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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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## **COVID – Inequities are Immoral**

### **As COVID-19 Reveals Immoral Inequities in Health System, Secretary-General Observance Message Calls for Applying Policies, Assigning Resources to Ensure Everyone Thrives**

5 April 2021 SG/SM/20672

*Following is UN Secretary-General António Guterres' message for World Health Day, observed on 7 April:*

On this World Health Day, we highlight the inequalities and injustices of our health systems.

The COVID-19 crisis has revealed how unequal our societies are. Within countries, illness and death from COVID-19 has been higher among people and communities that contend with poverty, unfavourable living and working conditions, discrimination and social exclusion.

Globally, the vast majority of vaccine doses administered have been in a few wealthy countries or those producing vaccines. Thanks to the COVAX initiative, more nations are now beginning to receive vaccine supplies, but most people in low- and middle-income countries still must watch and wait.

Such inequities are immoral, and they are dangerous for our health, our economies and our societies. As we recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, we must implement policies and allocate resources so all can enjoy the same health outcomes. That means achieving the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030. And it means delivering universal health coverage so everyone, everywhere, can thrive.

On this World Health Day, let us commit to work together for a healthy, equitable world.

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## **Featured Journal Content**

### **Nature**

Volume 592 Issue 7853, 8 April 2021

<https://www.nature.com/nature/volumes/592/issues/7853>

Editorial | 06 April 2021

### **The world must learn from COVID before diving into a pandemic treaty**

*A treaty might help countries to prepare for the next pandemic — but first they must study what went wrong during this one.*

**Last week, 27 world leaders, including the president of the European Council and the director-general of the World Health Organization (WHO), called for the creation of a legally binding treaty so that the world is better prepared for the next pandemic.** The European Union helped to initiate the idea, which is backed by countries in the African Union, Asia and South America. The United States and China are not in the founding group.

The leaders envisage a global agreement, organized through the WHO, that will enable nations to equitably share their expertise, equipment and knowledge in controlling and ending pandemics. "Together, we must be better prepared to predict, prevent, detect, assess and effectively respond to pandemics in a highly coordinated fashion," the leaders wrote in a series of opinion articles published simultaneously in newspapers around the world.

A pandemic treaty, they imply, would be the antidote to the current response, which is the opposite of cooperative. Countries that are doing vaccine research and manufacturing — such as those in the EU, the United States and India — are buying up most of the stock or restricting exports to other countries. Many of the richer nations are, for now, maintaining intellectual-property protection on important technologies. Earlier in the pandemic, countries were outbidding each other to find personal protective equipment and coronavirus testing kits.

**Although the objective of a pandemic treaty is compelling, it's not clear whether, in practice, such an instrument would lead to a more unified and equitable response to a future pandemic.** When the 2008 global financial crisis hit, world leaders, finance ministers and leaders of financial institutions worked in concert to stabilize economies. They didn't need a treaty. Nor should those working to navigate a path out of the pandemic.

It was — and remains — entirely possible for nations to come together and make a few key joint decisions, as many, including this journal, have been advocating. On vaccinations, for example, there could have been an agreement to share know-how and supplies so that all of the world's most vulnerable people could be protected first. Countries could similarly have cooperated by sharing research and experience to inform criteria for starting and ending lockdowns and for closing and opening borders.

**Nonetheless, a pandemic treaty is not an unworkable idea, and multilateralism is infinitely preferable to nations acting alone.** But it requires due diligence, alongside studies of the current pandemic response. It will also need a broader constituency of support beyond that of its founding leaders, and it will require patience, and give and take.

### ***So what does a treaty need?***

A pandemic treaty needs to meet at least four conditions.

**First, international treaties need the world to sign up.** So far, only a small number of countries have done so. Different countries will have different reasons for taking part, which will need to be accommodated. A global treaty would also need participation from China and the United States, which is not certain at this time of renewed tensions in East–West relations. And treaty negotiation can take years, if not decades — so prepare for a long haul.

**Second, a treaty needs researchers and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) to be actively involved.** Historically, both have been crucial in creating treaties. Warnings from researchers

helped the world to agree on international treaties on ozone depletion and climate change. NGOs have been instrumental in the creation of biodiversity treaties and the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, which entered into force in January. Their voices, along with those of the thousands of clinicians, epidemiologists, geneticists, public-health specialists, virologists and so many more who have been central to the pandemic response, have yet to be heard — and they need to be.

**Third, before negotiating a new treaty, nations need to study why existing agreements are not working.** Under the EU's pandemic plan, for example, procured vaccines are placed in a central pool and are released to countries according to priority categories. But this has proved controversial because it has prevented countries from purchasing their own supplies. Some EU countries have contravened the agreement and gone outside the pool to procure vaccines on their own.

**The COVAX scheme has some elements of a treaty:** countries and funders have promised to contribute funding and vaccines for the most vulnerable people in countries with the greatest need. This is an important initiative, and was designed to ensure that all of the world's most vulnerable people could be vaccinated first. However, it is clear that donor countries are waiting for vaccines to be rolled out to their own citizens before they release supplies to COVAX for recipient countries.

**Clearly, although countries say they are committed to the principle of equitable allocation, this is not actually happening.** That means there is a risk that, when the next pandemic strikes, countries will return to competing with each other for supplies, even with a treaty committing them to equitable access.

**Fourth, if a new treaty is to be administered by the WHO, nations need to have an honest conversation about whether they will give the agency more powers.** The WHO has been offering constant guidance since before it declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern more than a year ago. Some countries were better able to follow its advice and have had more success at eliminating the virus, others less so. To succeed, a treaty that is administered by the WHO will need every country to respect its instructions.

After the 2008 global financial crisis, world leaders realized that parts of the architecture of international finance needed to be mended. But you cannot fix a broken system in the middle of a crisis. A treaty to fix today's ills has the potential to be a powerful instrument in a future pandemic, but, with countries still navigating their way out of this one, it's important to remember that people don't need an international law to pick up the phone and talk.

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## **COVID – Global Mobility**

### **First Comprehensive Global Analysis of COVID-19 Travel Restrictions, Border Closures Weighs Future Impacts on Mobility**

*Media Release*

2021-04-08 07:24

GENEVA/WASHINGTON – While the overall picture of cross-border human mobility in 2020 is of movement dramatically curtailed as a result of measures imposed by governments since the onset of

the COVID-19 pandemic, a new report shows a varying reality over time and by region, with particularly harsh effects for refugees and other migrants who move out of necessity.

The report resulting from the collaboration by the International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the Migration Policy Institute (MPI) marks the first comprehensive analysis of the travel measures and border closures that governments around the world took during 2020—which at their peak in mid-December exceeded 111,000 in place at one time. The report, [COVID-19 and the State of Global Mobility in 2020](#), results from MPI analysis of IOM's COVID-19 Mobility Impacts platform, which collects all of the actions taken by countries and subnational authorities to close international borders, restrict travel between particular locations, impose quarantines and health requirements for travellers, and establish “travel bubbles” and other arrangements.

“The COVID-19 pandemic has gravely impacted global mobility, stranding millions of people, migrant labourers, family members or international students overseas,” said IOM Director General António Vitorino. “This report draws out these dynamics over the course of 2020 and highlights the ways governments are attempting to restart mobility in 2021 and beyond.”

***Cross-border mobility in 2020 can be divided into three phases***, the report's authors find:  
**:: January to May: Mobility lockdowns.** In this first phase, countries introduced a raft of national lockdowns, other travel restrictions and health requirements to respond to the fast-evolving public health crisis. The scale of border closures was unprecedented, many occurring with limited coordination. By the end of March, governments had issued or extended 43,300 travel measures. Movements of all kinds were dramatically curtailed. For instance, the numbers of passengers on international flights in April and May were down by 92 per cent relative to the same months in 2019.

**:: June to September: Phased reopening.** This period brought the staggered reopening of some points of entry, especially of airports. Travel bans were increasingly replaced by health measures, including certificates of pre-departure COVID-19 tests, quarantine measures or health declarations. During this phase, different strategies across the world began to crystallize. This was obvious most clearly in the divergent approaches of island countries: as New Zealand and Australia pursued virus-elimination strategies and maintained border closures, others such as the Caribbean islands opened up to tourism.

**:: October to December: Responses to new outbreaks and virus mutations.** The remainder of the year was a mixed picture, as countries sought to replace travel restrictions with health requirements, while battling a second (and in some cases, third) wave of infections and grappling with the emergence of new variants of the virus. Some countries, including Chile, Mexico and the United Arab Emirates, opened even to tourists. Health certificates became the most common health-related travel measure.

***Three shifts in cross-border mobility were particularly visible, and could persist in the years ahead:***

**:: Widening gulf between movers and non-movers.** The pandemic has deeply curtailed the mobility prospects of some groups who move out of necessity, including refugees and migrant workers, while having little effect on business travellers and others with the resources and opportunity to cross borders for work, family or tourism. This gulf is especially likely to persist if travel begins to favour those who have been vaccinated or tested, or if reliance on digital health records makes a person's ability to travel dependent on digital access and literacy.

**:: Greater socioeconomic vulnerabilities.** The pandemic has amplified the socioeconomic vulnerability of those who depend on mobility for survival. Job losses have hit migrant workers hard, especially since in many countries they often work in sectors particularly disrupted by pandemic response measures or with a higher infection risk.

**:: Amplified relationships of dependence and exploitation.** Restrictions on movement have increased the dependence of many migrants on intermediaries and facilitators, from employment agencies to smugglers. Even as fast-changing travel restrictions have increased the demand for smuggling services among people desperate to flee violence, natural disasters and economic deprivation, or to be able to return home, they have pushed smugglers to use more dangerous routes and raise their prices – exposing migrants and refugees to an increased risk of exploitation and trafficking.

The report examines the future of mobility as countries begin to emerge slowly from the pandemic, finding no easy or one-size-fits-all answers.

**“More than a year on from the onset of the pandemic, it remains an open question what role border closures, travel restrictions and health-related travel requirements should play in a pandemic management response,” said MPI President Andrew Selee. “As new strains of the virus emerge, governments face the challenge of developing risk mitigation strategies that move beyond the blunt tools of border closures and travel bans.** They also need to avoid unilateral responses and work with other governments and international organizations to develop well-planned border health policies.”

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### **COVID-19 and the State of Global Mobility in 2020**

IOM

2021 :: 63 pages ISSN: 978-92-9068-950-8

PDF: <https://publications.iom.int/system/files/pdf/covid-19-and-the-state-of-global.pdf>

#### *Description:*

The year 2020 was a landmark for human mobility, with dramatically reduced cross-border movements of all kinds. The COVID-19 pandemic decimated tourism and business travel; severely curtailed labour migration; and dampened movement of all stripes, from that of international students to family reunification. The International Organization for Migration (IOM) has been tracking the surge in travel restrictions, border closures and health-related travel requirements imposed by governments since the onset of the pandemic. This report, produced through collaboration between the IOM and the Migration Policy Institute (MPI), marks the first comprehensive analysis of these data to understand how the pandemic has reshaped border management and human mobility – and what the lasting ramifications may be throughout 2021 and beyond.



## BOX 1

### Definitions of Common Measures Affecting Travel

**Entry restrictions.** These are different types of measures issued by countries, territories and areas (C/T/As) that limit or stop cross-border mobility.

- ▶ *Route restrictions:* Travellers arriving from, transiting through or having been to specified C/T/As are not allowed to enter. This sometimes includes a time parameter (e.g. the traveller may not have been there in the last 14 days). It also includes the suspension of all flights from a certain C/T/A or the closure of all airports.
- ▶ *Nationality restrictions:* Travellers with a specific nationality are not allowed to enter.

**Conditions for authorized entry.** Some measures have required travellers to meet certain conditions to be allowed into the country. These may be applicable to all travellers or only travellers from certain C/T/As or certain groups.

