effat University in Jeddah, gave a virtual lecture at the General Secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), entitled "Higher Education and COVID-19: Opportunities and Challenges" on January 19, 2021....

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### **Group of 77** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest Statements and Speeches*

[Address by His Excellency Mr. Mamadi Toure, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Guineans Living Abroad, at the Handover Ceremony of the Chairmanship of the Group of 77 \(New York, 18 January 2021\)](#)

[Statement by His Excellency Hugh Todd, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana at the Handover Ceremony of the Chairmanship of the Group of 77 \(New York, 18 January 2021\)](#)

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### **UNCTAD** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://unctad.org/media-centre>

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **World Customs Organization – WCO** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest News – Selected Items*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **WTO - World Trade Organisation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*WTO News and Events*

**DDG Wolff stresses need to make progress in WTO negotiations to enhance resilience of farm sector**

22 January 2021

Addressing agriculture ministers at the Global Forum for Food and Agriculture in Berlin on 22 January, Deputy Director-General Alan Wolff highlighted the resilience of agricultural production and

trade in the face of the COVID-19 crisis. The pandemic has underlined the need for policymakers to adhere to some key principles, including open markets, and transparency, he said. Moreover, agriculture ministers must “work closely with their trade counterparts to advance the WTO negotiations” to create a level playing field that will help the agricultural sector to meet current and future challenges in an effective and sustainable manner. He welcomed the pledge this week of WTO members accounting for most of world agricultural exports to refrain from imposing export restrictions on foodstuffs purchased by the World Food Programme for non-commercial humanitarian purposes. Here are DDG Wolff’s remarks:

### **Group of members issue joint pledge on humanitarian food purchases**

21 January 2021

A group of nearly 80 WTO members issued a joint statement on 21 January pledging not to impose export restrictions on foodstuffs purchased by the UN’s World Food Programme (WFP) for humanitarian aid.

*[See Week in Review above for detail]*

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### **IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press releases*

22/01/2021

### **IPU calls for fair and equitable access to COVID-19 vaccination**

*Statements*

The IPU and the parliamentary community call on governments to give fair and equitable access to COVID-19 vaccination through support for COVAX, the only global mechanism to distribute vaccines equitably across the world...

22/01/2021

### **IPU Statement on Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons**

*News in brief*

18/01/2021

### **Six ways MPs can support a green recovery from COVID-19**

*Statements*

### **International Court of Justice** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **International Criminal Court (ICC)** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

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**World Bank** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected News, Announcements*

**[Urgent, Effective Action Required to Quell the Impact of COVID-19 on Education Worldwide](#)**

Sutil, who lives in a remote village in West Kalimantan, Indonesia (the world's 4th most populous country), has found educating his child during COVID-19 to be a monumental challenge. As a farmer...

Date: January 22, 2021 Type: Immersive Story

**[Digitalizing the Maritime Sector Set To Boost the Competitiveness and Resilience of Global Trade](#)**

Joint report by the World Bank and IAPH to assist ports and maritime transport community accelerate digitalization and minimize ship-shore human interaction and COVID-19 risks. WASHINGTON, January...

Date: January 21, 2021 Type: Press Release

**[Accelerating Digitalization Across the Maritime Supply Chain](#)**

Download the full World Bank-IAPH report: Accelerating Digitalization Across the Maritime Supply Chain Maritime transport is the backbone of the global economy. The sector carries over 90% of global...

Date: January 21, 2021 Type: Publication

**[Reskilling and Labour Migration Vital to the Pacific's Economic Recovery](#)**

New World Bank study examines the pandemic's impacts on Pacific labour markets while underscoring regional opportunities and policy responses SYDNEY, January 18, 2021 – While the Pacific and Papua New...

Date: January 18, 2021 Type: Press Release L

**IMF** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News, Announcements*

*No new digest content identified.*

**African Development Bank Group** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

**[U.K Africa Investment Summit: Renewable energy critical driver of Africa's post-COVID-19 growth recovery and economic prosperity, Panel says](#)**

21-Jan-2021 - L-R : Wale Shonibare, Director, Energy Financial Solutions, Policy and Regulation African Development Bank Group, Zlatina Loudjeva Director, Infrastructure and Development PwC Renewable energy will be a critical driver of Africa's post-COVID-19 growth recovery and economic prosperity, panelists in a 2021 UK Africa Investment Summit event said Wednesday, as they called for a stronger partnership between the United Kingdom and Africa.



### **African Development Bank, European Investment Bank sign Joint Partnership Action Plan to fast-track development in Africa**

20-Jan-2021 - The African Development Bank (AfDB) and the European Investment Bank (EIB) today signed a joint partnership action plan highlighting their strengthened cooperation and mutual development priorities and a strong shared emphasis on boosting public and private sector investment in Africa. The Joint Action Plan enables both institutions to grow a shared pipeline of bankable projects around key complementary themes to which each institution would bring their comparative advantage.

### **Asian Development Bank** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

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

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### **ADB Appoints Suzanne Gaboury as Director General for Private Sector Operations**

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has appointed Ms. Suzanne Gaboury as Director General of its Private Sector Operations Department. Ms. Gaboury, who assumed office in early January, is the first woman to lead the department...

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### **Skills Development Vital to Enabling Transition to Industry 4.0 in Southeast Asia — ADB Study**

Countries in Southeast Asia should consider developing industry transformation maps in key sectors to enable the transition to the 4th industrial revolution, according to a new ADB study.

### **Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<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, Jan. 18, 2021

### **AIIB President Jin Liqun Appoints Alberto Ninio ...**

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) President Jin Liqun announced that Alberto Ninio has been appointed as the Bank's General Counsel effective Jan. 18, 2021.

### **IFAD** International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

News

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### **Help small-scale farmers adapt to climate change or face increased hunger and migration, warns IFAD President**

### **Islamic Development Bank** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

News

*No new digest content identified.*

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### **:: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch**

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

#### **Action Contre la Faim – Action Against Hunger** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

*Communiqués de presse*

*Climat*

#### **Une agriculture durable pour lutter contre la Faim dans le monde**

Posté le 21 janvier 2021

La crise climatique que le monde traverse ces dernières décennies s'accroît. Les pays du sud sont les plus durement touchés par le réchauffement climatique qui menace chaque jour un nombre croissant de personnes. Sécheresse, inondation, tempête, ces phénomènes climatiques s'amplifient et sont une des causes de la faim dans le monde.

#### **Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA)** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*PRESS RELEASES*

*No new digest content identified.*

#### **Amref Health Africa** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

#### **Aravind Eye Care System** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://aravind.org/>

*Aravind News*

*No new digest content identified.*

#### **Blue Shield International** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://theblueshield.org/category/bsi-news/>

*BSI News*

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### **Obituary for Nancy Wilkie**

Today we share the very sad news that Nancy Wilkie died yesterday after a long battle with cancer. Nancy was one of the founders of the USA's national committee of the Blue Shield and served as Secretary from 2006-2013 and as President from 2013-2020. Nancy was an elected member of the Interim Board of Blue [...]

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### **This year the Blue Shield is 25!**

About our Anniversary! On 6 June 1996, Patrick Boylan (International Council of Museums – ICOM), Dinu Bumbaru (International Council on Monuments and Sites – ICOMOS), George Mackenzie (International Council on Archives – ICA) and Marie-Therese Varlamoff (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions – IFLA) concluded and signed a permanent cooperation agreement on behalf of their [...]

### **BRAC** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **Clubhouse International** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News/Events*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **Danish Refugee Council** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://drc.ngo/>

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **ECPAT** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News from ECPAT*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **Fountain House** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **GE2P2 Global** [to 23 Jan 2021]

*A foundation/501[c]3 and a public benefit corporation focused on advancing ethical and scientific rigor in research and evidence generation – informing governance, policy and practice*

[www.ge2p2.org](http://www.ge2p2.org)

*News/Analysis/Statements/Webinars*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Humanity & Inclusion** [nee Handicap International] [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Heifer International** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports*

*No new digest content identified.*

**HelpAge International** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports*

*No new digest content identified.*

**ICRC** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports*

**[TPNW entry into force marks the beginning of the end of nuclear weapons](#)**

As delivered by ICRC President Peter Maurer Excellencies, distinguished colleagues, ladies and gentlemen, Today is the day we have been waiting for.

22-01-2021 | Statement

**[Op Ed: Nuclear weapons are finally outlawed; next step is disarmament](#)**

Robert Mardini about the entry into force of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

22-01-2021 | Article

**[The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement celebrates the entry into force of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons](#)**

The International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement celebrates the entry into force of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons

21-01-2021 | News release

**[Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons](#)**

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) is the first globally applicable multilateral agreement to comprehensively prohibit nuclear weapons.

18-01-2021 | Legal factsheet

**IFRC** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases, Announcements*

*No new digest content identified.*

**International Medical Corps (IMC)** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Updates / Alerts*

*No new digest content identified.*

**IRC International Rescue Committee** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Media highlights [Selected]*

*Press Release*

**[New IRC report: Nine ways Biden can help 235 million of world's most vulnerable, restoring "soul of America," and advancing US interests](#)**

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*Press Release*

**[The IRC applauds the Biden Administration's measures on Day One to restore US humanity and leadership; urges action on refugee resettlement](#)**

January 20, 2021

**IRCT** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://irct.org/>

*Latest News*

*News* 22 Jan 2021

**[UN calls on Lebanon to act against torture](#)**

*News* 20 Jan 2021

**[IFEG & IRCT presents webinar session: Prison Monitoring - Practices and Tools for Achieving Progress](#)**

**Islamic Relief Worldwide** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest News*

**[Yemen: 22 aid agencies make unprecedented and united call for Biden administration to revoke Ansar Allah terrorist designation](#)**

Published: 24 January, 2021

**[Helping communities in Indonesia rebuild their lives and prepare for future disasters](#)**

Published: 22 January, 2021

**[Flooded families in Syria receive shelter, blankets and food from Islamic Relief](#)**

Published: 21 January, 2021

**[How Islamic Relief is responding to Mali's overlooked humanitarian crisis](#)**

Published: 20 January, 2021

**[Islamic Relief provides lifeline in aftermath of devastating Indonesia earthquake](#)**

Published: 19 January, 2021

**Landsea** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Medecins du Monde** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Mercy Corps** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News Releases & Alerts*

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**[News Alert: Mercy Corps Responding to Indonesian Earthquake as COVID-19 Concerns Rise](#)**

Following the recent 6.2 magnitude earthquake that killed at least 73 people in West Sulawesi, Indonesia, global...

**MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

Latest [Selected Announcements]

*Rohingya refugee crisis*

**[Relocations, reduced services leave Rohingya communities at breaking point in Bangladesh](#)**

Project Update 21 Jan 2021

*Brazil*

**[COVID-19 leaves Amazonas health system saturated, overloaded and struggling](#)**

Project Update 21 Jan 2021

*South Sudan*

**[Falling international funding exposes communities in Jonglei to a lack of healthcare](#)**

Project Update 19 Jan 2021

*Yemen*

**[Yemen: "These sanctions have to make clear that they do not apply to humanitarian aid"](#)**

Interview 18 Jan 2021

**Operation Smile** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<http://www.operationssmile.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 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected News/Announcements*

**Conflict compounded by Covid-19 and climate change pushes millions in Tigray to the brink - Oxfam**

22 January 2021

The conflict in Tigray compounded by climate-fueled locust infestations and coronavirus has left millions of people in desperate need of humanitarian aid yet access to those affected continues to be restricted, warned Oxfam today.