- ▶ *Health requirements:* Entry is conditioned on complying with public health requirements. (Note: Health requirements were issued at first mostly to limit international mobility, however, over time, they have become conditions for entry and have been increasingly used to facilitate mobility.)
  - Quarantine requirements: Upon entry, travellers are required to quarantine at a designated or self-nominated location for a specific period, usually between 7 and 21 days.
  - Medical certificates: Travellers must provide proof of a negative result on an approved test for the virus taken within a certain time, usually 48 to 72 hours prior to arrival.
  - Health screening on arrival: Upon arrival, travellers are subject to measures to screen for COVID-19, such as blood sampling, temperature checks, swabs and thermal screenings.
  - Other health measures: Travellers may also be required to complete health declaration and/or travel history forms and participate in health surveillance programmes, such as downloading a mobile location/tracking application or providing location information to destination countries' authorities.
- ▶ *Visa changes:* Some countries have changed visa requirements and processes, including suspending the issuance of visas to some or all foreigners, invalidating previously issued visas and requiring visas for travellers from new C/T/As or for all passengers arriving from certain C/T/As.
- ▶ *Document changes:* The types of identification documents accepted for entry have in some cases changed (e.g. a national ID card is no longer accepted, passports become the sole acceptable form of documentation).
- ▶ *Location surveillance:* Travellers are required to fill out a passenger location form.
- ▶ *Other travel limitations:* At times, countries have introduced measures that do not fit into the above categories of conditions, but that also are not complete restrictions on entry.

**Exceptions to mobility restrictions.** Certain groups of travellers have been exempted from COVID-19-related travel restrictions, but they may still face conditions for authorized entry. Examples include countries' own nationals and residents and their family members, diplomats and staff of international organizations, health professionals, travellers who obtained a special entry permit and certain categories of essential workers.

Source: International Organization for Migration (IOM), "Methodology for Monitoring Global Mobility Restrictions and Exceptions to Mobility Restrictions: IOM COVID-19 Mobility Tracking Database, Version 3", updated October 2020.

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## Space – Weapons Use

### The Potential Human Cost of the Use of Weapons in Outer Space and the Protection Afforded by International Humanitarian Law

09 April 2021 -ICRC

While space objects have been employed for military purposes since the dawn of the space era, the weaponization of outer space would increase the likelihood of hostilities in outer space, with potentially significant impacts for civilians on earth.

The use of weapons in outer space – be it through kinetic or non-kinetic means, using space- and/or ground-based weapon systems – could have significant impacts on civilians on earth. This is because technology enabled by space systems permeates most aspects of civilian life, making the potential consequences of attacks on space systems a matter of humanitarian concern.

In line with its humanitarian mission and mandate, the International Committee of the Red Cross submits this position paper to the United Nations Secretary-General to contribute its expertise to the discussion on the issues outlined in General Assembly Resolution 75/36.

The paper lays out:

- :: the potential human cost of the use of weapons in outer space,
- :: the existing limits to such use under international law, notably the Outer Space Treaty, the UN Charter and international humanitarian law, including prohibitions and limitations on the use of certain weapons, means and methods of warfare,
- :: conclusions and recommendations that States are invited to consider.

The ICRC recommends that future national and multinational discussions and processes acknowledge:

- :: the potentially significant human cost for civilians on earth of the use of weapons in outer space
- :: the protection afforded by the IHL rules that restrict belligerents' choice of means and methods of warfare, including in outer space, on the understanding that acknowledging the applicability of IHL neither legitimizes the weaponization of or hostilities in outer space, nor in any way encourages or justifies the use of force in outer space.

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## Coronavirus [COVID-19] - WHO

*Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)*

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019>

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

Last update: 11 April 2021

**Confirmed cases** :: 134 308 070 [week ago: 129 902 402] [two weeks ago: 125 781 957]

**Confirmed deaths** :: 2 907 944 [week ago: 2 831 815] [two weeks ago: 2 759 432]

**Countries, areas or territories with cases** :: 223

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## Weekly epidemiological update on COVID-19 - 6 April 2021

### *Overview*

**Globally, new COVID-19 cases rose for a sixth consecutive week**, with over 4 million new cases reported in the last week. The number of new deaths also increased by 11% compared to last week, with over 71 000 new deaths reported.

*[No variants of concern overview included]*

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## UNICEF COVID-19 Vaccine Market Dashboard :: Agreements Table Accessed 10 Apr 2021

*An overview of information collected from publicly announced bilateral and multilateral supply agreements [Agreements view from 2021-03-14 to date]*

Number of vaccines  
approved for use

14

Reported global vaccine  
production volumes in  
2021

21bn

Number of secured  
vaccine doses

11.2bn

Number of doses secured  
and optioned for the  
COVAX facility \*

3.56bn \*

Range of reported  
vaccine price per  
dose

Deal date	Recipient	Deal type	Vaccine name	Vaccine developer	Manufacturer
2021-03-31	Nepal	Private purchase	Covaxin	Bharat Biotech	Bharat Biotech
2021-04-01	European Commission	Multilateral purchase	Covishield	AstraZeneca	Serum Institute of India
2021-04-02	Pakistan	Government purchase	Ad5-nCoV	CanSino Biologicals	CanSino Biologicals
2021-04-02	Azerbaijan	Government purchase	CoronaVac	Sinovac	Sinovac
2021-04-03	Mongolia	Government purchase	Inactivated SARS-CoV-2 vaccine	Beijing Institute of Biological Products (CNBG)	Beijing Institute of Biological Products (CNBG)
2021-04-05	Guatemala	Government purchase	Sputnik V	Gamaleya Research Institute	Gamaleya Research Institute
2021-04-06	South Africa	Government purchase	BNT-162	Pfizer/BioNTech	Pfizer/BioNTech
2021-04-07	Somalia	Government purchase	Inactivated SARS-CoV-2 vaccine	Beijing Institute of Biological Products (CNBG)	Beijing Institute of Biological Products (CNBG)
2021-04-07	Germany	Government purchase	Sputnik V	Gamaleya Research Institute	Gamaleya Research Institute
2021-04-09	Australia	Government purchase	BNT-162	Pfizer/BioNTech	Pfizer/BioNTech
2021-04-09	European Commission	Multilateral purchase	BNT-162	Pfizer/BioNTech	Pfizer/BioNTech
2021-04-09	Moldova	Government purchase	CoronaVac	Sinovac	Sinovac

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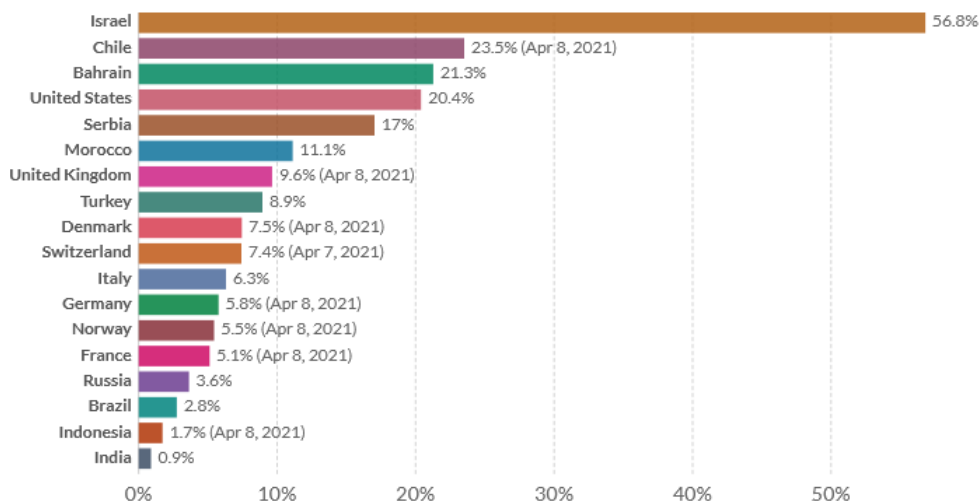
## Coronavirus (COVID-19) Vaccinations – Fully Vaccinated Population Percentage

### Share of the population fully vaccinated against COVID-19, Apr 9, 2021

Share of the total population that have received all doses prescribed by the vaccination protocol. This data is only available for countries which report the breakdown of doses administered by first and second doses.

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Source: Official data collated by Our World in Data – Last updated 10 April, 09:52 (London time)

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Dec 27, 2020

Apr 9, 2021

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## Emergencies

### POLIO

*Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC)*

### Polio this week as of 07 April 2021

:: The GPEI has published a new document meant to provide guidance on tOPV temperature management procedures, which differ from those used in mOPV2 response to poliovirus type 2 events and outbreaks. The document is available [here](#).

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

:: **Afghanistan:** five cVDPV2 cases and eight cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

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

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

:: **Côte d'Ivoire:** four cVDPV2 positive environmental samples

:: **Liberia:** one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample

:: **Sierra Leone:** one cVDPV2 case

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## WHO/OCHA Emergencies

### **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 since last update regardless of the level of the emergency listed.

### **WHO Grade 3 Emergencies** [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

#### **Malawi**

:: The Malaria Vaccine Pilot Implementation Programme two years on in Malawi - Increasi... 07 April 2021

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

Angola - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 16 March 2021]*

Burkina Faso - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 01 avril 2021]*

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: 2 March 2020]*

Iraq - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 25 March 2021]*

Libya - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 7 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: 23 March 2021]*

Niger - *No new digest announcements identified [Last apparent update: 06 mars 2021]*

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 10 Apr 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: 06 March 2021]

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 – Current Emergencies**

COVID-19 - No new digest announcements identified

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

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

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

[to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Meetings/Press Releases/Announcements*

9 April 2021

SG/SM/20679

**Reforming Global Debt Architecture 'Critical', Secretary-General Says, Welcoming Steps by International Financial Institutions to Help Vulnerable Countries amid COVID-19**

8 April 2021

SC/14490

**At Security Council Debate, Speakers Call for End to Indiscriminate Use of Improvised Explosive Devices**

Expressing deep concern over the high number of civilian casualties caused by landmines, explosive war remnants and improvised explosive devices, the Security Council today reiterated its call on belligerents to "immediately and definitively" end the indiscriminate use of such weapons, as senior Government officials debated ways to rid the world of a pernicious legacy.

5 April 2021

SG/SM/20672

**As COVID-19 Reveals Immoral Inequities in Health System, Secretary-General Observance Message Calls for Applying Policies, Assigning Resources to Ensure Everyone Thrives**

**UN OHCHR** Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Top News*

**Press briefing notes on violence in West Darfur**

**Tribute to Christof Heyns**

**China: UN experts deeply concerned by alleged detention, forced labour of Uyghurs**

**Belarus must end pattern of police brutality and impunity: UN experts**

**CAR: Experts alarmed by government's use of "Russian trainers", close contacts with UN peacekeepers**

**United Nations Human Rights Council** [to 10 Apr 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*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Committee on the Rights of the Child** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children** [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**SRSG/SVC** Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights** [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights** [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 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** Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

07 April 2021

**[The humanitarian community appeals to all stakeholders to join forces to address the humanitarian needs in Cameroon](#)**

05 April 2021

**[Landmines Still Pose a Threat to Two Million Ukrainians \[EN/RU/UK\]](#)**

**Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Resource*



## **COVID-19 Data Explorer: Global Humanitarian Operations**

**UNICEF** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected press releases, news notes and statements*

*Press release 04/08/2021*

**COVAX reaches over 100 economies, 42 days after first international delivery**

*Statement 04/06/2021*

**We need speed and simplicity to remove barriers to the acquisition, manufacture and distribution of COVID-19 vaccines globally**

Statement by UNICEF Executive Director Henrietta Fore

**UNHCR** Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Announcements*

**UNHCR calls for equitable access to COVID-19 vaccines for refugees**

7 Apr 2021

**UNHCR releases powerful social video in support of Refugee Olympic and Paralympic teams**

6 Apr 2021

**UNHCR scales up response as thousands flee attacks in northern Mozambique**

6 Apr 2021

**120,000 refugees assisted to access Iran's health insurance scheme**

6 Apr 2021

**IOM / International Organization for Migration** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

**IOM Calls for Action to Support Families of Missing Migrants**

2021-04-09 10:01

Berlin – Tens of thousands of people live with the pain and uncertainty of not knowing the fate of their relatives and loved ones who went missing or died during migration journeys around the world. Besides the emotional toll, their lives may be forever marked by the many...

**First Comprehensive Global Analysis of COVID-19 Travel Restrictions, Border Closures Weighs Future Impacts on Mobility**

2021-04-08 07:24

*[See Week in Review above for detail]*

**UNAIDS** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements*

6 April 2021

**[Keeping girls in school reduces new HIV infections](#)**

**WHO & Regional Offices** [to 10 Apr 2021]

8 April 2021 News release

**[COVAX reaches over 100 economies, 42 days after first international delivery](#)**

*[See Milestones above for detail]*

8 April 2021 Departmental news

**[Meeting of the Guidelines Development Group \(GDG\) for the update and consolidation of guidelines for safe abortion care](#)**

7 April 2021 Departmental news

**[WHO launches Progress Indicators to measure access to assistive technology](#)**

7 April 2021 Statement

**[Interim statement of the COVID-19 subcommittee of the WHO Global Advisory Committee on Vaccine Safety on AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine](#)**

...Based on current information, a causal relationship between the vaccine and the occurrence of blood clots with low platelets is considered plausible but is not confirmed. Specialised studies are needed to fully understand the potential relationship between vaccination and possible risk factors. The GACVS subcommittee will continue to gather and review further data, as it has done since the beginning of the COVID vaccine programme...