**Oxfam warns of COVID-19 risks in camps following Indonesian earthquake**

18 January 2021

Oxfam warned today of the risk of an outbreak of coronavirus in the over-crowded camps where people are sheltering following Friday's earthquake in Sulawesi, Indonesia.

**Norwegian Refugee Council** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest news*

*Global/Syria* | 22. Jan 2021

**Appointment: NRC Secretary General Jan Egeland to chair UN advisory panel on Syria**

Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) Jan Egeland has been appointed Chair of an Independent Senior Advisory Panel on humanitarian deconfliction in the Syrian Arab Republic by UN Secretary General António Guterres.

*Global* | 20. Jan 2021

**Corporate partnership: NRC and Twilio offer lifeline to displaced during pandemic**

The Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) has teamed up with Twilio, the leading cloud communications platform, to improve communication and information access for thousands of refugees and displaced people throughout the pandemic.

*USA/Yemen* | 18. Jan 2021

**Effective tomorrow 19 January 2021: US sanctions on Yemen will fuel the flames of war and starvation for millions**

Statement by the Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council, Jan Egeland:

**Pact** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Partners In Health** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

**Q&A: Why the United States Needs a New Public Health Workforce**

PIH and key partners are building a campaign to advocate for the U.S. government to build a larger workforce to help stop COVID-19, strengthen the economy, and build equitable public health systems across the nation.

January 22, 2021

**Video: PIH Staff Reflect On Justice In Health Care**

PIH staff reflect on what justice in health care means to them in their communities around the world, from Peru to Malawi.

January 21, 2021

**In Rural Mexico, Clinicians Deliver Lifesaving Care Amid Fast-Moving Pandemic**

As the fight against COVID-19 continues in Chiapas, Mexico, clinicians are leveraging their expertise and experience to respond with compassionate care, applying lessons learned over the past several months.

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**PATH** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Plan International/BORNEfonden** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Save The Children** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

21 January 2021 - *Mexico*

**Save the Children 'deeply worried' about 1,400 children in migrant caravan fleeing poverty, violence and climate impacts**

21 January 2021 - *Sudan*

**Sudan: calls for an end to violence in Darfur as death toll reaches 200, including children and three aid workers**



21 January 2021 - *South Sudan*

**[Save the Children welcomes decline in violations against children in South Sudan](#)**

19 January 2021 - *Syria*

**[North West Syria: Severe floods as country marks nearly 10 years of conflict](#)**

19 January 2021 - *Afghanistan*

**[Revealed: 10 million Afghan children need life-saving help](#)**

**Tostan** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<http://www.tostan.org>

*News/Events*

**[248 communities abandoned FGC in Mali](#)**

Jan 19, 2021

Congratulation to Tostan Mali -- 248 communities abandoned Female Genital Cutting during a public declaration on Sunday, December 27, 2020, in the villages of Farakoro and Kèrèla.

**Women for Women International** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Blogs & Updates*

January 23, 2021

**[The Power of Connection – Messages of Hope from Iraq](#)**

*Article*

*Iraq*

**World Vision** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<http://wvi.org/>

*Newsroom*

**[World Vision responds to WHO chief's warning of a "catastrophic moral failure" in the glob...](#)**

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**Electronic Frontiers Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

[https://www EFF.org/updates?type=press\\_release](https://www EFF.org/updates?type=press_release)

*No new digest content identified.*

**Freedom House** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://freedomhouse.org/>

*Latest Updates*

**[In His Own Words: How Biden Can Revive Global Democracy](#)**

*Perspectives*

January 20, 2021

## **Amid COVID-19 Pandemic, Internet Freedom Is Under Attack in The Middle East and North Africa**

*Perspectives*

January 19, 2021

**Human Rights Watch** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Featured Commentary, Announcements, Statements*

January 22, 2021

### **Russia: Crackdown Ahead of Pro-Navalny Protests**

Russian authorities are harassing, intimidating, and detaining activists and students ahead of protests planned for January 23, 2021 in solidarity with the detained opposition leader Alexey Navalny, Human Rights Watch said today. Russian authorities also ordered social media companies to take down all posts calling for people to participate in protests, threatening hefty fines for failure to comply.

[\*Russian Authorities Jail Poisoned Putin Critic\*](#)

*Europe/Central Asia* January 22, 2021

Dispatches

### **Ukraine Police Break up Peaceful Protest Against Far-Right Violence**

[Yulia Gorbunova](#)

Senior Researcher, Ukraine, Russia

*Asia* January 21, 2021

Report

### **China: Tibetan Monk Dies from Beating in Custody**

*United States* January 13, 2021

News Release

### **Biden Should Cement Rights in US Policy**

**Transparency International** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press*

### **Daphne Caruana Galizia Foundation joins Transparency International Movement as official Malta representative**

Transparency International is pleased to announce that the Daphne Caruana Galizia Foundation has become the global anti-corruption coalition's National Contact Point in Malta. Until now, Malta was...  
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### **Transparency International Russia statement on Alexey Navalny**

Over the past 24 hours, the attention of Russia and international community has been focused on the return of the head of the Anti-Corruption Foundation, Alexey Navalny, to Russia. During his stay in...

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**ChildFund Alliance** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

*News/ Statements*

*No new digest content identified.*

**CONCORD** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<http://concordeurope.org/>

*Latest News and Events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**The Elders** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://theelders.org/news-insight>

*Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements*

*News*

**[The Elders explore hope, leadership and the COVID-19 recovery in a new series of the Finding Humanity podcast](#)**

22 January 2021

As the new US President Joe Biden calls for unity in tackling the cascading crises of our era, The Elders embark on a new podcast series looking at the leadership needed to meet the challenges ahead.

*Statement*

**[The Elders welcome US re-engagement on climate, WHO; call for renewed commitment on nuclear threat](#)**

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The Elders today welcomed the decisions by newly-inaugurated US President Joe Biden to rejoin the Paris Agreement on climate change and cease the process of withdrawal from the World Health Organization.

*Opinion*

**[A global fossil fuel registry is key to governments taking urgent climate action](#)**

19 Jan 2021

Ricardo Lagos calls for greater transparency and accountability from governments to deliver a coordinated, international approach to reducing fossil fuel production. Published in El Pais.

**Evidence Aid** [to 23 Jan 2021]

*Evidence Aid aims to save lives and livelihoods in disasters by providing decision-makers with the best available evidence and by championing its use.*

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

*New Resources*

**[Tocilizumab and COVID-19 \(search up to 23 July 2020\) Added January 22, 2021](#)**

**[Drugs that upregulate or downregulate ACE2 in COVID-19 patients \(search up to 1 April 2020\) Added January 22, 2021](#)**

[School-based measures and the COVID-19 pandemic \(search done on 8 October 2020\)](#)  
Added January 22, 2021

[Care bundles for COVID-19 patients in intensive care \(search done on 26 October 2020\)](#)  
Added January 22, 2021

[Aerosol generating procedures and COVID-19 \(multiple reviews\)](#) Added January 18, 2021

**Gavi** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News releases*

[COVAX announces new agreement, plans for first deliveries](#)

22 Jan 2021

*[See Week in Review above for detail]*

**Getty Conservation Institute** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Global Fund** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Hilton Prize Coalition** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Website not responding at inquiry*

**ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

*Latest resources, events, content*

[NGO Consultations - Africa- Climate and Environment Charter for Humanitarian Organisations](#)

January 27, 2021 - 10:00am to 11:00am

Online

[NGO Consultations- Africa French- Climate and Environment Charter for Humanitarian Organisations](#)

January 27, 2021 - 12:00pm to 1:00pm

Online

**NGO Consultations- LATAM - Climate and Environment Charter for Humanitarian Organisations**

January 28, 2021 - 5:00pm to 6:00pm  
Online

**InterAction** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest Updates*

*Prevention of Sexual Exploitation, Abuse, and Harassment*

**"We Didn't Realize the Harm We Were Doing"**

[Kirsten Mullin](#) | Jan 24, 2021

*Humanitarian Coordination*

**NGO Coordination Structures and the Localization Debate**

[Rachel Unkovic](#) | Jan 22, 2021

*Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict*

**Announcing the Winners of the 2020 Results-Based Protection Good Practice Contest**

InterAction | Jan 22, 2021

*Crises & Countries in Conflict*

**Statement Calling on the U.S. Government to Immediately Revoke Foreign Terrorist Designation on Ansar Allah in Yemen**

InterAction | Jan 19, 2021

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**3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Publications/Events/Blogs*

**Demand-driven evidence: Putting the Philippines government in the driver's seat**

Conferences 18 - 19 February 2021 Online

As part of the program, we have supported evaluations of interventions implemented by the Philippine Department of Labor and Employment, the Department of Social Welfare and Development and a series of judicial reforms undertaken by the Supreme Court.

**CHS Alliance** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

*Our Impact*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Development Initiatives** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

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**Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP)** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News/Blog/Events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Disasters Emergency Committee** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*LATEST PRESS RELEASES*

*No new digest content identified.*

**EHLRA/R2HC/HIF** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies** [nee CERAH] – [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://humanitarianstudies.ch/>

*News/Events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Groupe URD** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Publications, Events, News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**International Humanitarian Studies Association** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://ihsa.info/>

*Weekly humanitarian blog posts selection*

**The politics of Covid-19 strategies**

Selection#40 (11th-17th January)

This week we have blog posts on a wide range of topics. The politics of Covid strategies is one; who gets the vaccine, and how to get messages across when mistrust in government is high. Innovation and technology are relatively new topics this week; with the selection including a blog on the obstacles of innovation in humanitarian programmes, and the dangers of misuse of biometrics. More regular themes include localisation and decolonisation: arguing that decolonisation discussions are frequently western-centric and that corruption can be seen as an excuse for not localising aid.

Finally, we have a number of posts on refugees; on flaws in the refugee compact, the crisis amongst asylum-seekers in the Balkans and the need for long-term solutions.

**INEE** – an international network for education in emergencies [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://inee.org/>

*News*

**Investing in Learning: the Case for Strengthening the Collection and Use of Learning Assessment Data in EiE Contexts**

Published by Inter-agency Network for Education in Emergencies (INEE)

Authored by Catherine Johnston and Andrea Costa

Published 26 January 2021

*Policy Document*

This policy paper is for EiE sector donors, both in humanitarian and protracted crisis contexts, national governments and humanitarian and development agencies. It provides guidance on how to increase and improve the measurement of holistic learning outcomes for crisis-affected learners.

The paper builds on two extensive mapping reports commissioned by the Quality and Equitable Learning Outcomes (QELO) work stream within INEE's Education Policy Working Group. The mapping reports examined academic and social and emotional learning assessment guidance documents, tools and program approaches and their applicability in measuring learning outcomes in EiE contexts.

**Navigating Education Data for Internally Displaced Persons**

Published by Inter-agency Network for Education in Emergencies (INEE), USAID

Published 21 January 2021

*Presentation*

This webinar shared the results of a study to help further our understanding of what the existing IDP educational data landscape looks like. More detailed findings are presented in the forthcoming resource, "Mapping the Ecosystem of Education Data for Internally Displaced Persons in the Middle East and Beyond: Issues, Challenges, and Recommendations".

**Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP)** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://phap.org/>

*Association news, events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Sphere** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

**Teaching others about Sphere: The journey of four new trainers in Burkina Faso**

20 January 2021 | Sphere

Every year, a committed group of some 120 Sphere trainers across 50 countries is responsible for spreading knowledge of Sphere standards among field practitioners, policymakers and government officials around the world, advocating for...