7 April 2021 Joint News Release

**[Alisson Becker and WHO Foundation launch campaign to raise resources and support treatment for COVID-19 patients starting in the Americas](#)**

6 April 2021 News release

**[WHO urges countries to build a fairer, healthier world post-COVID-19](#)**

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**[Weekly Epidemiological Record, Vol. 96, No. 14, pp. 113–116 9 April 2021](#)**

:: 9th Meeting of the WHO Expert Working Group of the Global Influenza Surveillance and Response System for Surveillance of Antiviral Susceptibility

:: Executive summary of the 11th Meeting of the WHO Working Group for the Molecular Detection and Subtyping of Influenza Viruses and the use of next-generation sequencing in the Global Influenza Surveillance and Response System

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**WHO Regional Offices**

*Selected Press Releases, Announcements*

**[WHO African Region AFRO](#)**

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

*No new digest content identified*

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

:: 6 April 2021 News release Address inequities to build a fairer, healthier world: WHO

## **WHO European Region EURO**

:: Uzbekistan strengthens its health system in the midst of COVID-19 crisis 07-04-2021

:: Ensuring safe schooling during COVID-19 07-04-2021

:: Strong chain of care links sectors to deliver essential health services and leave no one behind in Romania 07-04-2021

:: World Health Day: Putting equity at the heart of COVID-19 recovery 06-04-2021

:: Opportunity for improvement as new WHO report sheds light on promotion of unsuitable baby foods in Poland 06-04-2021

## **WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO**

:: Vaccines now effective weapon against COVID-19 in all countries of the Region 7 April 2021

:: Islamic Republic of Iran receives first delivery of COVID-19 vaccines through COVAX Facility 6 April 2021

## **WHO Western Pacific Region**

:: 7 April 2021 | Statement

Virtual press conference on World Health Day and COVID-19 in the Western Pacific

:: 07 April 2021 | Statement

Building a fairer, healthier world - Address by WHO Regional Director for the Western Pacific, Dr Takeshi Kasai, on the occasion of World Health Day 2021, the theme of which is "Building a fairer, healthier world"

## **World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE)** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

## **UNFPA** United Nations Population Fund [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Meetings and events*

*No new digest content identified.*

## **UNDP** United Nations Development Programme [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest from News Centre*

**UN calls for urgent action on debt, vaccines, around the world**

Posted on April 10, 2021

Washington —The United Nations called this week for expanded debt relief to all developing countries that request it and faster, more equitable COVID-19 vaccinations to tackle “unprecedented” fallout from the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

“To avoid a development crisis, the world must avoid a debt crisis,” UNDP Administrator Achim Steiner said on behalf of the United Nations in statements to the World Bank and International Monetary Fund (IMF) Development Committee and to the International Monetary and Financial Committee Board of Governors, gathered virtually for their yearly Spring Meetings. “This is no time for austerity.”

Speaking on behalf of the UN Secretary-General, Steiner also noted that that **84 percent of COVID-19 vaccines administered so far have gone to wealthier countries** and urged swift measures to close major gaps in vaccine funding and production for poor countries.

While the world’s largest economies have mobilized an historic US\$18 trillion in fiscal support, keeping people and economies afloat amid surging poverty, joblessness, and hunger, many developing countries cannot invest in recovery and resilience because of financing constraints, Steiner said.

“The least developed countries have spent 580 times less in per capita terms on their COVID-19 response than advanced economies. This division is starkly reflected in global access to vaccines. The work is not done until vaccines are in arms around the world and until the divergent paths of recovery correct course.”...

### **Business, Human Rights and Conflict Affected Regions: Towards Heightened Action**

Opening remarks by Asako Okai at the Business, Human Rights and Conflict Affected Regions: Towards Heightened Action, as part of UNDP Development Dialogues: Rethinking solutions to crisis in the...  
Posted on April 8, 2021

### **UN Division for Sustainable Development** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

### **UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division** [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Resources*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **UNDRR** UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest news*

*No new digest content identified.*

**UN DESA** United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

09 Apr 2021 | DESA

**[A year into COVID-19 – how do we invest to recover better?](#)**

What have we learned from the ravages of COVID-19, with a global economic standstill and millions of people left reeling in its wake? How do we repair broken systems that failed to prevent this crisis?

08 Apr 2021 | DESA

**[We need effective institutions to get out of this crisis](#)**

Conflict, insecurity, weak institutions and limited access to justice remain a great threat to sustainable development.

07 Apr 2021 | DESA

**[Youth Forum: UN chief calls for 'tangible improvements' in the face of injustice, poor governance](#)**

Leaders across the world need to "move beyond platitudes" about young people...

06 Apr 2021 | DESA

**[Guterres highlights power of sport for inclusive, sustainable future](#)**

The United Nations Secretary-General on Tuesday urged everyone involved in the sport sector to help advance climate action...

05 Apr 2021 | DESA

**[Four things you need to know about youth and SDGs](#)**

Youth are a major force for sustainable development and key agents for social change, economic growth and technological innovation.

**UNESCO** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Latest News*

**[Let's discuss the ethical considerations of COVID-19 vaccination rollout: Making the COVID-19 vaccine a global public good](#)**

08/04/2021

UNESCO, in partnership with Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC), the South African National Bioethics Committee, the Coalition of African National Medical Associations and World Health Organisation (WHO), will host a series of online workshops to discuss the equitable and timely allocation of COVID-19 vaccines in Africa.

The first workshop will take place on 14 April 2021 and will present the UNESCO Statement on Global Equity and Solidarity, and the Africa CDC's Framework for the Fair, Equitable and Timely Allocation of COVID-19 Vaccines in Africa. How can ethical principles such as Global Solidarity, Equity, or Ubuntu be translated into Immunisation Policies and Plans in Africa?... Join the discussion. Register [here](#).

**[UNESCO launches 2021 survey on public access to information](#)**

07/04/2021

UNESCO has kicked off a global survey on public access to information, putting into practice its status as the custodian agency in the UN for monitoring the right to access to information. Using Sustainable development indicator 16.10.2, the new survey will track progress on how states are adopting and implementing legally binding guarantees for public access to information.

The 2021 survey on Access to Information will be launched during the World Bank online consultation for the next "World Development Report 2021: Data for Better Lives".

Previous surveys by UNESCO have raised awareness that states as the duty-bearers responsible for ensuring access to information and data are often themselves in a position of having very limited data about performance of the very institutions charged with this duty.

The launch of the new survey will help to generate new data and further pinpoint where progress is needed. It will also be an opportunity to share concrete examples on how data on the monitoring of SDG 16.10.2 can improve lives and links to other SDGs...

### **International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS)** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Announcements*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **UNODC** United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

06/04/2021 –

**[South American crackdown on illegal gun trade reveals serious trafficking despite pandemic](#)**

### **UN-HABITAT** United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 10 Apr 2021]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

*No new digest content identified.*

### **FAO** Food & Agriculture Organization [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

### **World Food Programme** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News releases*

8 April 2021

**[France supports WFP's agricultural resilience-building projects in the south of Iraq](#)**

BAGHDAD – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) welcomed a 250,000 Euro contribution from France towards agricultural resilience-building activities in Basra governorate – in the south of Iraq, that will support 7,500 people and their families.

8 April 2021



### **Funding gap forces World Food Programme to cut food rations in South Sudan**

JUBA – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) is cutting food rations for refugees and internally displaced people in the country due to significant funding gaps.

6 April 2021

### **Scale of acute hunger in the Democratic Republic of the Congo “staggering”, FAO, WFP warn**

Over 27 million Congolese – one in three people - now critically hungry

Kinshasa/Rome – In the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), the food security situation remains dire with one in three people – a record high - suffering from acute hunger, two United Nations agencies, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the World Food Programme (WFP) warned today.

5 April 2021

### **Japan renews its support to WFP to assist in-camp Syrian refugees in Turkey**

ANKARA – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) has welcomed a contribution of US\$700,000 from the Government of Japan to provide assistance for 52,000 Syrian refugees living in six camps in southeast Turkey.

**ILO** International Labour Organization [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Decent work*

### **ILO calls for urgent action to create decent jobs in Syria**

08 April 2021

ILO Director-General, Guy Ryder, has called for a strong push to develop formal employment in Syria as part of the humanitarian efforts deployed in the country. Decent work opportunities and decent livelihoods will contribute to creating resilience and to promoting peace highlighted Ryder in a message to the Brussels conference on Syria.

*UN Year: End Child Labour 2021*

### **Juan Diego Flórez: Music offers hope to children**

07 April 2021

The Music Against Child Labour Initiative's international song competition will be judged by celebrated opera singer, Juan Diego Flórez.

*COVID-19: Protecting workers in the workplace*

### **Protect the mental health of health and care workers in the COVID-19 pandemic**

07 April 2021

Health and care workers have been at the forefront of the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic for more than a year. It has resulted in heavier workloads and longer working hours, with insufficient time for rest and recuperation while continuously being exposed to the risk of infection. In addition, many face violence, harassment and stigmatization as they try to do their jobs. All this is taking a toll on health workers' mental health and wellbeing.

**ICAO** International Civil Aviation Organization [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest News*

**Commemoration of the passing of former ICAO Secretary General Yves Lambert**

9/4/21

**Transformation and solidarity key to post-pandemic recovery, ICAO tells tourism Crisis Committee**

9/4/21

**IMO** International Maritime Organization [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest Press Briefings*

*No new digest content identified.*

**WMO** World Meteorological Organization [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**UPU** Universal Postal Union [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**International Organization for Standardization (ISO)** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

By Clare Naden on 7 April 2021

**World Health Day 2021**

Building a fairer, healthier world with ISO standards.

By Kath Lockett on 6 April 2021

**Putting patients first**

More and more, health systems are addressing the concept of patient-centered care and ISO is at the forefront of this development.

**UNWTO** World Tourism Organization [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*All Regions, Working Together, COVID-19*

**[Advancing Harmonized Travel Protocols and Financing Tourism's Survival](#)**

09 Apr 2021

**WIPO** World Intellectual Property Organization [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**CBD** Convention on Biological Diversity [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Announcements*

**[Webinar series on digital sequence information on genetic resources](#)**

*Four webinars on DSI will take place in December 2020 and April 2021.*

The Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity, in collaboration with the ABS Capacity Development Initiative, is organising an informal global webinar series to share information related to [digital sequence information on genetic resources \(DSI\)](#).

**[UN Biodiversity Convention's science and implementation bodies to meet -- 3 May - 13 June 2021](#)**

[Press Release](#)

[SBSTTA-24 and SBI-3 Meeting Details](#)

[Preparations for the Post-2020 Biodiversity Framework](#)

**DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://www.darpa.mil/news>

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

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**USAID** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/2021>

*Selected Press Releases, Statements, Announcements*

**[United States Announces More than \\$152 Million in Additional Humanitarian Assistance for the People Affected by Tigray Crisis](#)**

April 8, 2021

In response to growing needs in Ethiopia's Tigray region, the United States, through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), is providing more than \$152 million in additional humanitarian assistance. The United States is the largest donor of humanitarian assistance in Ethiopia, and this latest announcement brings the total contributed by the American people for the people in Tigray to nearly \$305 million.

**[United States Announces Additional Assistance for Palestinians](#)**

April 7, 2021

The United States, through the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), is providing \$75 million in assistance to communities in the West Bank and Gaza to meet basic needs, re-engage Palestinian society, and support economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. USAID is also providing \$10 million for peacebuilding programs, including between Israelis and Palestinians. This assistance, subject to Congressional approval, is part of a larger U.S. government effort to support a lasting and sustainable peace for the people of the region through a two-state solution. This assistance follows USAID's earlier announcement of \$15 million in humanitarian assistance funding to support the West Bank and Gaza's vulnerable communities.

### **USAID Deploys Disaster Assistance Response Team to Address Rising Humanitarian Needs in Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador**

April 6, 2021

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is deploying a Disaster Assistance Response Team to respond to urgent humanitarian needs in Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador.

### **USAID and IDB Announce \$2 Million in Awards to Support Venezuelans and Their Host Communities with Inclusion, Gender Equality and Entrepreneurship, Employment, and Education Opportunities**

April 6, 2021

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) announced \$2 million for the final six BetterTogether/JuntosEsMejor Challenge awards to benefit Venezuelans and their host communities in Brazil, Ecuador, Panama, Peru and Guyana.

**Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office** [nee DFID] [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office>

*Selected Press Releases. Announcements*

*No new digest content identified.*

**ECHO** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest News*

### **Southern Africa and Indian Ocean: the EU allocates €24.5 million in humanitarian aid**

09/04/2021

The EU announced today new funding of €24.5 million in humanitarian aid for the Southern Africa and Indian Ocean region. EU humanitarian aid to the region seeks to provide a response to the humanitarian consequences of the conflict in northern...

### **Coronavirus: Team Europe continues to deliver with more than €26 billion disbursed in support to partner countries in one year**

08/04/2021

One year ago today, the European Commission and the High Representative set out plans for a targeted EU response to support partner countries' efforts in tackling the Coronavirus pandemic combining resources from the EU, its Member States and...

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**African Union** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

**New report reveals regional partnerships are key to COVID-19 recovery**

April 06, 2021

**JLMP poised to expand support to labour migration governance in Africa**

April 05, 2021

**ASEAN** Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Secretariat News*

**Youth's vital role for COVID-19 recovery in the ASEAN region**

BANGKOK, 8 April 2021 – Today, ASEAN, China, and the UN Development Programme (UNDP) held the 5th ASEAN-China-UNDP Symposium: Enhancing the Roles of Youth in Achieving the SDGs, attended by youth, government officials and other stakeholders from across the Asia-Pacific region, as part of a long-term partnership to work together to support the acceleration of [...]

**European Commission** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest*

*Press release* 9 April 2021

**Humanitarian aid: €24.5 million in Southern Africa and Indian Ocean region**

The EU announced today new funding of €24.5 million in humanitarian aid for the Southern Africa and Indian Ocean region.

*Press release* 7 April 2021

**Coronavirus: Commission mobilises €123 million for research and innovation to combat the threat of variants**

The Commission is mobilising €123 million from Horizon Europe, the new EU research and innovation programme, for urgent research into coronavirus variants. This first emergency funding under Horizon Europe adds to a range of EU-funded research and innovation actions to fight the coronavirus and contributes to the Commission's overall action to prevent, mitigate and respond to the impact of coronavirus variants, in line with the new European bio-defence preparedness plan HERA Incubator...

**OECD** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<http://www.oecd.org/newsroom/publicationsdocuments/bydate/>

*Top Stories*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Organization of American States (OAS)** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

## **Statement from the OAS General Secretariat on the Hunger Strike of the Cuban dissidents and the Responsibility of the Dictatorship**

April 7, 2021

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS) expresses its greatest alarm over the delicate situation of the 27 people who are on hunger strike against the repressive practices of the Cuban dictatorship, and holds the dictatorship responsible for having led to this extreme by its repression against the Patriotic Union of Cuba (UNPACU) and its members...

## **Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 10 Apr 2021]**

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

*Selected Press Releases*

## **OIC Welcomes US Commitment to Two-State Solution and Resumption of Aid to Palestinians**

The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) welcomed the statements of US President Joe Biden regarding his commitment to the two-state solution as a basis for resolving the Palestinian-Israeli conflict. The OIC also welcomed the announcement by US Secretary of State Antony Blinken to resume the US aid to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), in addition to providing support for development projects totalling (235) million dollars....  
08/04/2021

## **Group of 77 [to 10 Apr 2021]**

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

*Latest Statements and Speeches*

*No new digest content identified.*

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## **UNCTAD [to 10 Apr 2021]**

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

## **World Customs Organization – WCO [to 10 Apr 2021]**

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

*Latest News – Selected Items*

*No new digest content identified.*

## **WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 10 Apr 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*

*No new digest content identified.*

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**IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**International Court of Justice** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**International Criminal Court (ICC)** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

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

*News*

**Statement by ICC Prosecutor, Fatou Bensouda, at the conclusion of her visit to Mali: "Cultural heritage must no longer be attacked and destroyed with impunity."**

*Statement* 6 April 2021

"...As I stated at the ceremony, when cultural property is destroyed, it erases the past, never to be lived again, leading to an irreplaceable loss to humanity. We must pool our resources and within our respective mandates, collectively address the serious issue of the destruction of cultural heritage in war and conflict. No actor alone is able to effectively fight impunity for atrocity crimes and protect cultural heritage. Joint action and collaboration are essential. We must indeed #unite4heritage..."

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**World Bank** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected News, Announcements*

**Remarks by World Bank Group President David Malpass to the Spring Meetings 2021 Development Committee**

Thank you very much, Chair. Good morning, good afternoon, good evening everyone, and welcome to the Development Committee. Let me start by thanking Prime Minister Mottley as the Development Committee...

Date: April 09, 2021 Type: Speeches and Transcripts

**World Bank's Response to COVID-19 (Coronavirus) in Africa**

More than a year into the pandemic, slower spread of the coronavirus and lower COVID-19-related mortality, decisive actions by countries to save lives and livelihoods, and a faster-than expected recovery...

Date: April 08, 2021 Type: Factsheet

**COVID 19: Debt Service Suspension Initiative**

In the interest of greater transparency, this webpage offers a country-by-country accounting of DSSI participants and the amounts they owe to creditors, based on information from the World Bank's International...

Date: April 08, 2021 Type: Brief

### **Message of His Holiness Pope Francis to the World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund**

I am grateful for the kind invitation to address the participants in the World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund 2021 Spring Meetings by means of this letter, which I have entrusted to Cardinal...

Date: April 07, 2021 Type: Statement

### **The World Bank Approves US\$150 Million to Support COVID-19 Vaccination in Ecuador**

WASHINGTON D.C., April 5, 2021 – The World Bank Board of Directors approved US\$150 million in additional financing for the COVID-19 Emergency Response Project in Ecuador. This is the first World Bank-...

Date: April 05, 2021 Type: Press Release Language: English

### **Addressing Marine Plastics in Latin America and the Caribbean**

Background Marine pollution is a threat to the region's resilience to climate change and to its economy, particularly for countries in the Caribbean and Central America. Marine ecosystems provide a vital...

Date: April 05, 2021 Type: Brief

**IMF** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News, Announcements*

April 7, 2021

### **IMF Launches Climate Change Indicators Dashboard**

April 6, 2021

### **Funding the Recovery of Low-income Countries After COVID – IMF Blog**

We find that an additional \$250 billion is required.

**African Development Bank Group** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

### **African presidents and global leaders support bold action on climate change adaptation for Africa**

07-Apr-2021 - In a historic and united show of solidarity for a continent that contributes only 5% to global emissions, more than 30 heads of state and global leaders committed to prioritize actions that help African countries adapt to the impacts of climate change and "build forward better." Africa now faces the dual onslaught of climate change – currently estimated at between \$7 billion and \$15 billion each year – and Covid-19, which has claimed 114,000 lives. The African Development Bank expects that the impact of climate change on the continent could...

**Asian Development Bank** [to 10 Apr 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]*

*Latest News Releases*  
*No new digest content identified.*

**Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank** [to 10 Apr 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*

*No new digest content identified.*

**IFAD** International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Islamic Development Bank** [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

*Communiqués de presse*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA)** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://alima.ngo/en/>

*PRESS RELEASES*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Amref Health Africa** [to 10 Apr 2021]  
<https://newsroom.amref.org/category/press-releases/>  
*Selected Press Releases*  
*No new digest content identified.*

**Aravind Eye Care System** [to 10 Apr 2021]  
<https://aravind.org/>  
*Aravind News*  
*No new digest content identified.*

**Blue Shield International** [to 10 Apr 2021]  
<https://theblueshield.org/category/bsi-news/>  
*BSI News*  
*No new digest content identified.*

**BRAC** [to 10 Apr 2021]  
<http://www.brac.net/#news>  
*Latest*  
April 08, 2021  
[Walking through the remains of the Balukhali Rohingya camp](#)

April 05, 2021  
[How all-women village solidarity committees are helping women escape poverty](#)

**Clubhouse International** [to 10 Apr 2021]  
<http://www.clubhouse-intl.org/news.html>  
*News/Events*  
*No new digest content identified.*

**Danish Refugee Council** [to 10 Apr 2021]  
<https://drc.ngo/>  
*Press Releases*  
Ethiopia  
[Joint Statement Calling for the Protection of Humanitarian Aid Workers in Ethiopia](#)

1. April 2021

In light of two recent attacks on humanitarians in Ethiopia, DRC joins the Humanitarian International NGO (HINGOs) Forum and calls for the protection of all humanitarian aid workers and civilians to enable assistance to reach all people in need in Ethiopia.

**ECPAT** [to 10 Apr 2021]  
<http://www.ecpat.net/news>  
*News from ECPAT*

*No new digest content identified.*

**EIFL – Electronic Information for Libraries** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*EIFL works with libraries to enable access to knowledge for education, learning, research and sustainable community development*

*News*

**Ugandan libraries building digital skills for the future**

07 Apr 2021

In Soroti Public Library, 300 miles north of Kampala, excitement is growing about a new 'Digital Skills @ Your Public Library' project...

**Fountain House** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases/Events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**GE2P2 Global** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News/Analysis/Statements/Webinars*

:: Past weekly editions of *Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review* are [available here](#).

**Humanity & Inclusion** [nee Handicap International] [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

**HI assists the most vulnerable as violence hits northern districts**

*Emergency / Mozambique / PUBLISHED ON April 7th 2021*

For several days, HI's teams have been working to guide and assist vulnerable populations - pregnant women, older people, people with disabilities, and children - displaced by recent fighting in Palma, northern Mozambique. They urgently need access to water, food and shelter...

**Heifer International** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports*

*No new digest content identified.*

**HelpAge International** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://www.helpage.org/newsroom/latest-news/>

*Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports*

**States continue to fail older people at UN**

The 11th session of the Open-ended Working Group on Ageing took place last week while the COVID-19 pandemic continues and in the aftermath of some of the gravest violations of older people's rights.

Posted: 07 April 2021

**ICRC** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports*

### **The Potential Human Cost of the Use of Weapons in Outer Space and the Protection Afforded by International Humanitarian Law**

While space objects have been employed for military purposes since the dawn of the space era, the weaponization of outer space would increase the likelihood of hostilities in outer space, with potentially significant impacts for civilians on earth.

09 April 2021

*[See Week in Review for detail]*

### **The international community must redouble its efforts to address the challenges facing mine action**

Statement of the ICRC to the UNSC about mine action and sustaining peace: Stronger partnerships for better delivery.

08-04-2021 | Statement

### **International Humanitarian Law Bibliography**

The ICRC International Humanitarian Law Bibliography lists references to English and French publications on international humanitarian law.

06-04-2021 | Article

**IFRC** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases, Announcements*

*Middle East and North Africa*

### **New Red Cross Red Crescent analysis shows deep inequalities in COVID-19 response across Middle East and North Africa**

Beirut, 8 April 2021 (IFRC) – The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) is seeking “urgent and sizeable investment” to ensure the region’s pandemic response leaves no one behind

... New analysis released today by the IFRC highlights significant inequalities in COVID-19 vaccination rates across the MENA region. According to this analysis:

:: Less than 5 per cent of vaccine doses administered in MENA Region have been administered in the eight countries facing severe or very severe humanitarian crises.

:: Only a third (37 per cent) of doses of COVID-19 vaccine administered in MENA Region have been reported administered in countries experiencing any type of humanitarian crisis, whether conflict, complex emergencies, displacement, or others.

:: Among MENA countries that have administered any vaccine doses, the country reporting the most doses per capita, UAE, reports having administered 510 times more doses per capita than Algeria.



Hossam Khalil Elsharkawi, Regional Director of the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA), said: "The Middle East and North Africa hosts some of the world's most protracted humanitarian crises. This analysis shows that people in these settings are more likely than the general population to be infected, are more likely to die once infected, and are least likely to be appropriately supported through the response, including through vaccination campaigns.

"While there is clearly a growing recognition of the importance of equitable vaccine access, this is not yet translating into investment in all the systems that are needed to turn this ambition into a reality. The Red Cross Red Crescent Movement plan focuses on reaching the last mile and ensuring that no one is left behind. To continue to play this role, we need urgent and sizeable investment."...

### **International Medical Corps (IMC)** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases/Updates / Alerts*

*Press Release*

#### **International Medical Corps Partners with the Western Union Foundation to Address Global Health Needs and Resiliency**

LOS ANGELES, CA, April 8, 2021—International Medical Corps and the Western Union Foundation are partnering in 2021 to address some of the most pressing global health issues and humanitarian crises globally. Working together since 2006, International Medical Corps and the Western Union Foundation have responded to emergencies and natural disasters around the world, including the ...