**Start Network** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News and Blog*

*No new digest content identified.*



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## **Brookings**

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

*Accessed 23 Jan 2021*

*Latest Research/Events*

*Coronavirus (COVID-19)*

### **[Policy and institutional responses to COVID-19: New Zealand](#)**

Paul Dyer

Sunday, January 24, 2021

*Report*

### **[Gender-based violence in primary schools: Jamaica](#)**

Dasmine Kennedy

Friday, January 22, 2021

*U.S. Economy*

### **[How a new National Recovery Investment Corps can drive a bottom-up, inclusive economic recovery](#)**

Mary Jean Ryan and Alan Berube

Friday, January 22, 2021

*U.S. Politics & Government*

### **[Tracking President Joe Biden's Cabinet and appointees](#)**

Kathryn Dunn Tenpas

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*Technology & Innovation*

### **[6 developments that will define AI governance in 2021](#)**

Alex Engler

Thursday, January 21, 2021

## **Center for Global Development** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Publications, News and Events*

*No new digest content identified.*

## **CSIS** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Reports*

*Report*

### **[CSIS European Trilateral Track 2 Nuclear Dialogues](#)**

January 22, 2021 | [Rebecca Hersman](#) In 2020, the European Trilateral Track 2 Nuclear Dialogues convened senior nuclear policy experts from the United Kingdom, France, and the United States to discuss nuclear deterrence, arms control, and nonproliferation issues and identify areas of consensus among the P3.

*Report*

**[Toward a Brazil–U.S. Binational Institution](#)**

January 21, 2021 | [Daniel F. Runde](#), [Arianna Kohan](#) A binational institution for Brazil and the United States would foster stronger ties between the two countries at the micro and macro levels, from local organizations and primary schools to universities and federal governments.

**Rand** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://www.rand.org/pubs.html>

*Selected Research Reports/Journal Articles*

*Report*

**[Telehealth After COVID-19: Clarifying Policy Goals for a Way Forward](#)**

The use of telehealth has increased during the COVID-19 pandemic. What role can telehealth play in a post-pandemic world? The authors of this Perspective discuss how the ongoing use of telehealth services could affect the realization of policy goals.

Jan 22, 2021

Lori Uscher-Pines, Monique Martineau

*Journal Article*

**[More "Boarding" Facilities Geolocated in Southern Xinjiang](#)**

We identified 21 preschools that house Uyghur children in Qira County, Xinjiang using satellite imagery. These facilities are part of Beijing's efforts to assimilate Uyghurs by erasing their culture to a Communist Party ideal that has been compared to genocide.

Jan 22, 2021

Edmund J. Burke

*Report*

**[Paediatric Early Warning Systems: a scoping study: Lessons from a rapid review](#)**

This report shares findings from a rapid review of the evidence on the use of Paediatric Early Warning (PEW) scores and systems in UK healthcare settings, to help staff to identify clinical deterioration and facilitate early intervention.

Jan 22, 2021

Sarah Ball, Sarah Parkinson, Sonja Marjanovic

*Journal Article*

**[ADAPT Study: Adaptation of Evidence-Informed Complex Population Health Interventions for Implementation And/Or Re-Evaluation in New Contexts: Protocol for a Delphi Consensus Exercise to Develop Guidance](#)**

A Delphi consensus exercise to gather expert opinion on the adaptation, implementation and re-evaluation of complex population health interventions in new contexts.

Jan 22, 2021

Mhairi Campbell, Graham Moore, Rhiannon E. Evans, Dmitry Khodyakov, Peter Craig

*Journal Article*

**[The Effect of Mandatory Insurer Reporting on Settlement Delay](#)**

This article examines this problem empirically, using a rich, national data set of closed automobile bodily injury claims.

Jan 22, 2021  
Paul Heaton

*Journal Article*

**[Penalties and Rewards for Safety Net Vs Non-Safety Net Hospitals in the First 2 Years of the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement Model](#)**

We assessed whether safety net hospitals, which serve vulnerable patients, were more likely to be penalized and less likely to receive rewards compared with non-safety net hospitals that serve few vulnerable patients.

Jan 22, 2021

Caroline P. Thirukumaran, Laurent G. Glance, Xueya Cai, Yeunkyung Kim, Yue Li

*Journal Article*

**[Population-Based Analysis of Firearm Injuries Among Young Children in the United States, 2010–2015](#)**

This study compares the survival of children younger than five years to children and adolescents of age 5–19 years who presented to an ED for gunshot wounds, to test the hypothesis of higher GSW mortality in very young children.

Jan 22, 2021

Alan Cook, David W. Hosmer, Laurent G. Glance, Bindu Kalesan, Jordan Weinberg, Amelia Rogers, Susan Schultz, Timothy Gilligan, Brian W. Gross, Tawnya Vernon, Jeanette Ward, Turner M. Osler, Frederick Bolles Rogers

*Journal Article*

**[Measuring Childbirth Outcomes Using Administrative and Birth Certificate Data](#)**

The aim of this study was to develop a risk-adjusted composite measure of severe maternal morbidity and severe newborn morbidity based on administrative and birth certificate data.

Jan 22, 2021

Laurent G. Glance, Steve Hasley, Christopher Glantz, Timothy P. Stevens, Eric Faden, Melissa A. Kreso, Sonia G. Pyne, Richard Wissler, Jennifer Fichter, Marjorie S. Gloff, Andrew W. Dick

*Report*

**[Implementing Restraint: Changes in U.S. Regional Security Policies to Operationalize a Realist Grand Strategy of Restraint](#)**

Under a realist grand strategy of restraint, the United States would cooperate more with other powers, reduce its forward military presence, and end some security commitments. The authors identify unanswered questions about such a strategy.

Jan 21, 2021

Miranda Priebe, Bryan Rooney, Nathan Beauchamp-Mustafaga, Jeffrey Martini, Stephanie Pezard

*Report*

**[Identifying Systemic Bias in the Acquisition of Machine Learning Decision Aids for Law Enforcement Applications](#)**

This Perspective describes ways the U.S. Department of Homeland Security can identify and address bias in law enforcement systems that use machine learning and how to prevent such bias at various points in the process of acquiring such systems.

Jan 21, 2021

Douglas Yeung, Inez Khan, Nidhi Kalra, Osonde A. Osoba

*Report*

**[Evaluation of Delaware's Opportunity Funding and Student Success Block Grant Programs: Early Implementation](#)**

The authors examine the 2019-2020 implementation of two newly expanded Delaware weighted education funding programs, the Opportunity Fund and Student Success Block Grant, and emerging best practices, as reported by local education agency leaders.

Jan 21, 2021

Sy Doan, Heather L. Schwartz, Daniella Henry, Lynn A. Karoly

*Report*

**[Regional Responses to U.S.-China Competition in the Indo-Pacific: Indonesia](#)**

In this report, the author examines whether and how the United States can increase its cooperation with Indonesia in order to manage China's rise as a strategic competitor to the United States in the Indo-Pacific region.

Jan 21, 2021

Jonah Blank

*Journal Article*

**[Performance Of Safety-Net Hospitals In Year 1 Of The Comprehensive Care For Joint Replacement Model](#)**

This article finds safety-net hospitals were less likely to receive rewards in year one of the Comprehensive Care for Joint Replacement model because of their quality and spending performance.

Jan 21, 2021

Caroline P. Thirukumaran, Laurent G. Glance, Xueya Cai, Rishi Balkissoon, Addisu Mesfin, Yue Li

*Journal Article*

**[Impact of Medicare's Nonpayment Program on Venous Thromboembolism Following Hip and Knee Replacements](#)**

This article determines whether Medicare's Nonpayment Program was associated with decline in venous thromboembolism following hip and knee replacements, and whether the decline was greater among hospitals at risk of larger financial losses from the Program.

Jan 21, 2021

Caroline P. Thirukumaran, Laurent G. Glance, Meredith B. Rosenthal, Helena Temkin-Greener, Rishi Balkissoon, Addisu Mesfin, Yue Li

*Journal Article*

**[Injury Scoring: Then, Now, and Into the 21st Century](#)**

In this essay we review the recent history of injury outcome prediction and suggest how the future may play out.

Jan 21, 2021

Turner M. Osler, Laurent G. Glance, Jeffery S. Buzas, David W. Hosmer

*Journal Article*

**[Empty Lots, Green Spaces, and a Parking Lot: What Happened to the Demolished Uyghur Cemeteries?](#)**

This methodology seeks to build upon previous research efforts and help other researchers understand the outcomes of Chinese policies related to Uyghur communities.

Jan 20, 2021  
Katherine Pfrommer

*Tool*

**[Measuring Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Effectiveness at the United States Central Command: Data Visualization Tool Documentation](#)**

The authors used Tableau to create a visualization tool that allows U.S. Central Command (CENTCOM) to display the performance and effectiveness of its support to intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) roles, sub-roles, and activities.

Jan 20, 2021

Amanda Wicker, Sasha Romanosky, Cortney Weinbaum, Bradley Knopp, David Luckey

*Report*

**[Measuring Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance Effectiveness at the United States Central Command](#)**

The authors developed a repeatable process to measure the effectiveness of U.S. Central Command intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance operations; evaluate current performance; and plan for, influence, and resource future operations.

Jan 20, 2021

David Luckey, Bradley Knopp, Sasha Romanosky, Amanda Wicker, David Stebbins, Cortney Weinbaum, Sunny D. Bhatt, Hilary Reininger, Yousuf Abdelfatah, Sarah Heintz

*Report*

**[Australia's Third Action Plan of the National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and Their Children, Priority Area 2: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Women and Their Children — Final Report](#)**

The authors discuss their evaluation of the Australian government's Third Action Plan of the National Plan to Reduce Violence Against Women and Their Children, designed to address family violence in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Jan 20, 2021

Meagan Cahill, Ryan Andrew Brown, Garrett Baker, Dionne Barnes-Proby, Hannah Sandrini

*Journal Article*

**[Methodological Challenges and Proposed Solutions for Evaluating Opioid Policy Effectiveness](#)**

In this paper, we provide an overview of methodological challenges facing opioid policy researchers when conducting opioid policy evaluation studies using observational data, as well as some potential solutions to those challenges.

Jan 20, 2021

Megan S. Schuler, Beth Ann Griffin, Magdalena Cerdá, Emma E. McGinty, Elizabeth A. Stuart

*Journal Article*

**[Variation in Readmission Rates Among Hospitals Following Admission for Traumatic Injury](#)**

We wished to determine if hospitals differed in their adjusted readmission rates following an index hospital admission for traumatic injury.

Jan 20, 2021

Turner M. Osler, Dekang Yuan, Jeremy Holden, Zihao Huang, Alan Cook, Laurent G. Glance, Jeffery S. Buzas, David W. Hosmer

*Journal Article*

**[Impact of the Choice of Risk Model for Identifying Low-risk Patients Using the 2014 American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Perioperative Guidelines](#)**

The aim of this study is to determine how often three risk-prediction tools agree on the classification of patients as low risk (less than 1%) of major adverse cardiac event.

Jan 20, 2021

Laurent G. Glance, Eric Faden, Richard P. Dutton, Stewart J. Lustik, Yue Li, Michael P. Eaton, Andrew W. Dick

*Journal Article*

**[Variability in Case Durations for Common Surgical Procedures](#)**

This is an exploratory study to quantify the facility-level variation in surgical case duration for common surgeries.

Jan 20, 2021

Laurent G. Glance, Richard P. Dutton, Changyong Feng, Yue Li, Stewart J. Lustik, Andrew W. Dick

*Brochure*

**[RAND's Impact: 2020 Year in Review](#)**

The RAND Corporation's mission is to help improve policy and decisionmaking through research and analysis; this Year in Review reflects on RAND's achievements in 2020.