*Press Release*

#### **International Medical Corps Announces New AGFUND Grant Supporting Primary Healthcare Services in Erbil, Iraq**

LOS ANGELES, CA, April 7, 2021—The Arab Gulf Programme for Development (AGFUND) has expanded its support to Syrian refugees in Erbil, Iraq, by providing a \$100,000 grant to International Medical Corps, a global humanitarian organization. The project, which started in March 2021, will last for nine months and deliver lifesaving health services and equipment, including ...

### **IRC International Rescue Committee** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Media highlights [Selected]*

*Press Release*

#### **As wealthy countries look toward a return to normalcy, many impacted by conflict and crisis are experiencing significant increases in COVID-19 cases and deaths with little hope for a vaccine this year**

April 7, 2021

:: With the emergence of more contagious and more deadly variants, many crisis-affected countries are experiencing significant upticks in COVID-19 cases and deaths.

:: Places like Kenya, Venezuela, Yemen, Ethiopia, and northeast Syria seeing average daily case increases of 322%, 91%, 379%, 289%, and 529% respectively between early and late March.

:: This World Health Day, we call on the international community to focus their investments on strengthening health systems in crisis-affected countries and to donate excess vaccine doses through the COVAX Facility.

**IRCT** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://irct.org/>

*Latest News*

*News* 08 Apr 2021

**[IRCT humbled by donation: Edward Brown's legacy lives!](#)**

*Newsnn* 07 Apr 2021

**[Distinguished IFEG Expert Morris Tidball-Binz Appointed UN Special Rapporteur on Extrajudicial, Summary or Arbitrary Executions](#)**

**Islamic Relief Worldwide** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases*

**[Families flee their homes amid conflict in the Philippines](#)**

Published: 9 April, 2021

**[Another Restricted Ramadan: Take care of your body](#)**

Published: 9 April, 2021

**[More than a word: How excellence is fuelling dignity and hope in Gaza this Ramadan](#)**

Published: 5 April, 2021

**Landsea** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Medecins du Monde** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Mercy Corps** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News Releases & Alerts*

April 09, 2021

**[Mercy Corps Welcomes the Biden Administration's Increased Investments in Humanitarian Assistance](#)**

**MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest [Selected Announcements]*

*Libya*

## **Libya: One dead and two injured in shooting in Tripoli detention centre**

Press Release 9 Apr 2021

*Ethiopia*

## **Asylum seekers trapped in appalling conditions in Gambella region**

Project Update 9 Apr 2021

*DRC Ebola outbreaks*

## **DRC's twelfth Ebola outbreak**

Crisis Update 8 Apr 2021

## **Operation Smile** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

### **Program Schedule**

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

## **OXFAM** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

## **G20 fails on promise to rebalance the global economy and provide major relief: Oxfam reaction**

7 April 2021

Responding to the G20 Finance Ministers' meeting today, Nadia Daar, Head of Oxfam's Washington DC Office, said: "The G20 is not delivering on its promise to rebalance the global economy and provide major relief. It has simply extended a freeze on bilateral debt-service payments through year-end, pushing the can down the road once again. If debt cancellation is not part of the solution, the world's poorest countries will continue to struggle to cope with the pandemic and its devastating effects.

## **Failure to vaccinate globally could cost up to \$2,000 per person this year in rich nations**

6 April 2021

Rich countries must open the way to cheaper mass-produced COVID-19 vaccines in order to protect every person in the world and avert a \$9 trillion "worst case" global economic catastrophe, said Oxfam today. They should also agree this week to inject \$650 billion more into the global economy to help developing countries cope with the pandemic's already devastating effects.

## **Norwegian Refugee Council** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest news*

*Nigeria* | 11. Apr 2021

## **International aid facilities attacked again in northeast Nigeria**

Yesterday, armed groups launched an attack on Damasak town, northeast Nigeria. During the attack compounds belonging to multiple relief agencies and warehouses containing humanitarian stock were looted and set on fire. This is the second attack targeting humanitarians in the past two months in northeast Nigeria, and the fourth attack on Damasak town and its surrounding area this year.

**Pact** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Partners In Health** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**PATH** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Plan International/BORNEfonden** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*No new digest content identified.*

**Save The Children** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

8 April 2021 - *Mozambique*

**'Safety of children must be front and centre in any response in Cabo Delgado'**

8 April 2021 - *Romania*

**ROMANIA: UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN CAUGHT IN AN INVISIBLE CRISIS**

7 April 2021 - *United Kingdom*

**G20 must work harder on debt relief for poorer countries**

7 April 2021 - *Indonesia*

**'Disaster upon disaster' for children in Indonesia as 100,000 have exams disrupted by flash floods**

**Tostan** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<http://www.tostan.org>

*News/Events*

**[STORY 3/30] Mah Cissé**

Apr 10, 2021

The 30th anniversary of Tostan is an opportunity to honor Kadidia Sounfountera known as Mah Cissé, Coordinator of the Community Management Committee of Yirimadio in Mali. Discover her exclusive interview here!

**Women for Women International** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Blogs & Updates*

April 7, 2021

By: Antoinette Uwimana

**To Grow a Peaceful Future in Rwanda, Invest in Women**

**World Vision** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<http://wvi.org/>

*Newsroom*

**Press Release: Prioritise Ending Violence Against Children in and around Schools - Child Rights Organizations**

April 9th 2021

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**Electronic Frontiers Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Freedom House** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://freedomhouse.org/>

*Latest Updates*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Human Rights Watch** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Featured Commentary, Announcements, Statements*

April 9, 2021

**US: Congress Advances Slavery Reparations Bill**

The US Congress will take a historic step on April 14, 2021 when a congressional committee is to vote on a slavery reparations bill. The centuries-long injustices of slavery and its legacy, fueling the persistence of racial inequality today, remain largely unaccounted for. As states, cities, and other institutions pursue reckonings, Congress should step up to lead the nation in accounting and atoning for the ongoing impact of slavery. The committee vote on H.R. 40 is a crucial step in that direction.

April 8, 2021

News Release

**Syria: Government Stealing Opponents' Land**

April 8, 2021

Report

**Chad: Pre-Election Crackdown on Opponents**

**Transparency International** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press*

*No new digest content identified.*

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**ChildFund Alliance** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

*News/ Statements*

*No new digest content identified.*

**CONCORD** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<http://concordeurope.org/>

*Latest News and Events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**The Elders** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Press Releases and Major Announcements*

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Evidence Aid** [to 10 Apr 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*

**Genetic variations in COVID-19 patients (multiple reviews)Added April 7, 2021**

**Interleukin-6 blocking agents for treating COVID-19 patients (search up to 25 February 2021)Added April 6, 2021**

**Gavi** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News Releases*

8 April 2021

**COVAX reaches over 100 economies, 42 days after first international deliver**

**Getty Conservation Institute** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Global Fund** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News & Stories*

*News*

**[Global Fund Thanks Germany for EUR 140 million Contribution](#)**

08 April 2021

The Global Fund applauds Germany's leadership in the global response to COVID-19 and warmly welcomes an additional contribution of EUR 140 million to support Global Fund efforts to fight the COVID-19 pandemic in low- and middle-income countries and mitigate the impact on HIV, tuberculosis and malaria programs, including through deploying diagnostic tests and protecting front-line health workers.

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**Hilton Prize Coalition** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Website not responding at inquiry...a continuing condition.*

**ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

*Latest resources, events, content*

**[Humanitarian Networks and Partnerships Weeks \(HNPW\) 2021](#)**

April 19, 2021 (All day) to May 9, 2021 (All day)

Online

**InterAction** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest Updates*

Humanitarian Practice

**[New InterAction Research Confirms Global Counter-Terror Efforts Harm and Curtail the Delivery of Humanitarian Aid](#)**

Lindsay Hamsik, Lissette Almanza

Apr 6, 2021

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**3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Publications/Events/Blogs*  
*No new digest content identified.*

**CHS Alliance** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

*Our Impact*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Development Initiatives** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

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**Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action (ALNAP)** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News/Blog/Events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Disasters Emergency Committee** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*LATEST PRESS RELEASES*

*No new digest content identified.*

**EHLRA/R2HC/HIF** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies** [nee CERAH] – [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://humanitarianstudies.ch/>

*News/Events*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Groupe URD** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Publications, Events, News*

*No new digest content identified.*



**International Humanitarian Studies Association** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://ihsa.info/>

*Weekly humanitarian blog posts selection*

**Actions to prevent conflict and famine**

29th March-4th April

This week conflict features largely in our selection. Contributions on Yemen and Myanmar highlight that to prevent severe famine and end war crimes we need to stop arms sales or use targeted sanctions against military companies. Other posts focus on analysis and information. Much is known about the role of land tenure in conflict but little of this knowledge is included in conflict analysis tools. How social media can spread misinformation, disinformation, and hate speech, in situations of conflict needs much more attention as it has the potential to exacerbate conflict. Finally, we include blog posts on the Rwandan refugee crisis of 1997 – which asks whether this was in fact another genocide – and on the need to prepare cities for the impact of migration.

**INEE** – an international network for education in emergencies [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://inee.org/>

*News*

*Report*

**Humanitarian-Development Coherence in Education: working together in crisis contexts**

7 April 2021

The purpose of this report is to demystify the concept of humanitarian-development coherence. Using the New Ways of Working definition, or working over multiple years toward collective outcomes based on the comparative advantage of a diverse range of actors, this paper recapitulates the concept of humanitarian-development coherence and why it is critical, provides an overview of barriers to coherence in the education sector and identifies illustrative examples of coherent action.

The report proposes a set of actions and recommendations to strengthen humanitarian-development coherence in the education sector, with guidelines for education stakeholders to take collective action and advocate for improved coherence within their own agencies and across the education sector's full spectrum of policy and programming. It is aimed at a broad range of humanitarian, development, government and civil society actors who are working to ensure that all individuals have the right to a quality, safe, relevant and equitable education.

Report PDF: <https://inee.org/system/files/resources/Humanitarian-Development%20Coherence%20in%20Education%20v1.0%20EN.pdf>

**Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP)** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://phap.org/>

*Association news, events*

**Recording now available – Community-based protection, early warning, and conflict preparedness**

4/6/2021

On 30 March, PHAP and the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) organized the second of a two-part series [...]

**Sphere** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Start Network** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News and Blog*

**New tool launched for responsible use of scientific data within humanitarian projects**

by Helen James

08 Apr 21

Start Network has today launched a guide for scientists and humanitarians to encourage the responsible use of scientific data in humanitarian decision-making.

This guide has been developed by Start Network as a result of its work with the Drought Risk Finance Science Laboratory (DRiSL) and is being launched as part of its work to shift humanitarian funding from reactive to proactive, from late to early, using data as a key driver of proactive decisions.

The guide, Scientific due diligence for humanitarian disaster risk financing, aims to ensure that due care is taken in the design of Disaster Risk Finance (DRF) systems, by enabling providers of scientific data and models to better meet the expectations of the humanitarian users of those products.

It also aims to ensure communities at risk of disasters are involved from the outset to capture on-the-ground forecasting knowledge, empower local responders, make use of local capacity and give agency to those at risk.

The guide, which is available in PDF format and as a video, sets out eight checkpoints that data scientists and humanitarian practitioners can follow together...

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**Brookings**

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

*Accessed 10 Apr 2021*

*Global Development*

**Social and development impact bonds by the numbers**

Emily Gustafsson-Wright, Izzy Boggild-Jones, Onyeka Nwabunnia, and Sarah Osborne

Thursday, April 8, 2021

*Race in American Public Policy*

**Neighborhood segregation persists for Black, Latino or Hispanic, and Asian Americans**

William H. Frey

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

*Report*

**Revisiting and going beyond the EU-Turkey migration agreement of 2016**

Kemal Kirişci

April 2021

*China*

**China as a 'cyber great power': Beijing's two voices in telecommunications**

Rush Doshi, Emily de La Bruyère, Nathan Picarsic, and John Ferguson

April 2021

*Report*

**Employment creation potential, labor skills requirements, and skill gaps for young people: A Senegal case study**

Ahmadou Aly Mbaye, Fatou Gueye, Assane Beye, Abdou Khadir Dia, and Massaer Mbaye

Monday, April 5, 2021

**Center for Global Development** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Publication*

April 8, 2021

**"Tens of Millions" to "Hundreds of Millions": Synthetic Credit to Enable Private Funding for Infrastructure in Low-Income Countries**

As the Biden administration turns its attention to infrastructure legislation in the United States, it is important to focus on the role investment in infrastructure financing can play in the recovery. This note covers a policy proposal for a credit enhancement instrument, using concessional financing, from development finance institutions to enable low-income countries (LICs) to attract private finance in infrastructure. It is an incremental iteration of the World Bank's ambitious "billions to trillions" campaign.