Jan 19, 2021

Michael D. Rich

*Research Brief*

**[Modernizing Officer Career Management: Analyzing Eleven Issues](#)**

The authors examine 11 issues related to modernizing officer career management; these involve statutory, policy, cultural, and fiscal constraints. They offer service perspectives on these constraints and present mitigation strategies.

Jan 19, 2021

Albert A. Robbert, Caitlin Lee, William H., II Waggy, Katherine L. Kidder, Natasha Lander, Agnes Gereben Schaefer

*Research Brief*

**["Muddling Through": The Revolutionary Potential of Evolutionary Officer Management Reform](#)**

The authors examine why the services embraced the fiscal year 2019 National Defense Authorization Act reforms after rejecting the Force of the Future reforms.

Jan 19, 2021

Albert A. Robbert, Caitlin Lee, William H., II Waggy, Katherine L. Kidder, Natasha Lander, Agnes Gereben Schaefer

*Report*

**[Wellcome Sanger Institute and Wellcome Genome Campus Landscape Review](#)**

RAND Europe was commissioned by Wellcome to analyse the role and contribution of the Sanger Institute and the Wellcome Genome Campus within the field of genetics and genomics, set within the context of four comparator organisations.

Jan 19, 2021

Sarah Parkinson, Joe Francombe, Cagla Stevenson, Hamish Evans, Advait Deshpande, Susan Guthrie

*Report*

**[Media Literacy Standards to Counter Truth Decay](#)**

Truth Decay is the diminishing role that facts, data, and analysis play in political and civic discourse. This report, part of a series, synthesizes existing media literacy-related standards into one concise set, specific to curtailing Truth Decay.

Jan 19, 2021

Alice Huguet, Garrett Baker, Laura S. Hamilton, John F. Pane

*Report*

**[Can Artificial Intelligence Help Improve Air Force Talent Management? An Exploratory Application](#)**

In this report, RAND researchers explore an application of artificial intelligence that would enable the U.S. Air Force to leverage existing data for improved human resource management policies and practices.

Jan 19, 2021

David Schulker, Nelson Lim, Luke J. Matthews, Geoffrey E. Grimm, Anthony Lawrence, Perry Shameem Firoz

*Report*

**[Officer Career Management: Additional Steps Toward Modernization](#)**

The authors identify useful steps toward modernization of officer career management in the military, examine constraints on reforms, and propose mitigating strategies and ways forward.

Jan 19, 2021

Albert A. Robbert, Caitlin Lee, William H., II Waggy, Katherine L. Kidder, Natasha Lander, Agnes Gereben Schaefer

*Report*

**[Compensation and Benefits for Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics \(STEM\) Workers: A Comparison of the Federal Government and the Private Sector](#)**

The authors compare salary, benefits, and employment for federal and private-sector workers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). They analyze data, present findings on STEM and non-STEM workers, and make recommendations.

Jan 19, 2021

Kathryn A. Edwards, Maria McColleston, Brian Phillips, Hannah Acheson-Field, Isabel Leamon, Noah Johnson, Maria C. Lytell

*Journal Article*

**[Comparing the Effects of Academy Training Models on Recruit Competence: Does Curriculum Instruction Type Matter?](#)**

The purpose of this paper is to determine if a police academy using adult learning techniques instills higher levels of perceived competence in recruits than an academy using traditional pedagogical methods.

Jan 19, 2021

Richard H. Donohue, Nathan E. Kruis



**RoRI [Research on Research Institute]** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<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*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Alan Turing Institute**

<https://www.turing.ac.uk/news>

*News, Research, Events*

*Site not responding at inquiry*

**Unitaid** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://unitaid.org/>

*Featured News*

22 January 2021

**Cost of rapid COVID-19 tests halved as global investment ensures availability of high volumes for low- and middle-income countries**

:: Over 250 million antigen rapid tests (Ag RDTs) every year to be made available for low- and middle-income countries for a unit price of less than US\$2.50, thanks to set of new agreements, the first of which with Premier Medical Corporation (PMC) of India who will provide up to 120 million tests

:: Agreements follow an open call for Expressions of Interest (EOI), launched last year by FIND and Unitaid on behalf of the Access to COVID-19 Tools (ACT) Accelerator, to drive equitable access to fit-for-purpose Ag RDTs for COVID-19

:: Further announcements focused on technology transfer and scale up of regional manufacturing capacity expected in the coming weeks

**Urban Institute** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Publications*

**Conducting Prison Research with a Racial-Equity Frame**

The history of slavery in America shapes the experience of incarceration for Black people and must therefore inform strategies to remediate institutional harms. This brief sets forth guiding values and recommendations for grounding prison research in principles of racial equity. These values are intended to help researchers more accurately capture and measure racial biases, and design and conduct research that

[Cassandra Ramdath](#)

January 22, 2021

Brief

**Graphical Overview of State TANF Policies as of July 2019**

If a family needs help covering their expenses during a period of financial hardship, will they qualify for temporary cash assistance? If so, how much assistance can they receive each month, and for how long can they receive it? The answers to these questions depend not only on the family's circumstances but also on where they live. The primary program that provides cash aid to families in need is called

[Katie Shantz](#), [Ilham Dehry](#), [Sarah Knowles](#), [Sarah Minton](#), [Linda Giannarelli](#)

January 22, 2021

Brief

### **Welfare Rules Databook: State TANF Policies as of July 2019**

The Welfare Rules Databook provides tables containing key Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) policies for each state as of July 2019, as well as longitudinal tables describing selected state policies from 1996 through 2019. The tables are based on the information in the Welfare Rules Database (WRD), a publicly available, online database tracking state cash assistance policies over time and across the

[Katie Shantz](#), [Ilham Dehry](#), [Sarah Knowles](#), [Sarah Minton](#), [Linda Giannarelli](#)

January 22, 2021

Research Report

### **The Future of Headship and Homeownership**

Homeownership is a critical wealth-building tool, but not everyone has the same opportunities to become a homeowner. To create a more equitable and sustainable housing landscape, policymakers, thought leaders, and changemakers need to understand the trajectory of the homeownership rate—where it has been, where it is going, who it has benefitted, and who it has left behind. To better understand this trajectory,

[Laurie Goodman](#), [Jun Zhu](#)

January 21, 2021

Research Report

### **Using Research to Improve Health and Health Care in US Correctional Facilities**

To implement policies and practices that foster positive health outcomes and fulfill the US government's constitutional obligation to provide adequate health care to people who are incarcerated, researchers and practitioners must understand their health needs and the nature and quality of the care they receive. This brief provides an overview of what is known about health and health care in correctional settings

[Alexandra Kurland](#)

January 19, 2021

Brief

### **How Should Policymakers Apportion School Funding Postpandemic?**

With declines in enrollment and attendance, increases in student poverty, and potential reductions in state revenue, policymakers are facing a perfect storm of uncertainty in apportioning K–12 education funding. State policymakers typically use prior-year enrollment numbers or average daily attendance to allocate funding proportional to the number of students a school serves. In most states, these funding

[Kristin Blagg](#), [Emily Gutierrez](#), [Victoria Lee](#)

January 19, 2021

Fact Sheet

### **Evaluation of Rising Up**

The City of San Francisco launched the Rising Up campaign in 2018 to address the homelessness crisis among young people. On any given night, more than 1,000 people ages 18 to 24 were experiencing homelessness, and three out of four were sleeping outside. Rising Up's goal is to halve homelessness

among this population by 2023 by providing rapid re-housing and by preventing homelessness through problem-solving

[Amanda Gold](#), [Matthew Gerken](#), [Abigail Williams](#), [Samantha Batko](#)

January 19, 2021

Research Report

### **Arts Workers in California**

As the economy transforms, more workers find themselves working as independent contractors outside traditional employment structures, without access to social insurance programs and worker protections. Arts workers have been particularly affected by the sector's reliance on nonstandard work arrangements and by misclassification. By focusing on California, which is at the forefront of misclassification, this

[Jenny R. Yang](#), [Amanda Briggs](#), [Jessica Shakesprere](#), [Natalie Spievack](#), [Shayne Spaulding](#), [Steven Brown](#)

January 19, 2021

Research Report

### **Estimating Current-Law Health Care Spending of Medicare Advantage Enrollees for Use in Microsimulation Modeling of Medicare Policies**

Medicare Advantage (MA) accounted for 34 percent of Medicare program spending in 2019.

Microsimulation modeling of Medicare policy reforms requires estimates of spending for all Medicare enrollees, but quality spending data for MA enrollees are not generally available. In this methods brief, we describe the approach we use in the MCARE-SIM model to estimate MA program spending and out-of-pocket spending by MA

[Adele Shartzter](#), [Bowen Garrett](#), [Diane Arnos](#), [Jessica Banthin](#), [Anuj Gangopadhyaya](#)

January 19, 2021

Research Report

### **How COVID-19-Induced Changes to K-12 Enrollment and Poverty Might Affect School Funding**

With declines in enrollment and attendance, increases in student poverty, and potential reductions in state revenue, policymakers are facing a perfect storm of uncertainty in apportioning K–12 education funding. State policymakers typically use prior-year enrollment numbers or average daily attendance to allocate funding proportional to the number of students a school serves. In most states, these funding

[Kristin Blagg](#), [Emily Gutierrez](#), [Victoria Lee](#)

January 19, 2021

Research Report

### **Housing Recovery and CDBG-DR**

The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) commissioned the Urban Institute to (1) describe completion times across housing recovery activities funded by the Community Development Block Grants for Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR); (2) identify factors that contribute to variances in those times; and (3) provide guidance to support grantees in reducing potential lags and improving program launch

[Carlos Martín](#), [Brandi Gilbert](#), [Daniel Teles](#), [Brett Theodos](#)

January 19, 2021

Research Report

**The Wistar Institute** [to 23 Jan 2021]  
<https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases>  
*Press Releases*

Jan. 21, 2021

**Wistar Scientists Make Pivotal Discovery on the Mechanism of Epstein-Barr Virus Latent Infection**

A previously unknown enzymatic function of the EBNA1 viral protein might instruct new approaches for EBV-associated cancer.

**World Economic Forum** [to 23 Jan 2021]  
<https://agenda.weforum.org/news/>  
*Media*

**Majority Optimistic About Tech in 2021, But Health, Jobs and Environment Top Personal Risk List**

News 22 Jan 2021

**Supply Chains Decarbonization Offers Game-Changing Opportunity for Companies to Fight Climate Change**

News 21 Jan 2021

**Shared Future: Government and Business Leaders Release Guidance for Strengthening Global Cooperation**

News 21 Jan 2021

*[See Week in Review for detail]*

**"Driving Growth Using 'Practical Wisdom': Japan's Perspectives" in recovery from the Pandemic**

News 21 Jan 2021

**The World Needs to Wake Up to Long-Term Risks**

News 19 Jan 2021

*[See Week in Review for detail]*

**World Economic Forum Announces 2021 Crystal Award Winners**

News 18 Jan 2021

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

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

**Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://alleninstitute.org/what-we-do/frontiers-group/news-press/>  
*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**BMGF - Gates Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Blue Meridian Partners** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<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 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Clinton Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Co Impact** [to 23 Jan 2021]

[www.co-impact.io](http://www.co-impact.io)

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Ford Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://www.fordfoundation.org/press-room/>  
*The Latest*

*No new digest content identified.*

**J. Paul Getty Trust** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<http://news.getty.edu/>  
*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**GHIT Fund** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*GHIT was set up in 2012 with the aim of developing new tools to tackle infectious diseases that*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Grameen Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**William and Flora Hewlett Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Latest Updates*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Conrad N. Hilton Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**IKEA Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Stories*

**[Investors can influence climate action for the better](#)**

It's about time people realise that their own investments and savings can make a difference in fighting climate change. The key to that is being well-informed, which can be achieved...