[W. Gyude Moore](#)

April 7, 2021

**Brief: Promoting Women's Economic Empowerment in the COVID-19 Context**

In this policy brief, we summarize the findings of a CGD working paper, Promoting Women's Economic Empowerment in the COVID-19 Context. We explore the impacts of the crisis on women's economic opportunities and outcomes, document the extent to which governments and donors are taking action to respond to these impacts, and make recommendations for how decision-makers can elevate women's economic empowerment as a priority in response and recovery efforts.

[Megan O'Donnell](#) , [Mayra Buvinic](#) , [Charles Kenny](#) , [Shelby Bourgault](#) and [George Yang](#)

April 7, 2021

**Brief: Addressing the COVID-19 Crisis's Indirect Health Impacts for Women and Girls**

In this policy brief, we summarize the findings of a CGD working paper, Addressing the COVID-19 Crisis's Indirect Health Impacts for Women and Girls. We examine how the pandemic is affecting women's and girl's health, including their sexual and reproductive health; some of the ways national governments and donor institutions have sought to maintain the provision of essential health services; and existing gaps, opportunities, and promising strategies donors and governments should pursue to address indirect harms to women's and girl's health during and beyond the COVID-19 crisis.

[Carleigh Krubiner](#) , [Megan O'Donnell](#) , [Julia Kaufman](#) and [Shelby Bourgault](#)

April 7, 2021

**Addressing the COVID-19 Crisis's Indirect Health Impacts for Women and Girls**

The paper examines some ways national governments have sought to maintain provision of essential health services and reviews the extent to which donor institutions have prioritized financial, technical, and other forms of support to mitigate disruptions. It concludes by highlighting existing gaps, opportunities, and promising strategies that donors and governments should pursue to address indirect harms to women's and girl's health during and beyond the COVID-19 crisis.

[Carleigh Krubiner](#) , [Megan O'Donnell](#) , [Julia Kaufman](#) and [Shelby Bourgault](#)

April 7, 2021

### **[The Gendered Dimensions of Social Protection in the COVID-19 Context](#)**

This paper, part of a series documenting the gendered dimensions of the COVID-19 crisis, focuses on the role of social protection policies and programs in addressing gender inequalities, or in some cases risking their exacerbation.

[Megan O'Donnell](#) , [Mayra Buvinic](#) , [Shelby Bourgault](#) and [Brian Webster](#)

April 7, 2021

### **[Promoting Women's Economic Empowerment in the COVID-19 Context](#)**

When health crises like COVID-19 emerge, the shocks to economic, social, and health systems can have different implications for women and girls, with gendered impacts across various dimensions of wellbeing. This paper, part of a series documenting the gendered impacts of the pandemic, focuses on women's economic empowerment.

[Megan O'Donnell](#) , [Mayra Buvinic](#) , [Charles Kenny](#) , [Shelby Bourgault](#) and [George Yang](#)

April 7, 2021

### **[The Impacts of Health Crises on Women & Girls: How Historical Evidence Can Inform Assessment and Recovery through a Gender Lens](#)**

This paper presents a conceptual framework on the effects of health crises on women and girls with an eye toward understanding the growing evidence base for the COVID-19 pandemic. When health crises like COVID-19 emerge, the simultaneous shocks to economic, social, and health systems can have different implications for women and girls.

[Megan O'Donnell](#) , [Mayra Buvinic](#) , [Carleigh Krubiner](#) and [Shelby Bourgault](#)

April 7, 2021

### **[Brief: The Gendered Dimensions of Social Protection in the COVID-19 Context](#)**

In this policy brief, we summarize the findings of a CGD working paper, The Gendered Dimensions of Social Protection in the COVID-19 Context. We explore the role of social protection, with an emphasis on social assistance policies and programs, in addressing increasing poverty, food insecurity, unpaid care work, and gender-based violence—all exacerbated by the onset of the crisis and associated containment measures. We document these trends and how they disproportionately impact women and girls, as well as the extent to which governments and donors are integrating a gender lens into their social protection efforts and make recommendations to ensure that future efforts effectively reach and benefit women and girls.

[Megan O'Donnell](#) , [Mayra Buvinic](#) , [Shelby Bourgault](#) and [Brian Webster](#)

April 5, 2021

### **[Tracking the Scale and Speed of the World Bank's COVID Response: April 2021 Update](#)**

Last year at this time, the World Bank announced its intention to provide \$104 billion in financing to developing country governments to help them respond to the COVID-19 crisis. We took stock of those efforts seven months ago. More than a year into the pandemic, it's time to check in again on the Bank's crisis financing. We revisit four basic questions about the Bank's lending performance since it originally announced its COVID response.

[Scott Morris](#) , [Justin Sandefur](#) and [George Yang](#)

April 5, 2021

## **Vaccine Financing: How a Redesigned IMF Instrument Can Provide a Shot in the Arm for the Global Pandemic Response**

A new IMF rapid credit window could provide some \$30 billion to cover the vaccine financing needs for most developing countries through 2021-22. The mechanism would facilitate collective action to negotiate increased production, the main obstacle to achieving vaccine coverage and rectifying the gross inequities in current distribution. It would remain in place for future global pandemic responses.

[John Hicklin](#) and [Hannah Brown](#)

## **CSIS**

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

*Accessed 10 Apr 2021*

*Selected Report/Events  
Report*

### **Supporting Syrian Refugees amidst Lebanon's Crises**

April 9, 2021 | [Will Todman](#) Syrian refugees are especially vulnerable amid Lebanon's free fall. The United States should seize opportunities to improve conditions for vulnerable Lebanese and Syrians in tandem.

*Report*

### **Reimagining the U.S. Strategy in the Caribbean**

April 8, 2021 | [Daniel F. Runde](#), [Linnea Sandin](#) The U.S. footprint in the Caribbean has traditionally been light, and a reimagined approach to U.S. policy in the region should be holistic and long-term.

*Report*

### **Linking National Security and Innovation: Part 1**

April 7, 2021 | [James Andrew Lewis](#) How the United States creates new technology has changed dramatically. Government is now the "tail" on the innovation "dog" and much adapt to this new environment to better link national security and innovation.

**Rand** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Research Reports, Featured Journal Articles*

*Report*

### **The U.S. Criminal Justice System in the Pandemic Era and Beyond: Taking Stock of Efforts to Maintain Safety and Justice Through the COVID-19 Pandemic and Prepare for Future Challenges**

The Priority Criminal Justice Needs Initiative convened a set of workshops with justice practitioners to take stock of responses to the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic. They identified key challenges, system innovations, and lessons for the future.

Apr 8, 2021

Brian A. Jackson, Michael J. D. Vermeer, Dulani Woods, Duren Banks, Sean E. Goodison, Joe Russo, Jeremy D. Barnum, Camille Gourdet, Lynn Langton, Michael G. Planty, Shoshana R. Shelton, Siara I. Sitar, Amanda R. Witwer

*Report*

### **How Are Teachers Educating Students with Disabilities During the Pandemic?**

In this Data Note, researchers present findings on teaching students with disabilities during a pandemic by drawing on surveys administered via the RAND American Teacher Panel to a nationally representative sample of teachers in fall 2020.

Apr 8, 2021

Laura Stelitano, Christine Mulhern, Katie Feistel, Heather Gomez-Bendana

*Report*

### **[Decline in Trust in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention During the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)**

Researchers present a subset of results from May and October 2020 surveys fielded through the RAND American Life Panel to assess declines in trust in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention during the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic.

Apr 5, 2021

Michael S. Pollard, Lois M. Davis

### **RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 10 Apr 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*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **Unitaid [to 10 Apr 2021]**

<https://unitaid.org/>

*Featured News*

*No new digest content identified.*

### **Urban Institute [to 10 Apr 2021]**

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

*Publications*

### **[Housing Counseling to Support Renters in Crisis](#)**

As the COVID-19 pandemic enters its second year, millions of renters remain in crisis. In response to the ongoing crisis, organizations that provide housing counseling have been adapting their services to better meet renters' needs. Based on interviews with representatives from organizations that support counseling agencies or provide counseling directly to renters, this brief explores the ways that the housing

[Martha M. Galvez](#), [Camille H. Anoll](#), [Abby Boshart](#)

April 8, 2021

Brief

### **[COVID-19 Vaccine Attitudes among Adults in Immigrant Families in California](#)**

Immigrants represent about a quarter of California residents, and about half of adults in the state live in households with at least one immigrant family member. Yet, little is known about COVID-19 vaccine attitudes and access among adults in immigrant families, both in California and nationally. In this brief, we assess attitudes toward the novel coronavirus and COVID-19 vaccines among adults ages 18 to 64 in

[Dulce Gonzalez](#), [Michael Karpman](#), [Hamutal Bernstein](#)

April 7, 2021

Brief

### **[Post-ACA, More Than One-Third Of Women With Prenatal Medicaid Remained Uninsured Before Or After Pregnancy](#)**

Medicaid has a long history of serving pregnant women, but many women are not eligible for Medicaid before pregnancy or after sixty days postpartum. We used data for new mothers with Medicaid-covered prenatal care in 2015–18 from forty-three states participating in the Pregnancy Risk Assessment Monitoring System (PRAMS) to describe patterns of perinatal uninsurance and health outcomes of women experiencing

[Emily M. Johnston](#), [Stacey McMorro](#), [Clara Alvarez Caraveo](#), [Lisa Dubay](#)

April 6, 2021

Journal Article

### **[Human Services Resilience in the COVID-19 Pandemic: A Responsible Fatherhood Program in New York City](#)**

The COVID-19 pandemic has forced service delivery organizations across the US to rethink how they deliver supports in a world where in-person interactions are constrained. Organizations serving vulnerable populations have had to be particularly adaptable to rapidly restore and ensure the continuity of services to meet people's needs—needs that may have been exacerbated by the pandemic. Organizations have had to

[Peter Willenborg](#), [H. Elizabeth Peters](#), [Teresa Derrick-Mills](#), [Marla McDaniel](#)

April 5, 2021

Brief

### **[Ascribing Outcomes of Complex Interventions to Social Networks](#)**

Across the country, public, private, philanthropic, and nonprofit organizations develop and implement geographically targeted programs aimed at improving the social and economic outcomes of communities. Assessing the results of a multifaceted initiative can be challenging for many reasons, including the amount of time needed to identify the sustained impacts of its investments and the difficulty of assessing who

[Mary Bogle](#), [Matthew Gerken](#), [Leiha Edmonds](#), [Christopher Davis](#)

April 5, 2021

Technical Paper

### **[Perceptions of Discrimination and Unfair Judgment While Seeking Health Care](#)**

Using data from the Urban Institute's September 2020 Coronavirus Tracking Survey, a nationally representative survey of adults ages 18 to 64, we describe nonelderly adults' perceptions of discrimination and unfair judgment while seeking health care in the months leading up to and during

the COVID-19 pandemic. We find that Black adults were more likely than white or Hispanic/Latinx adults to report having been

[Dulce Gonzalez](#), [Laura Skopec](#), [Marla McDaniel](#), [Genevieve M. Kenney](#)

April 5, 2021

Brief

**The Wistar Institute** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**World Economic Forum** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Media*

**Positive Tech Solutions Will Forge The Recovery: Global Technology Governance Summit Concludes**

News 08 Apr 2021

**Regional City Networks Launch in Latin America and South Asia Bringing the Fourth Industrial Revolution to Small and Medium-Sized Cities**

News 08 Apr 2021

**New Resource for Protecting Personal Data for Mental Health Apps**

News 06 Apr 2021

**Futures Report Outlines Top Trends Impacting Global Economy, Society and Technology**

News 05 Apr 2021

**Japan Takes Leadership Role in Fourth Industrial Revolution Global Summit**

News 05 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*



**BMGF - Gates Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases and Statements*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Blue Meridian Partners** [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Newsroom*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Clinton Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases & Statements*

*Press Release*

*April 8, 2021*

**Clinton Foundation Helping Faith Leaders Talk to Their Communities About the COVID-19 Vaccines**

:: Through the release of the Foundation's Vaccine Confidence Toolkit, faith and community leaders will have access to information and answers on the COVID-19 vaccines

:: Read and download the toolkit here: [clintonfoundation.org/vaccinefacts](https://clintonfoundation.org/vaccinefacts) (link is external)

**Co Impact** [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

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

*The Latest*

*News 7 April 2021*

**Ford Foundation Expands Flagship BUILD Program to Provide \$1 Billion to Hundreds of Organizations**

NEW YORK (April 7, 2021) – The Ford Foundation announced today the extension of the 2015 Building Institutions and Networks (BUILD) initiative, which had provided \$1 billion dollars in flexible

funding to social justice organizations around the world to help them more effectively achieve their core goals and build their resilience for the long term. The second edition of BUILD will disburse another \$1 billion in grant dollars spanning all of Ford's programmatic areas and regions. The next round of five-year BUILD grants will be awarded starting in January 2022...