January 21, 2021

**HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Room*

*Research* Jan 21 2021

**[SARS-CoV-2 Needs Cholesterol to Invade Cells and Form Mega Cells](#)**

People taking cholesterol-lowering drugs may fare better than others if they catch the novel coronavirus. A new study hints at why: the virus relies on the fatty molecule to get past the cell's protective membrane.

**Kaiser Family Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News Releases*

January 22, 2021 *News Release*

**[New Resources Track State Vaccinations by Race/Ethnicity and Examine Demographics of Health Workers](#)**

A new Policy Watch, Early State Vaccination Data Raise Warning Flags for Racial Equity, explores the latest state-reported data on vaccination by race/ethnicity available on KFF's COVID-19 state data and policy tracker. As of January 19, 2021, 17 states were reporting some vaccination data by race/ethnicity, including 16 states reporting...

January 22, 2021 *News Release*

**[Nearly 6 in 10 Older Americans Don't Know When or Where They Can Get a COVID-19 Vaccine; Black and Hispanic Adults among the Groups Least Likely to Have Enough Information](#)**

Despite Optimism about COVID-19 Vaccines in the Future, Half Say They are Frustrated with the Current Situation and Nearly a Quarter are Angry While older Americans are a high-priority group for getting a COVID-19 vaccine, the latest KFF COVID-19 Vaccine Monitor report finds that, among those who have not yet been vaccinated,...

**Kellogg Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Selected Announcements*

**[National Day of Racial Healing takes digital stage for fifth anniversary](#)**

*Yara Shahidi, Storm Reid, Ta-Nehisi Coates and John Legend, Among Speakers on Racial Healing, Equity and Justice.*

Jan. 19, 2021

Battle Creek, MI -- Today, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation hosted the fifth annual National Day of Racial Healing, a virtual afternoon of music, conversation and solidarity featuring community leaders, advocates, artists and influencers engaging in essential and timely discussions of racial healing, equity and justice...

**Aga Khan Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**MacArthur Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News, Events, What We're Learning*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Andrew W. Mellon Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://mellon.org/>

*Mellon News, Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*



**Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

**Upcoming funding opportunities in health care**

January 22, 2021

The Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation's Diagnostic Excellence Initiative recently announced a third funding opportunity soliciting novel ideas and approaches for developing new clinical quality measures to improve diagnosis, specifically targeting three major categories of disease: acute vascular events (such as stroke and myocardial infarction), infections (such as sepsis and pneumonia) and cancer (such as lung and colorectal). Successfully funded proposals will form our third cohort of grantees in this area. The first and second cohorts are currently hard at work on their varied and promising projects.

**Open Society Foundations** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Newsroom*

*No new digest content identified.*

**David and Lucile Packard Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Pew Charitable Trusts** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases & Statements*

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**Pew Applauds Executive Order Restoring Flood Resilience Standard for America's Communities**

*Biden administration action ensures taxpayer-funded projects will be built to withstand future flooding*

**Rockefeller Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

**Eight Awardees Announced as Part of \$10 Million data.org Inclusive Growth and Recovery Challenge**

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*Funding and support from data.org will facilitate data-driven projects for social impact around the world*

New York, NY (January 19, 2021) – Today, data.org announced the eight global awardees of the \$10 million Inclusive Growth and Recovery Challenge. Launched in partnership with the Mastercard Center

for [Inclusive Growth](#) and [The Rockefeller Foundation](#), the Challenge will tackle society's greatest challenges by harnessing the power of data science to help people and communities thrive.

Winning projects from around the world include the use of AI to increase credit access for female entrepreneurs, data models to track how internet connectivity disproportionately impacts low-income communities in Chicago, and an open-source quality of life map index to highlight where investment is needed most, among others...

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html>

*Latest News and Highlights*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Science Philanthropy Alliance** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**SDGFunders** [to 23 Jan 2021]

<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 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Wellcome Trust** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*News*

*Explainer | 22 January 2021*

**[When will the world be vaccinated against Covid-19?](#)**

...Current estimates are that it will probably take well into 2023-24 for everyone who needs a vaccine to receive one(opens in a new tab)....

*Explainer* | 22 January 2021

**Principles and guidelines for reporting on Covid-19 vaccines**

*Explainer* | 22 January 2021

**What are 'adverse events' and 'emergency use authorisation' in relation to vaccination?**

*Explainer* | 21 January 2021

**How have Covid-19 vaccines been made quickly and safely?**

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**Candid** [formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar] [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Press Room*

**Candid launches global Community Philanthropy Directory**

*Alliance Magazine*, 18 January 2021

Candid has launched the Community Philanthropy Directory, a free database that maps the global field of community philanthropy. Candid hopes that the directory, which was launched in December, will raise the visibility of community philanthropy organisations and facilitate new relationships among practitioners looking to connect with and learn from their peers around the world.

**Council on Foundations** [to 23 Jan 2021]

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

*Newsroom/Blog Posts*

*No new digest content identified.*

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***:: Journal Watch***

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

**AJOB Empirical Bioethics**

Volume 12, 2020 Issue 1

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

**AMA Journal of Ethics**

Volume 23, Number 1: E1-81 Jan 2021

<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/legacies-holocaust-health-care>

***Legacies of the Holocaust in Health Care***

Health professionals' involvement in atrocities of the Holocaust has influenced bioethics in critical ways. From abortion to xeno-transplantation, deliberation on almost every ethics topic in health care today—genetics, informed consent, public health, military and civilian health policy and practice, death and dying, human subjects research, and refugee care—is influenced by Nazi medical crimes. This theme issue is devoted to orienting and reorienting contemporary bioethics to legacies of this tragic history. [Reviewed earlier]

**American Journal of Infection Control**

January 2021 Volume 49 Issue 1 p1-136

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

[Reviewed earlier]

**American Journal of Preventive Medicine**

January 2021 Volume 60 Issue 1 p1-150

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

[Reviewed earlier]

**American Journal of Public Health**

February 2021 111(2)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

**American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene**

Volume 104, Issue 1, January 2021

<http://www.ajtmh.org/content/journals/14761645/104/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

**Annals of Internal Medicine**

January 2021 Volume 174, Issue 1

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

*Original Research*

**[A Health Opportunity Cost Threshold for Cost-Effectiveness Analysis in the United States](#)**

David J. Vanness, PhD, James Lomas, PhD, Hannah Ahn, MS

Pages:25–32

**[Characteristics of COVID-19 in Homeless Sheltersn- A Community-Based Surveillance Study](#)**

FREE

Julia H. Rogers, MPH, Amy C. Link, BS, Denise McCulloch, MD, MPH, [... et al.](#)

Pages:42–49

### **Antiquity – A Review of World Archeology**

Latest Issue: Issue 378 - December 2020

<https://antiquity.ac.uk/latest>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal**

Volume 291 February 2021

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/291/suppl/C>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

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

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

(Accessed 23 Jan 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

### **BMJ Global Health**

January 2021 - Volume 6 - 1

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/6/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **BMC Health Services Research**

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

(Accessed 23 Jan 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

### **BMC Infectious Diseases**

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

(Accessed 23 Jan 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

### **BMC Medical Ethics**

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

(Accessed 23 Jan 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

### **BMC Medicine**

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

(Accessed 23 Jan 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

### **BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth**

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

(Accessed 23 Jan 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

### **BMC Public Health**

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

*Research*

#### **[Uganda's increasing dependence on development partner's support for immunization – a five year resource tracking study \(2012 – 2016\)](#)**

*In Uganda, there are persistent weaknesses in obtaining accurate, reliable and complete data on local and external investments in immunization to guide planning, financing, and resource mobilization. This study aimed to measure and describe the financial envelope for immunization from 2012 to 2016 and analyze expenditures at sub-national level.*

Authors: Carol Kamya, Christabel Abewe, Peter Waiswa, Gilbert Asimwe, Faith Namugaya, Charles Opio, Immaculate Ampeire, Stephen Lagony and Charlotte Muheki

Citation: BMC Public Health 2021 21:160

Content type: Research article

Published on: 19 January 2021

### **BMC Research Notes**

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

(Accessed 23 Jan 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

### **BMJ Open**

January 2021 - Volume 11 - 1

<https://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/11/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Bulletin of the World Health Organization**

Volume 99, Number 1, January 2021, 1-76

<https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/99/1/en/>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Child Care, Health and Development**

Volume 47, Issue 1 Pages: 1-141 January 2021

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

[Reviewed earlier]

## **Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal**

Volume 110, Part 2, December 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/child-abuse-and-neglect/vol/110/part/P2>

### ***Protecting children from maltreatment during COVID-19: First volume***

Edited by Carmit Katz, Barbara Fallon

*Editorial No access*

#### **Protecting children from maltreatment during COVID-19**

Carmit Katz, Barbara Fallon

Article 104753

*Research article Abstract only*

#### **Stress and parenting during the global COVID-19 pandemic**

Samantha M. Brown, Jenalee R. Doom, Stephanie Lechuga-Peña, Sarah Enos Watamura, Tiffany

Koppels

Article 104699

*Research article Abstract only*

#### **Child protection and resilience in the face of COVID-19 in South Africa: A rapid review of C-19 legislation**

Ansie Fouché, Daniël F. Fouché, Linda C. Theron

Article 104710

*Research article Abstract only*

#### **Data-informed recommendations for services providers working with vulnerable children and families during the COVID-19 pandemic**

Nicole Gilbertson Wilke, Amanda Hiles Howard, Delia Pop

Article 104642

*Discussion Full text access*

#### **Conclusion for Special Issue on COVID-19: How can we better protect the mental health of children in this current global environment?**

Pragathi Tummala, Tufail Muhammad

Article 104808

## **Clinical Therapeutics**

December 2020 Volume 42 Issue 12 p2239-2340, e259-e274

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

[Reviewed earlier]

## **Clinical Trials**

Volume 17 Issue 6, December 2020

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/17/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

## **Conflict and Health**

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

[Accessed 23 Jan 2021]

[No new digest content identified]

### **Contemporary Clinical Trials**

Volume 99 December 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/99/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **The CRISPR Journal**

Volume 3, Issue 6 / December 2020

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/3/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Current Genetic Medicine Reports**

Volume 8, issue 4, December 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/40142/volumes-and-issues/8-4>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases**

February 2021 - Volume 34 - Issue 1

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Current Protocols in Human Genetics**

Volume 108, Issue 1 December 2020

<https://currentprotocols.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/19348258/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Developing World Bioethics**

Volume 20, Issue 4 Pages: 173-230 December 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Development in Practice**

Volume 30, Issue 8, 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Development Policy Review**



Volume 39, Issue 1 Pages: 1-151 January 2021  
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677679/current>  
*ARTICLES*  
[Reviewed earlier]

**Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology**  
Volume 15, Issue 8, 2020  
<http://informahealthcare.com/toc/idt/current>  
[Reviewed earlier]

**Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness**  
Volume 14 - Issue 5 - October 2020  
<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/disaster-medicine-and-public-health-preparedness/latest-issue>  
[Reviewed earlier]

**Disasters**  
Volume 45, Issue 1 Pages: 1-252 January 2021  
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/current>  
[Reviewed earlier]

**EMBO Reports**  
Volume 22 Issue 1 7 January 2021  
<https://www.embopress.org/toc/14693178/current>  
[Reviewed earlier]

**Emerging Infectious Diseases**  
Volume 27, Number 1—January 2021  
<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/>  
[Reviewed earlier]

**Epidemics**  
Volume 33 December 2020  
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/33/suppl/C>  
[Reviewed earlier]