In The Headlines 6 April 2021

**[An equitable vaccine rollout must prioritize the most vulnerable around the world](#)**

Rich countries are hoarding vaccines. This has to stop. Until we are all vaccinated, we are all vulnerable.

**J. Paul Getty Trust** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest News*

April 06, 2021

**[Getty and City of Los Angeles Launch African American Historic Places Project](#)**

Los Angeles – The J. Paul Getty Museum today announced the acquisition of a major work by Artemisia Gentileschi (1593-c.1654), the most celebrated woman painter of 17th-century Italy. Recently rediscovered after having been in private collections for centuries, the painting represents the artist at the height of her expressive powers, and demonstrates her ambition for depicting historical subjects, something that was virtually unprecedented for a female artist in her day... Over the next three years, the project will work with local communities and cultural institutions to more fully recognize and understand African American experiences in Los Angeles. The work aims to identify and help preserve the places that best represent these stories and work with communities to develop creative approaches that meet their own aims for placemaking, identity, and empowerment...

**GHIT Fund** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*GHIT was set up in 212 with the aim of developing new tools to tackle infectious diseases that  
No new digest content identified.*

**Grameen Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**William and Flora Hewlett Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Latest*

**[Building partnerships based on trust: Q&A with ARC and CEGSS](#)**

[Accountability Research Center (ARC) at American University in Washington, D.C. and Centre de estudios para la equidad y gobernanza en los sistemas de salud (CEGSS) in Guatemala City]

*Global Development and Population*

By Pat Scheid

April 5, 2021

**Conrad N. Hilton Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**IKEA Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

**Nathalia Rocha, Purpose Climate Lab**

The IKEA Foundation helps many organisations accelerate their efforts in combating climate change. Facts and figures speak for themselves, but who exactly are the people behind this extraordinary work?  
April 8, 2021

**Unlocking solar energy to power farms and businesses in Africa**

Our renewed partnership with the Access to Energy Institute (A2EI) will help people on the African continent to power their livelihoods and earn a decent income through solar energy. About...  
April 6, 2021

**HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Room*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Kaiser Family Foundation**

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

*Accessed 10 Apr 2021*

April 9, 2021 *News Release*

**Analysis: Hospital Price Transparency Data Lacks Standardization, Limiting Its Use to Insurers, Employers, and Consumers**

In spite of a new price transparency rule that requires hospitals to publish the prices of common health services, comparing prices across hospitals remains challenging due to limited compliance with the law and a lack of standardization in the available data, a new KFF analysis finds. The federal rule, which...

April 9, 2021 *News Release*

**Vaccine Monitor: More than Half of Rural Residents Have Gotten a COVID-19 Vaccine or Intend to Do So as Soon as Possible**

More than half (54%) of rural adults say they have already gotten at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine or will do so as soon as possible, as rural residents report less issues with both supply and access than those living in urban and suburban areas, according to a...

April 8, 2021 *News Release*

**Compared to Peer Countries, the U.S. Had the Highest Rate of Mortality Among People Under Age 65 and Potential Years of Life Lost in 2020 Due to the Pandemic**

A new KFF issue brief examines 2020 data on excess mortality – the number of deaths above what is expected in a typical year – and finds that among similarly large and wealthy nations, the United States had the highest premature excess mortality rate in 2020, indicating that younger people...

April 7, 2021 *News Release*

**Understanding COVID-19 Vaccine Mandates**

As the vaccine rollout continues across the country, a key question is whether and how far governments and employers can go to require the public and workers to get vaccinated. Our new issue brief explains the legal basis for vaccine mandates and what limitations might apply.

April 7, 2021 *News Release*

**Analysis Estimates 5.1 Million People Fall into the Affordable Care Act's "Family Glitch"**

A new KFF analysis estimates 5.1 million people nationally fall into the Affordable Care Act's "family glitch" that occurs when a worker receives an offer of affordable employer coverage for themselves but not for their dependents, making them ineligible for financial assistance for marketplace coverage. The so-called glitch occurs because...

April 6, 2021 *News Release*

**KFF/Post Survey Reveals the Serious Mental Health Challenges Facing Frontline Health Care Workers a Year into the COVID-19 Pandemic**

About 1 in 6 Tested Positive for COVID-19, though Few Experienced Major Symptoms; Those Working in Nursing Homes or Assisted Living Facilities Most Likely to Report Testing Positive More than a year into the COVID-19 pandemic, a majority of frontline health care workers say the crisis is taking a toll...

April 5, 2021 *News Release*

**KHN and Guardian US Win Batten Medal for "Lost on the Frontline"**

The News Leaders Association (NLA) awarded KFF's Kaiser Health News (KHN) and Guardian US the 2021 Batten Medal for Coverage of the Coronavirus Pandemic for their year-long "Lost on the Frontline" investigation documenting the lives of more than 3,600 health care workers in the U.S. who died of COVID-19 after...

**Kellogg Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Selected Announcements*

**Clean plates, clean slates and equity in education**

April 7, 2021

**Aga Khan Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

**The Silk Road: A living history exhibited at Kings Cross**

London, 8 April 2021: The Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) announces the opening today of The Silk Road: A Living History, an open-air photography exhibition by travel photographer Christopher Wilton-Steer. Comprised of over 160 photographs, the exhibition invites the viewer to take a journey from London to Beijing, encountering many of the people, places and cultures along the ancient trade route.

**MacArthur Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News, Events, What We're Learning*

**Community Solutions Awarded \$100 Million to End Homelessness**

April 7, 2021 | Press Release | 100&Change

*Ballmer Group increases support for Community Solutions with nearly \$6 million in additional funding.*

MacArthur today awarded a \$100 million grant to [Community Solutions](#) to accelerate an end to homelessness in 75 U.S. communities in five years...

**Religious Communities' Roles in Anti-Corruption**

April 5, 2021

*Grantee Research*

**Andrew W. Mellon Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://mellon.org/>

*Mellon News, Press Releases*

**A Legendary Poet's Home Becomes a Sanctuary for Young Artists**

April 6, 2021

Lucille Clifton's children have reclaimed the century-old Baltimore house where their mother wrote some of her greatest work.

**Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Open Society Foundations** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Newsroom*

*Press release April 7, 2021*

**Open Society Foundations Pledge \$20 Million to Support Green Infrastructure, Inclusive Economic Opportunity, and Democracy Reforms**

Open Society will invest \$20 million in advocacy organizations advancing reforms to strengthen U.S. democracy, address climate change and racial equity, provide a pathway to citizenship, and create millions of living-wage infrastructure jobs.

*Press release April 7, 2021*

**Open Society Foundations Give \$500 Million to Bard College**

Foundations' gift, one of the largest ever made to a higher education institution in the United States, reflects George Soros's commitment to critical thinking, free speech, and expanding opportunity for underserved communities.

**David and Lucile Packard Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Pew Charitable Trusts** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases, Statements, Events*

*Event*

April 16, 2021

**[Science Matters: A Virtual Event With Top Health, Science, and Policy Experts](#)**

April 8, 2021

**[Pew Awards \\$5.41 Million to Five Philadelphia Nonprofits to Address Human, Economic Impacts of COVID-19](#)**

**Rockefeller Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Reports/Press Releases*

Apr 08 2021

*Press Releases*

**[Mayor Brandon M. Scott, Baltimore City Health Department, Mayor's Office of Employment Development, The Rockefeller Foundation Announce Findings of Baltimore Health Corps Pilot Early Lessons Report](#)**

Baltimore, Md. – Today, Mayor Brandon M. Scott, the Baltimore City Health Department, the Mayor's Office of Employment Development, The Rockefeller Foundation, HealthCare Access Maryland, Jhpiego, Baltimore Corps, the Baltimore ...

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*Press Releases*

**[The Rockefeller Foundation Releases New Policy for Ethical Investing](#)**

Commits to investing its \$6 billion endowment in a way that matches its values NEW YORK | April 6, 2021 – The Rockefeller Foundation announced a new Ethical Investment Policy that ...

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*Press Releases*

**[The Rockefeller Foundation Releases New Financing Roadmap to End Pandemic by End of 2022](#)**

Calls for \$44 billion in SDRs through IMF to achieve 70% vaccination rate in LMICs Recommends an allocation of \$650 billion in SDRs to catalyze a sustainable global recovery NEW YORK | ...

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** [to 10 Apr 2021]

<https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html>

*Latest News and Highlights*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Science Philanthropy Alliance** [to 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 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 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Releases*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Wellcome Trust** [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*News and reports*

*Explainer*

[What are 'adverse events' and 'emergency use authorisation' in relation to vaccination?](#)

8 April 2021

*Explainer*

[What drugs are working as treatments for Covid-19?](#)

6 April 2021

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**Candid** [formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar] [to 10 Apr 2021]

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

*Press Room*

*No new digest content identified.*

**Council on Foundations** [to 10 Apr 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 3 Apr 2021

<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/compassionate-force>

#### **Compassionate Force**

Using force in caregiving is most often justified based on risk-benefit or best interest analyses. Careful, inclusive deliberation about whether force should be used in the course of a patient's care is a rise-to-the minimum precursor of responsible force implementation, as is minimizing a patient's risk of harm. Even when clinically indicated and ethically justifiable, force protocols drawing on physical, pharmaceutical, and legal means of restraint or seclusion can undermine therapeutic capacity in patient-clinician relationships, erode trust, and exacerbate emotional and moral distress for both patients and clinicians. These high stakes cum patients' extreme vulnerability prompt us to consider how clinicians' and organizations' clinical and ethical obligations extend beyond harm minimization to compassion maximization. Although the words "compassion" and "force" rarely appear together, this issue investigates what their union could mean for and make possible in the enterprise of health care.

### **American Journal of Infection Control**

April 2021 Volume 49 Issue 4 p409-532

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **American Journal of Preventive Medicine**

April 2021 Volume 60 Issue 4p453-594

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



[Reviewed earlier]

**American Journal of Public Health**

April 2021 111(4)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

**American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene**

Volume 104 (2021): Issue 3\_Suppl (Mar 2021):

[https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/104/3\\_Suppl/tpmd.104.issue-3\\_Suppl.xml](https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/104/3_Suppl/tpmd.104.issue-3_Suppl.xml)

***Pragmatic Recommendations for the Management of Hospitalized COVID-19 Patients in Low- and Middle-Income Countries***

[Reviewed earlier]

**Annals of Internal Medicine**

March 2021 Volume 174, Issue 3

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

[Reviewed earlier]

**Antiquity – A Review of World Archeology**

Latest Issue: Issue 380 - April 2021

<https://antiquity.ac.uk/latest>

[Reviewed earlier]

**Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal**

Volume 293 April 2021

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/293/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

**BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation**

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

(Accessed 10 Apr 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

**BMJ Global Health**

April 2021 - Volume 6 - 4

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/6/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

**BMC Health Services Research**

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

(Accessed 10 Apr 2021)

**Collaborating to offer HPV vaccinations in jails: results from a pre-implementation study in four states**

*Correctional facilities are an underutilized venue for reaching young adults who have not vaccinated for human papillomavirus (HPV). The objective of this study was to identify factors that are associated with jail and local health department (LHD) interest in partnering to offer HPV vaccinations to young adults in jail.*

Authors: Amanda Emerson, Molly Allison, Lisa Saldana, Patricia J. Kelly and Megha Ramaswamy

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2021 21:309

Content type: Research article

Published on: 7 April 2021

**BMC Infectious Diseases**

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

(Accessed 10 Apr 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

**BMC Medical Ethics**

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

(Accessed 10 Apr 2021)

*Research article*

**Under consent: participation of people with HIV in an Ebola vaccine trial in Canada**

*Little is known about volunteers from Northern research settings who participate in vaccine trials of highly infectious diseases with no approved treatments. This article explores the motivations of HIV immunocompromised study participants in Canada who volunteered in a Phase II clinical trial that evaluated the safety and immunogenicity of an Ebola vaccine candidate.*