**Epidemiology and Infection**  
Volume 149 - 2021  
<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/epidemiology-and-infection/latest-issue>  
[Reviewed earlier]

## **Ethics & Human Research**

Volume 43, Issue 1 January–February 2021

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

**When disadvantaged by research • Privacy and medical records • Research misconduct**  
*Articles*

### **The Ethics of Research That May Disadvantage Others**

Christopher Robertson

Pages: 2-16

First Published: 19 January 2021

### **The Competing Demands of Patient Privacy and Clinical Research**

Connie M. Ulrich, Christine Grady, George Demiris, Therese S. Richmond

Pages: 25-31

First Published: 19 January 2021

#### ***ABSTRACT***

Privacy and confidentiality of personal medical information are cornerstones of ethical clinical care and ethical research. But real-world research has challenged traditional ways of thinking about privacy and confidentiality of information. In today's world of "big data" and learning health care systems, researchers and others are combining multiple sources of information to address complex problems. We present a case study that highlights the ethical concerns that arise when a patient who is employed by an academic medical center learns through a research invitational letter that her private information was accessed at this center without her consent. We discuss the ethical challenges of balancing patient privacy with advancing clinical research and ask, what level of privacy and confidentiality can and should patients expect from their clinician providers, fellow research colleagues, and institutions?  
Essay

### **Should the Regulation of Research Misconduct Be Integrated with the Ethics Framework Promulgated in The Belmont Report?**

Barbara K. Redman, Arthur L. Caplan

Pages: 37-41

First Published: 19 January 2021

#### ***ABSTRACT***

The federal research misconduct regulations finalized in 2005 did not incorporate important principles regarding human subjects protections articulated in The Belmont Report, yet research misconduct can involve harms to research subjects and to subsequent patients whose treatments are based on false research findings. Consistency with the Belmont principles would require assuring regular monitoring to detect research misconduct, tracing effects of research misconduct on trial participants and informing them of these effects, and assuring timely correction of published reports of research findings if research misconduct related to the study was subsequently discovered. Research misconduct has historically been viewed as a matter for the scientific community to manage; it is actually a threat to the welfare of human subjects and ethically ought to be treated as such.

## **Ethics & International Affairs**

Fall 2020 (34.3) October 2020

<https://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2020/summer-2020-34-2/>

The editors of *Ethics & International Affairs* are pleased to present the Fall 2020 issue of the journal! This Special Issue of the journal features a collection of essays organized and guest edited by Margaret P. Karns on the **seventy-fifth anniversary of the United Nations**. The collection contains contributions from David Malone and Adam Day, Sophie Harman, Ellen J. Ravndal, Ramesh Thakur, Susanna P. Campbell, Devaki Jain, Bertrand Ramcharan, Maria Ivanova, and Margaret P. Karns, Kirsten Haack, and Jean-Pierre Murray. Additionally, the issue includes an article by Jack McDonald on information, privacy, and just war theory and an essay by Anthony F. Lang, Jr. on constructing universal values. It also contains a review essay by Sarah C. Goff on freedom and justice in trade governance, and book reviews by Michael Blake, Elizabeth Kahn, Jamie Mayerfeld, and John Williams. [Reviewed earlier]

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

Volume 30, Issue 6, December 2020

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/30/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Food Policy**

Volume 97 December 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/97/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Food Security**

Volume 12, issue 6, December 2020

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/12-6>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Forced Migration Review (FMR)**

FMR 65 November 2020

<https://www.fmreview.org/recognising-refugees>

#### ***Recognising refugees***

FMR issue 65's main feature on Recognising refugees explores shortcomings, challenges and innovations (and their consequences for refugees/asylum seekers) in refugee status determination processes worldwide. A second feature offers reflections on lessons and good practice emerging from the 2018–20 GP20 Plan of Action for IDPs.

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Forum for Development Studies**

Volume 47, 2020 - Issue 3

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Gates Open Research**

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

[Accessed 23 Jan 2021]

[No new digest content identified]

### **Genome Medicine**

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

[Accessed 23 Jan 2021]

[No new digest content identified]

### **Geoheritage**

Volume 13, issue 1, March 2021

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/volumes-and-issues/13-1>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Global Health Action**

Volume 14, Issue 1 (2021)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

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

Vol. 8, No. 4 December 23, 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Global Public Health**

Volume 16, 2021 Issue 1

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rqph20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Globalization and Health**

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

[Accessed 23 Jan 2021]

#### **[Lockdowns and low- and middle-income countries: building a feasible, effective, and ethical COVID-19 response strategy](#)**

*Lockdowns can be an effective pandemic response strategy that can buy much needed time to slow disease transmission and adequately scale up preventative, diagnostic, and treatment capacities. However, the broad restrictive measures typically associated with lockdowns, though effective, also comes at a cost – imposing significant social and economic burdens on individuals and societies, especially for those in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs)... In response to the urgent need for more policy development around the contextual challenges involved in employing such measures, we propose some strategies LMICs could adopt for safe and responsible lockdown entrance/exit or to avoid re-imposing coercive restrictive lockdown measures altogether.*

Authors: Oghenowede Eyawo, A. M. Viens and Uchechukwu Chidiebere Ugoji

Content type: Commentary

20 January 2021

### **Health Affairs**

Vol. 40, No. 1 January 2021

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

***COVID-19 Response, Medicaid & More***

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Health and Human Rights**

Volume 22, Issue 2, December 2020

<https://www.hhrjournal.org/volume-22-issue-2-december-2020/>

***Special Section: Big Data, Technology, Artificial Intelligence and the Right to Health***

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Health Economics, Policy and Law**

Volume 15 - Issue 4 - October 2020

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Health Policy and Planning**

Volume 35, Issue Supplement\_2, November 2020

[https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/35/Supplement\\_2](https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/35/Supplement_2)

***SUPPLEMENT***

***Innovations in Implementation Research in Low- and Middle-Income Countries***

[Reviewed earlier]

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

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

[Accessed 23 Jan 2021]

**[The state of health research governance in Africa: what do we know and how can we improve?](#)**

*The developments in global health, digital technology, and persistent health systems challenges, coupled with global commitments like attainment of universal health coverage, have elevated the role of health r...*

Authors: Juliet Nabyonga-Orem, James Avoka Asamani and Micheal Makanga

Citation: Health Research Policy and Systems 2021 19:11

Content type: Research

Published on: 22 January 2021

**[Prioritizing knowledge translation in low- and middle-income countries to support pandemic response and preparedness](#)**

*The COVID-19 pandemic has created urgent demand around the world for knowledge generation about a novel coronavirus, its transmission, and control, putting academic institutions at the frontline of politics. W...*

Authors: Yodi Mahendradhata and Anna Kalbarczyk

Citation: Health Research Policy and Systems 2021 19:5

Content type: Commentary

Published on: 18 January 2021

## **Human Gene Therapy**

Volume 32, Issue 1-2 / January 2021

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/hum/32/1-2>

### ***Special Issue: Gene and Cell Therapy for Inherited and Acquired Immune Deficiency***

Guest Editor: Adrian J. Thrasher, PhD

Guest Co-Editors: Uta Griesenbach, PhD , Andrew H. Baker, PhD , Hildegard Büning, PhD

*Editorial*

#### **Gene and Cell Therapy for Inherited and Acquired Immune Deficiency**

Hildegard Büning, Andrew H. Baker, Uta Griesenbach, Terence R. Flotte, and Adrian J. Thrasher

Pages:1–3

Published Online:18 January 2021

*Commentaries*

*Open Access*

#### **Bringing Gene Therapies for HIV Disease to Resource-Limited Parts of the World**

Joseph M. McCune, Emily H. Turner, Adam Jiang, and Brian P. Doehle

Pages:21–30

Published Online:30 October 2020

Initiated by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in 2019, the HIV Frontiers Program aims to move work on HIV cure toward interventions that will ultimately be available to all, most especially those in resource-limited parts of the world where the prevalence of disease is high ([Fig. 1](#)). It starts with the premise that the journey will be long (15–25 years) and that it will ultimately yield a “single-shot cure,” that is, a product that is delivered percutaneously (in vivo) in a single encounter, safely, and effectively modifying selected cells in the body so that viral replication and spread are suppressed and reinfection blocked.

*Reviews Open Access*

#### **Gene Editing for the Treatment of Primary Immunodeficiency Diseases**

Rajeev Rai, Adrian J. Thrasher, and Alessia Cavazza

Pages:43–51

Published Online:16 October 2020

<https://doi.org/10.1089/hum.2020.185>

With conventional treatments for primary immunodeficiency diseases (PIDs), such as allogeneic stem cell transplantation or autologous gene therapy, still facing important challenges, the rapid development of genome editing technologies to more accurately ...

#### **HIV Gene Therapy: An Update**

Tatjana I. Cornu, Claudio Mussolino, Matthias C. Müller, Claudia Wehr, Winfried V. Kern, and Toni Cathomen

Pages:52–65

Published Online:21 December 2020

<https://doi.org/10.1089/hum.2020.159>

Progress in antiretroviral therapy has considerably reduced mortality and notably improved the quality of life of individuals infected with HIV since the pandemic began some 40 years ago. However, drug resistance, treatment-associated toxicity, adherence ...

## **Human Rights Quarterly**

Volume 42, Number 4, November 2020

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/43262>

[Reviewed earlier]

## **Humanitarian Exchange Magazine**

Number 78, October 2020

<https://odihpn.org/magazine/inclusion-of-persons-with-disabilities-in-humanitarian-action-what-now/>

### **Disability inclusion in humanitarian action**

*by HPN October 2020*

The theme of this edition of Humanitarian Exchange, co-edited with Sherin Alsheikh Ahmed from Islamic Relief Worldwide, is disability inclusion in humanitarian action. Persons with disabilities are not only disproportionately impacted by conflicts, disasters and other emergencies, but also face barriers to accessing humanitarian assistance. At the same time, global commitments and standards and the IASC Guidelines on the inclusion of persons with disabilities in humanitarian action all emphasise how persons with disabilities are also active agents of change. Disability and age-focused organisations have led on testing and demonstrating how inclusion can be done better. Yet despite this progress, challenges to effective inclusion remain.

As Kirstin Lange notes in the lead article, chief among these challenges is humanitarian agencies' lack of engagement with organisations of persons with disabilities. Simone Bula, Elizabeth Morgan and Teresa Thomson look at disability inclusion in humanitarian response in the Pacific, and Kathy Al Jubeh and Alradi Abdalla argue for a 'participation revolution', building on learning from the gender movement. Tchaurea Fleury and Sulayman AbdulMumuni Ujah outline how the Bridge Article 11 training initiative is encouraging constructive exchange between humanitarian and disability actors. The lack of good, disaggregated data is highlighted by Sarah Collinson; Frances Hill, Jim Cranshaw and Carys Hughes emphasise the need for training resources in local languages and accessible formats; and Sophie Van Eetvelt and colleagues report on a review of the evidence on inclusion of people with disabilities and older people.

Rebecca Molyneux and co-authors analyse the findings of a review of a DFID programme in north-east Nigeria, while Carolin Funke highlights the importance of strategic partnerships between disability-focused organisations, drawing on her research in Cox's Bazar. Sherin Alsheikh Ahmed describes Islamic Relief Worldwide's approach to mainstreaming protection and inclusion, while Pauline Thivillier and Valentina Shafina outline IRC's Client Responsive Programming. The edition ends with reflections by Mirela Turcanu and Yves Ngunzi Kahashi on CAFOD's SADI approach.

## **Infectious Agents and Cancer**

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

[Accessed 23 Jan 2021]

[No new digest content identified]

### **Infectious Diseases of Poverty**

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

[Accessed 23 Jan 2021]

[No new digest content identified]

### **International Health**

SUPPLEMENT Volume 13, Issue Supplement\_1, January 2021

[https://academic.oup.com/inthealth/issue/13/Supplement\\_1](https://academic.oup.com/inthealth/issue/13/Supplement_1)

***Two Decades of Public Health Achievements in Lymphatic Filariasis (2000–2020): Reflections, Progress and Future Challenges***

[Reviewed earlier]

### **International Human Rights Law Review**

Volume 9 (2020): Issue 2 (Oct 2020)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/hrlr/9/2/hrlr.9.issue-2.xml>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **The International Journal of Children's Rights**

Volume 28 (2020): Issue 4 (Dec 2020)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/chil/28/4/chil.28.issue-4.xml>

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

Vol 8, No 1 (2021) January 2021

<https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/72>

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[Reviewed earlier]

### **International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction**

Volume 51 December 2020

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/51/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **International Journal of Epidemiology**

Volume 49, Issue 5, October 2020

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



[Reviewed earlier]

**International Journal of Heritage Studies**

Volume 27, Issue 1, 2021

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

[Reviewed earlier]

**International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare**

Volume 13 Issue 5 2020

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2056-4902/vol/13/iss/5>

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[Reviewed earlier]

**International Journal of Infectious Diseases**

January 2021 Volume 102 p1-590

<https://www.ijidonline.com/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

**International Migration Review**

Volume 54 Issue 4, December 2020

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/mrxa/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

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

July-December 2020 Volume 18 | Issue 2 Page Nos. 97-183

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

[Reviewed earlier]

**JAMA**

January 19, 2021, Vol 325, No. 3, Pages 205-316

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/currentissue>

*Viewpoint*

**[The Ethics of Continuing Placebo in SARS-CoV-2 Vaccine Trials](#)**

Annette Rid, MD; Marc Lipsitch, DPhil; Franklin G. Miller, PhD

free access has active quiz has multimedia has audio

JAMA. 2021;325(3):219-220. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.25053

This Viewpoint proposes that prioritizing all placebo-group participants in coronavirus vaccine trials as vaccine first receivers could perpetuate health inequities and compromise the chance to learn from their participation, proposing instead to limit prioritization to placebo participants who would be prioritized for vaccination anyway under NASEM or ACIP frameworks.

[Conversations with Dr Bauchner](#): Coronavirus Vaccine FDA Update

[Conversations with Dr Bauchner: COVID-19 Vaccines and Herd Immunity](#)

### **Evaluating SARS-CoV-2 Vaccines After Emergency Use Authorization or Licensing of Initial Candidate Vaccines**

Steven Joffe, MD, MPH

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JAMA. 2021;325(3):221-222. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.25127

This Viewpoint discusses the ethics of including a placebo arm in randomized trials of coronavirus vaccines once authorized vaccines have become widely available, and proposes use of adaptive platform trial designs as an optimal approach to nimbly and ethically compare future investigational COVID-19 vaccines with proven effective ones.

### **Public Health Messaging in an Era of Social Media**

Raina M. Merchant, MD, MSHP; Eugenia C. South, MD, MSHP; Nicole Lurie, MD, MSPH

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JAMA. 2021;325(3):223-224. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.24514

This Viewpoint discusses the rapid spread of scientific misinformation on social media platforms throughout the COVID-19 pandemic and proposes strategies to counteract its adverse effects including surveillance of digital data and partnering with trusted messengers to engage the public and advance scientifically sound public health measures.

*Editorial*

*Health Policy*

### **Health Care Is a Right, Not a Privilege - A New Series on US Health Care and Health Policy**

Howard Bauchner, MD; Phil B. Fontanarosa, MD, MBA; Karen Joynt Maddox, MD, MPH

Two fundamental questions about health care in the US remain unanswered: is health care a right or a privilege and, relatedly, is the US committed to ensuring that every individual has access to some form of health insurance like in every other modern high-resource country.<sup>1,2</sup> President Obama, despite the success of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in increasing the number of individuals with health insurance in this country, seldom addressed this issue directly, even in a wide-ranging special communication in JAMA.<sup>3</sup> President Trump has done little with respect to increasing the number of individuals with insurance; instead, his administration has challenged the legality of various aspects of the ACA in court, although overturning it would reduce health coverage significantly. However, there has been encouraging, if incomplete, movement at the state level. In total, 39 states have now expanded Medicaid under the auspices of the ACA, including a number of states, such as Oklahoma and Louisiana, with a historically conservative populace.

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*These articles on COVID-19 were published across the JAMA Network in the last week.*

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January 2021, Vol 175, No. 1, Pages 5-112

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January 2021 - Volume 19 - Issue 1

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

*SYSTEMATIC REVIEW PROTOCOLS*

**[Point-of-care testing for sexually transmitted infections in low- and middle-income countries: a scoping review protocol](#)**

Martin, Kevin; Roper, Tom; Vera, Jaime H.

JBİ Evidence Synthesis. 19(1):155-162, January 2021.

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January 2021 Volume 68 Issue 1 p1-222

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Vol. 70 (2021)

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Volume 46 Pages 1-406 (November–December 2020)

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<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2044-1266/vol/11/iss/1>

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**[Colonized by the development discourse: life and living heritage in the shadow of antiquities](#)**

Olga Bialostocka

Tangible and intangible aspects of living heritage shape the identity of communities whose daily experience is integrated into heritage cultural spaces. Interference in this intricately woven, historically rich context may have significant sociocultural and material consequences for the people inhabiting it. Using the example of the ancient Theban Necropolis and “modern” Gurna, the paper looks at the loss of contemporary cultural heritage in favor of Pharaonic antiquities to question the model of heritage management and development practiced through violence in Egypt.

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**[A Four-year Analysis of Labor Trafficking Cases in the United States: Exploring Characteristics and Labor Trafficking Patterns](#)**

Kristen Bracy, Bandak Lul & Dominique Roe-Sepowitz

Pages: 35-52

Published online: 06 Aug 2019

*Article*

**[From Vulnerability to Sustainability: Implementation of Free Education Programmes and Reversal of Child Trafficking in Nigeria](#)**

Christian Ezeibe, Chika Oguonu, Chukwuedozie K. Ajaero, Nnabuike Osadebe, Humphrey Agbo & Onyinye Uwaechia

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***Current Conflicts over Migration, Belonging and Membership: Classificatory Struggles Revisited***

*Article*

**[Classificatory Struggles Revisited: Theorizing Current Conflicts over Migration, Belonging and Membership](#)**

Anna Amelina, Jana Schäfer & Miriam Friz Trzeciak

Pages: 1-8

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*Article*

**[Democratizing, Stretching, Entangling, Transversing: Four Moves for Reshaping Migration Categories](#)**

Parvati Raghuram

Pages: 9-24

Published online: 29 Oct 2020

*Article*

**[Methodological Innovation in Research: Participatory Theater with Migrant Families on Conflicts and Transformations over the Politics of Belonging](#)**

Erene Kaptani, Umut Erel, Maggie O'Neill & Tracey Reynolds

Pages: 68-81

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## **Journal of International Development**

Volume 33, Issue 1 Pages: 1-274 January 2021

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/10991328/current>

*Research Articles*

### **Translating the Principle of Beneficence into Ethical Participatory Development Research Practice**

Michelle R. Brear, Rebecca Gordon

Pages: 109-126

First Published: 02 September 2020

*Abstract*

Conceptualising and operationalising ethical principles like beneficence (maximise benefits, minimise risks) is complex. We contribute to understanding beneficence by critically analysing data documenting participatory international development research processes in Eswatini and India, informed by capabilities theory. Our results problematise (i) conceptualising beneficence solely in relation to either local or academic norms and (ii) offsetting economic, social and cognitive, or individual, group and societal benefits and/or harms, as either practice risks perpetuating unjust economic and/or epistemological hierarchies. Our results suggest that beneficence will be optimally achieved if it is conceptualised and operationalised considering diverse stakeholder perspectives and social justice theory.

### **Government Transfers and Time Allocation Decisions: The Case of Child Labour in Ethiopia**

Ervin Prifti, Silvio Daidone, Greta Campora, Noemi Pace

Pages: 16-40

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Michael Jennings, Matthew Clarke, Simon Feeny, Gill Westhorp, Cara Donohue

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#### **Drug supply shortage in Nigeria during COVID-19: efforts and challenges**

*The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in massive disruptions in global supply chains. Nigeria is particularly vulnerable with respect to pharmaceuticals since there is reduced local production and about 70% of th...*

Authors: Edward Faiva, Hashim Talib Hashim, Mustafa Ahmed Ramadhan, Shingin Kovona Musa, John Bchara, Yahya Dheyaa Tuama, Yusuff Adebayo Adebisi, Mustafa Hayder Kadhim, Mohammad Yasir Essar, Shoaib Ahmad and Don Eliseo Lucero-Prisno III

Citation: Journal of Pharmaceutical Policy and Practice 2021 14:17

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#### **Making the investment case for national regulatory authorities**

*Well-functioning national regulatory authorities (NRAs) ensure access to safe, effective, quality-assured, and affordable medical products. However, the benefits of their work are often unseen and difficult to...*

Authors: Gloria Twesigye, Tamara Hafner and Javier Guzman

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Content type: Commentary

Published on: 21 January 2021

#### **Drug supply situation in Rwanda during COVID-19: issues, efforts and challenges**

*COVID-19 is a threat to health systems around the world and Rwanda is not an exception. The impact of the pandemic is far-reaching and access to health commodities is not spared. Proper drug supply is critical...*

Authors: Theogene Uwizeyimana, Hashim Talib Hashim, Jean Damascene Kabakambira, Jean Claude Mujiyarugamba, Jackson Dushime, Blaise Ntacyabukura, Remy Ndayizeye, Yusuff Adebayo Adebisi and Don Eliseo Lucero-Prisno III

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*Editorial*

#### **COVID-19: the intersection of education and health**

The Lancet

What lessons does the COVID-19 syndemic offer when considering the convergence between health and education? The International Day of Education, on Jan 24, provides an opportunity to reflect on the weaknesses of the education system before COVID-19, and on the impact of school closures and education disruptions on children and adolescents. Since March, 2020, more than 1·5 billion students



worldwide—an unprecedented number—have been affected by school or university closures. The implications of these closures are enormous. In addition to the loss of learning, a lack of access to school means that many children lose protection from hazards such as domestic violence and child abuse, others lose access to the only nutritious meal of their day, and many will miss immunisations that are often given at school. Furthermore, school closures deprive children and adolescents of social and emotional experiences essential for their development and wellbeing.

Adolescents are particularly affected by both closures and by distance learning in higher education. In the short term, some students are leaving school to find work earlier than they might otherwise have; others might be experiencing mental health problems such as loneliness and anxiety. In the long term, there is a danger that hard-won progress in secondary school attendance in low-income and middle-income countries will be reversed. And it is not only schools that shape education. Cultural events, sport, and religion have been disrupted, in many countries for almost a year. Under lockdowns, children who have not yet reached school age have been forced to remain at home, and low levels of stimulation during a child's early years are likely to have far-reaching consequences for their development. Health and education are bidirectionally linked: a good-quality education is an investment for health, and health is essential for effective learning. These disruptions to education, and the subsequent widening of inequalities in learning, will adversely affect the health of this generation and their children.

The disproportionate effect of school closures on girls and poorer students is especially concerning—millions of children are predicted to drop out of school (the humanitarian analysis organisation ACAPS says 24 million; Save the Children estimates 9·7 million). Many educational institutions have re-established their programmes online to mitigate short-term interruptions in learning. However, the effects of a digital divide and intangible losses of cognitive and social skills cannot be easily repaired. The economic crisis is pushing poor households into greater poverty, with families turning to early marriage as an alternative form of income. This predicament further perpetuates intergenerational poverty and inequality. Education is the only ladder out of poverty for many children and adolescents, and it is crucial to empower girls to economic independence and resist violation of their rights.

Education systems will be most beneficial when they provide more than a curriculum in science, maths, languages, and other academic subjects. Programmes that better support the cognitive and behavioural skills of children—self-reliance, decision making, anxiety management, communication, and assertiveness—will enable them to thrive. Traditional educational skills need to be expanded to encompass training in sexual and reproductive health and rights, child nutrition, and mental health.

This conceptual change in the value of education needs to start at the national level with revitalised education programmes. There is evidence that holistic approaches to education that value health and wellbeing can be effective. But their success is dependent on the political will to implement and support them. For example, the Health Promoting Schools approach developed by WHO values schools as social communities inclusive of students, teachers, and families; however, WHO reports that few countries have successfully implemented it at scale. This approach is aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for health (SDG3) and quality education (SDG4), which explicitly acknowledge the linkage between health and education. Yet, the two sectors remain distant; arguments over whether to close schools to prevent infection can even imply that they are in opposition. This disconnect needs to be remedied. Closer cooperation would revitalise not only education, but also child and adolescent health.

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Jan 2021 Volume 5 Number 1 p1-90, e1-e2

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Jan 2021 Volume 9 Number 1 p1-116, e1-e10

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### **Maternal and Child Health Journal**

Volume 25, issue 1, January 2021

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10995/volumes-and-issues/25-1>

*Commentary*

#### **[The Changing Aspects of Motherhood in Face of the COVID-19 Pandemic in Low- and Middle-Income Countries](#)**

Authors (first, second and last of 4) Jennifer Prince Kingsley, Paul Kingsley Vijay, Nalini Sathiakumar

Published: 26 November 2020

Pages: 15 – 21

*Review Paper*

## **Women's Empowerment and Infant and Child Health Status in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Systematic Review**

Solomon Kibret Abreha, Yacob Abrehe Zereyesus

Open Access

Published: 23 November 2020

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Volume 41 Issue 1, January 2021

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Volume 98, Issue 4 Pages: 1021-1341, E1-E12 December 2020

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Volume 589 Issue 7842, 21 January 2021

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*Editorial* | 20 January 2021

### **How science can put the Sustainable Development Goals back on track**

The COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted the UN's flagship plan to end poverty and protect the environment. Researchers need to launch a rapid response.

*Editorial* | 19 January 2021

### **The world needs a single naming system for coronavirus variants**

Geographic associations risk stigma. Researchers must quickly agree on a more meaningful and universal nomenclature.

*News & Views* | 16 December 2020

### **Precise mapping reveals gaps in global measles vaccination coverage**

Precise maps of routine first-dose measles vaccinations show slowing progress around the world between 2010 and 2019, and large gaps in coverage in many places. Many countries are unlikely to achieve global 2020 coverage targets.

C. Edson Utazi & Andrew J. Tatem

*Article* | 16 December 2020 | Open Access

### **Mapping routine measles vaccination in low- and middle-income countries**

Although progress in the coverage of routine measles vaccination in children in low- and middle-income countries was made during 2000–2019, many countries remain far from the goal of 80% coverage in all districts by 2019.

Alyssa N. Sbarra, Sam Rolfe[...] & Jonathan F. Mosser

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Volume 39 Issue 1, January 2021

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Volume 4 Issue 12, December 2020

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Volume 27 Issue 1, January 2021

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Volume 21 Issue 1, January 2021

<https://www.nature.com/nri/volumes/21/issues/1>

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Volume 20 Issue 1, January 2021

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January 21, 2021 Vol. 384 No. 3

<http://www.nejm.org/toc/nejm/medical-journal>

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[Post-Transcriptional Genetic Silencing of BCL11A to Treat Sickle Cell Disease - E.B. Esrick and Others](#)

[Brief Report: CRISPR-Cas9 Gene Editing for Sickle Cell Disease and  \$\beta\$ -Thalassemia - H. Frangoul and Others](#)

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Volume 49 Issue 6, December 2020

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**Measuring research mistrust in adolescents and adults: Validity and reliability of an adapted version of the Group-Based Medical Mistrust Scale**

Amelia S. Knopf, Peter Krombach, Amy J. Katz, Rebecca Baker, Gregory Zimet

Research Article | published 22 Jan 2021 PLOS ONE

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*Abstract*

Mistrust of health care providers among persons of color is a significant barrier to engaging them in research studies. Underrepresentation of persons of color is particularly problematic when the health problem under study disproportionately affects minoritized communities. The purpose of this study was to test the validity and reliability of an abbreviated and adapted version of the Group Based Medical Mistrust Scale. The GBMMS is a 12-item scale with three subscales that assess suspicion, experiences of discrimination, and lack of support in the health care setting. To adapt for use in the research setting, we shortened the scale to six items, and replaced “health care workers” and “health care” with “medical researchers” and “medical research,” respectively. Using panelists from a market research firm, we recruited and enrolled a racially and ethnically diverse sample of American adults (N = 365) and adolescents aged 14–17 (N = 250). We administered the adapted scale in a web-based survey. We used Cronbach’s alpha to evaluate measure internal reliability of the scale and external factor analysis to evaluate the relationships between the revised scale items. Five of the six items loaded onto a single factor, with ( $\alpha = 0.917$ ) for adolescents and ( $\alpha = 0.912$ ) for adults. Mean scores for each item ranged from 2.5–2.9, and the mean summary score (range 6–25) was 13.3 for adults and 13.1 for adolescents. Among adults, Black respondents had significantly higher mean summary scores compared to whites and those in other race/ethnic groups ( $p < 0.001$ ). There was a trend toward significance for Black adolescents as compared to white respondents and those in other racial/ethnic groups ( $p = 0.09$ ). This five-item modified version of the GBMMS is reliable and valid for measuring research mistrust with American adults and adolescents of diverse racial and ethnic identities.

**Public acceptance of privacy-encroaching policies to address the COVID-19 pandemic in the United Kingdom**

Stephan Lewandowsky, Simon Dennis, Andrew Perfors, Yoshihisa Kashima, Joshua P. White, Paul Garrett, Daniel R. Little, Muhsin Yesilada

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*Opinion*

**Opinion: Standardizing gene product nomenclature—a call to action**

Kenji Fujiyoshi, Elspeth A. Bruford, Pawel Mroz, Cynthe L. Sims, Timothy J. O’Leary, Anthony W. I. Lo, Neng Chen, Nimesh R. Patel, Keyur Pravinchandra Patel, Barbara Seliger, Mingyang Song, Federico A. Monzon, Alexis B. Carter, Margaret L. Gulley, Susan M. Mockus, Thuy L. Phung, Harriet Feilotter, Heather E. Williams, and Shuji Ogino

PNAS January 19, 2021 118 (3) e2025207118; <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2025207118>

The current lack of a standardized nomenclature system for gene products (e.g., proteins) has resulted in a haphazard counterproductive system of labeling. Different names are often used for the same gene product; the same name is sometimes used for unrelated gene products. Such ambiguity causes not only potential harm to patients, whose treatments increasingly rely on laboratory tests for multiple gene products, but also miscommunication and inefficiency, both of which hinder progress of broad scientific fields. To mitigate this confusion, we recommend standardizing human protein nomenclature through the use of a Human Genome Organisation (HUGO) Gene Nomenclature Committee (HGNC) gene symbol accompanied by its unique HGNC ID. We call for action across all biomedical communities and scientific and medical journals to standardize nomenclature of gene products using HGNC gene symbols to enhance accuracy in scientific and public communication.

### **Prehospital & Disaster Medicine**

Volume 35 - Issue 6 - December 2020

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### **Public Health Reports**

Volume 136 Issue 1, January/February 2021

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Volume 31 Issue 2, January 2021

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### **Refugee Survey Quarterly**

Volume 39, Issue 4, December 2020

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***Special Issue: Improving Attention to Internal Displacement Globally***

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Volume 17 Issue 1, January 2021

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### **Reproductive Health**

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**[The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on maternal and perinatal health: a scoping review](#)**

*The Covid-19 pandemic affects maternal health both directly and indirectly, and direct and indirect effects are intertwined. To provide a comprehensive overview on this broad topic in a rapid format behooving ...*

Authors: Bethany Kotlar, Emily Gerson, Sophia Petrillo, Ana Langer and Henning Tiemeier

Citation: Reproductive Health 2021 18:10

Content type: Review

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**[Using mobile phones to improve young people sexual and reproductive health in low and middle-income countries: a systematic review to identify barriers, facilitators, and range of mHealth solutions](#)**

*Globally, reproductive health programs have used mHealth to provide sexual and reproductive health (SRH) education and services to young people, through diverse communication channels. However, few attempts ha...*

Authors: Anam Shahil Feroz, Naureen Akber Ali, Adeel Khoja, Armish Asad and Sarah Saleem

Citation: Reproductive Health 2021 18:9

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### **Revista Panamericana de Salud Pública/Pan American Journal of Public Health (RPSP/PAJPH)**

<https://www.paho.org/journal/en>

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**[Just societies: A new vision for health equity in the Americas after COVID-19](#)**



Editorial | English |

[*Extract*]

The significant challenges to equity in health in the Region of the Americas, as detailed in the report of the Pan American Health Organization Independent Commission on Equity and Health Inequalities in the Americas (1), gave original impetus to this Special Issue on Equity in Health by the Pan American Journal of Public Health. The report, *Just Societies: Health Equity and Dignified Lives*, analyzed a vast body of evidence that indicated the overwhelming inequalities in the Region that relate to three factors: structural drivers, conditions of daily life, and governance for health equity (taking action).

Highlighting the continued realities of the interrelationship between social and health inequities in the Americas is by no means new (2). However, since early 2020 this interrelationship has been further exposed and exacerbated by the unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic, which is testing governments, communities, economies, and individuals in ways previously unimagined in their scope and intensity (3). The crisis is exposing underlying inequalities in health and the cost of inaction to address this long-standing social injustice, and the COVID-19 response is even reversing improvements in social and health indicators made in the last two decades (3, 4).[...]

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## **Stanford Social Innovation Review**

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***Special Issue: Philosophical investigations into the essence of pediatric suffering***  
**[Valuing life and evaluating suffering in infants with life-limiting illness](#)**

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### ***Abstract***

In this paper, we explore three separate questions that are relevant to assessing the prudential value of life in infants with severe life-limiting illness. First, what is the value or disvalue of a short life? Is it in the interests of a child to save her life if she will nevertheless die in infancy or very early childhood? Second, how does profound cognitive impairment affect the balance of positives and negatives in a child's future life? Third, if the life of a child with life-limiting illness is prolonged, how much suffering will she experience and can any of it be alleviated? Is there a risk that negative experiences for such a child (suffering) will remain despite the provision of palliative care? We argue that both the subjective and objective components of well-being for children could be greatly reduced if they are anticipated to have a short life that is affected by profound cognitive impairment. This does not mean that their overall well-being will be negative, but rather that there may be a higher risk of negative overall well-being if they are expected to experience pain, discomfort, or distress. Furthermore, we point to some of the practical limitations of therapies aimed at relieving suffering, such that there is a risk that suffering will go partially or completely unrelieved. Taken together, these considerations imply that some life-prolonging treatments are not in the best interests of infants with severe life-limiting illness.

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due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a number of international meetings including COP 15 could not take place and have been postponed.

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