Authors: Pierre-Marie David, Benjamin Mathiot, Oumy Thiongane and Janice E. Graham

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2021 22:42

Content type: Research article

Published on: 9 April 2021

**BMC Medicine**

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

(Accessed 10 Apr 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

**BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth**

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

(Accessed 10 Apr 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

**BMC Public Health**

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

(Accessed 10 Apr 2021)

**[Drivers and consequences of child marriage in a context of protracted displacement: a qualitative study among Syrian refugees in Egypt](#)**

*Child marriage is a human rights violation disproportionately impacting girls in low- and middle-income countries. In the Middle East region, conflict and displacement have prompted concerns that families are ...*

Authors: Shatha Elnakib, Salma Abou Hussein, Sali Hafez, May Elsallab, Kara Hunersen, Janna Metzler and W. Courtland Robinson

Citation: BMC Public Health 2021 21:674

Content type: Research article

Published on: 7 April 2021

**BMC Research Notes**

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

(Accessed 10 Apr 2021)

[No new digest content identified]

**BMJ**

010 April 2021(vol 373, issue 8286)

<https://www.bmj.com/content/373/8286>

[Reviewed earlier]

**BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine**

April 2021 - Volume 26 - 2

<https://ebm.bmj.com/content/26/2>

[Reviewed earlier]

**BMJ Open**

April 2021 - Volume 11 - 4

<https://bmjopen.bmj.com/content/11/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

**Bulletin of the World Health Organization**

Volume 99, Number 4, April 2021, 241-320

<https://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/99/4/en/>

[Reviewed earlier]

**Cell**

Apr 01, 2021 Volume 184 Issue 7 p1651-1940

[https://www.cell.com/cell/issue?pii=S0092-8674\(20\)X0008-0](https://www.cell.com/cell/issue?pii=S0092-8674(20)X0008-0)

[New issue; No digest content identified]

### **Child Care, Health and Development**

Volume 47, Issue 3 Pages: 297-410 May 2021

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

### **Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal**

Volume 114 April 2021

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/child-abuse-and-neglect/vol/114/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Clinical Therapeutics**

Volume 43 Issue 2 p211-430, e33-e56

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Clinical Trials**

Volume 18 Issue 2, April 2021

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/18/2>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Conflict and Health**

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

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

#### **[Healthcare governance during humanitarian responses: a survey of current practice among international humanitarian actors](#)**

*Large international humanitarian actors support and directly deliver health services for millions of people in crises annually, and wield considerable power to decide which health services to provide, how and ...*

Authors: Prudence Jarrett, Yasin Fozdar, Nada Abdelmagid and Francesco Checchi

Citation: Conflict and Health 2021 15:25

Content type: Research

Published on: 10 April 2021

#### **[Sexual and reproductive health self-care in humanitarian and fragile settings: where should we start?](#)**

*Recent crises have accelerated global interest in self-care interventions. This debate paper aims to raise the issue of sexual and reproductive health (SRH) self-care and invites members of the global community...*

Authors: Nguyen Toan Tran, Hannah Tappis, Pierre Moon, Megan Christofield and Angela Dawson

Citation: Conflict and Health 2021 15:22

Content type: Debate

Published on: 7 April 2021

**The socioeconomic burden of antibiotic resistance in conflict-affected settings and refugee hosting countries: a systematic scoping review**

*Antibiotic resistance (ABR) is a major global threat. Armed and protracted conflicts act as multipliers of infection and ABR, thus leading to increased healthcare and societal costs. We aimed to understand and...*

Authors: Elsa Kobeissi, Marilyne Menassa, Krystel Moussally, Ernestina Repetto, Ismail Soboh, Marwan Hajjar, Shadi Saleh and Ghassan Abu-Sittah

Citation: Conflict and Health 2021 15:21

Content type: Research

Published on: 6 April 2021

**Strengthening healthcare providers' capacity for safe abortion and post-abortion care services in humanitarian settings: lessons learned from the clinical outreach refresher training model (S-CORT) in Uganda, Nigeria, and the Democratic Republic of Congo**

*Fragile and crisis-affected countries account for most maternal deaths worldwide, with unsafe abortion being one of its leading causes. This case study aims to describe the Clinical Outreach Refresher Training...*

Authors: Nguyen Toan Tran, Alison Greer, Talemoh Dah, Bibiche Malilo, Bergson Kakule, Thérèse Faila Morisho, Douglass Kambale Asifiwe, Happiness Musa, Japheth Simon, Janet Meyers, Elizabeth Noznesky, Sarah Neusy, Burim Vranovci and Bill Powell

Citation: Conflict and Health 2021 15:20

Content type: Research in practice

Published on: 6 April 2021

**Contemporary Clinical Trials**

Volume 102 March 2021

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/102/suppl/C>

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**The CRISPR Journal**

Volume 4, Issue 1 / February 2021

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/4/1>

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**Current Genetic Medicine Reports**

Volume 9, issue 1, March 2021

<https://link.springer.com/journal/40142/volumes-and-issues/9-1>

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**Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases**

April 2021 - Volume 34 - Issue 2

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

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### **Current Protocols in Human Genetics**

Volume 108, Issue 1 December 2020

<https://currentprotocols.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/19348258/current>

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### **Developing World Bioethics**

Volume 21, Issue 1 Pages: i, 1-54 March 2021

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

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### **Development in Practice**

Volume 31, Issue 2, 2021

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

*Article*

#### **[The role of access to finance for smallholders' seed business growth in Nepal](#)**

Dyutiman Choudhary, Kamal Banskota, Narayan Khanal & Prithvi Gyawali

Pages: 139-149

Published online: 20 Oct 2020

*Article*

#### **[Towards a sustainable NGO intervention on child protection: taking indigenous knowledge seriously](#)**

Sampson A. Yeboah & Marguerite Daniel

Pages: 174-184

Published online: 26 Oct 2020

*Article*

#### **[Mapping stakeholders' viewpoints on innovation along a livestock value chain: a Q method application](#)**

Benoît Govoeyi, Serge G. Ahounou, Pascal S. Kiki, Ignace O. Dotché, Nassim Moula, Issaka Youssao, Abdou Karim & Nicolas Antoine-Moussiaux

Pages: 214-225

Published online: 08 Nov 2020

### **Development Policy Review**

Volume 39, Issue 2 Pages: 153-339 March 2021

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

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### **Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology**

Volume 16 - Issue 2 - 2021

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

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### **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>

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### **Disasters**

Volume 45, Issue 2 Pages: 253-497 April 2021

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

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### **EMBO Reports**

Volume 22 Issue 4 7 April 2021

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

*Opinion* 1 March 2021 *Free Access*

#### **Mismatched expectations**

Frank Gannon

Public funding for basic research rests on a delicate balance between scientists, governments and the public. COVID could further shift this equilibrium towards translation and application.

*Science & Society*

24 March 2021 *Free Access*

#### **COVID-19 and the opportunities for research: The lockdowns' impacts on wildlife, ecology and conservation biology, and the humanities**

Philip Hunter

The ongoing lockdowns provide ideal conditions to study the relationship between wildlife and humans but among humans themselves.

### **Emerging Infectious Diseases**

Volume 27, Number 4—April 2021

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

*Dispatches*

#### **Postvaccination COVID-19 among Healthcare Workers, Israel [PDF - 1004 KB - 3 pages]**

S. Amit et al.

Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) symptoms can be mistaken for vaccine-related side effects during initial days after immunization. Among 4,081 vaccinated healthcare workers in Israel, 22 (0.54%) developed COVID-19 from 1–10 days (median 3.5 days) after immunization. Clinicians should not dismiss postvaccination symptoms as vaccine-related and should promptly test for COVID-19.

### **Epidemics**

Volume 34 March 2021

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/34/suppl/C>

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### **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 2 Pages: 1-48 March–April 2021

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

***Research ethics and pandemics • IRBs and AI research***

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### **Ethics & International Affairs**

Winter 2020 (34,4)

<https://www.ethicsandinternationalaffairs.org/2021/winter-2020-34-4/>

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.

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

Volume 31, Issue 1, February 2021

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/31/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Food Policy**

Volume 99 February 2021

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/99/suppl/C>

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### **Food Security**

Volume 13, issue 1, February 2021

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/13-1>



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### **Forced Migration Review (FMR)**

FMR 66 March 2021

<https://www.fmreview.org/issue66/contents>

***Mental health and psychosocial support, Data and displacement, Missing migrants***  
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### **Forum for Development Studies**

Volume 48, 2021 - Issue 1

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

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### **Gates Open Research**

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

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

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### **Genome Medicine**

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

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

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### **Geoheritage**

Volume 13, issue 1, March 2021

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/volumes-and-issues/13-1>

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### **Global Health Action**

Volume 14, Issue 1 (2021)

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

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

Vol. 9, No. 1 April 01, 2021

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Global Legal Monitor – Library of Congress/USA**

<https://www.loc.gov/law/>

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

**Turkey: Constitutional Court Censures Lower Court for Not Enforcing Constitutional Court Judgment**

April 9, 2021 by [Kayahan Cantekin](#)

**United Kingdom: Bill Introduces New Agency for Cutting-Edge Scientific Research**

April 8, 2021 by [Clare Feikert-Ahalt](#)

**Sweden: Supreme Court Rules Naming and Threatening Police Officer in Rap Song to Be Freedom of Expression and Not a Crime**

April 7, 2021 by [Elin Hofverberg](#)

**Global Public Health**

Volume 16, Issue 4 (2021)

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

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**Globalization and Health**

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

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

**A review of prospective pathways and impacts of COVID-19 on the accessibility, safety, quality, and affordability of essential medicines and vaccines for universal health coverage in Africa**

*The ongoing pandemic of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) has the potential to reverse progress towards global targets. This study examines the risks that the COVID-19 pandemic poses to equitable access to e...*

Authors: Floriano Amimo, Ben Lambert, Anthony Magit and Masahiro Hashizume

Citation: Globalization and Health 2021 17:42

Content type: Review

Published on: 8 April 2021

**Health Affairs**

Vol. 40, No. 3 March 2021

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

***March 2021 / Nursing Homes, COVID-19 & 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 16 - Issue 2 - April 2021

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

[Reviewed earlier]

## **Health Policy and Planning**

Volume 36, Issue 2, March 2021

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/36/2>

[Reviewed earlier]

## **Health Research Policy and Systems**

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

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

### **[A scoping review of international policy responses to mental health recovery during the COVID-19 pandemic](#)**

Authors: Claire McCartan, Tomas Adell, Julie Cameron, Gavin Davidson, Lee Knifton, Shari McDaid and Ciaran Mulholland

Content type: Commentary

6 April 2021

#### *Abstract*

The COVID-19 pandemic has affected people's physical and mental health. Quarantine and other lockdown measures have altered people's daily lives; levels of anxiety, depression, substance use, self-harm and suicide ideation have increased. This commentary assesses how international governments, agencies and organisations are responding to the challenge of the mental health impact of COVID-19 with the aim of informing the ongoing policy and service responses needed in the immediate and longer term. It identifies some of the key themes emerging from the literature, recognises at-risk populations and highlights opportunities for innovation within mental health services, focusing on the published academic literature, international health ministry websites and other relevant international organisations beyond the United Kingdom and Ireland. COVID-19 has challenged, and may have permanently changed, mental health services. It has highlighted and exacerbated pre-existing pressures and inequities. Many decision-makers consider this an opportunity to transform mental health care, and tackling the social determinants of mental health and engaging in prevention will be a necessary part of such transformation. Better data collection, modelling and sharing will enhance policy and service development. The crisis provides opportunities to build on positive innovations: the adaptability and flexibility of community-based care; drawing on lived experience in the design, development and monitoring of services; interagency collaboration; accelerating digital healthcare; and connecting physical and mental health.

## **Human Gene Therapy**

Volume 32, Issue 5-6 / March 2021

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/hum/32/5-6>

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## **Human Rights Quarterly**

Volume 43, Number 1, February 2021

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/43987>

[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.

## **Implementation Research and Practice**

<https://journals.sagepub.com/articles/IRP>

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

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## **Infectious Agents and Cancer**

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

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

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### **Infectious Diseases of Poverty**

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

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

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### **International Health**

Volume 13, Issue 2, March 2021

<https://academic.oup.com/inthealth/issue/13/2>

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### **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>

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### **The International Journal of Children's Rights**

Volume 29 (2021): Issue 1 (Feb 2021)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/chil/29/1/chil.29.issue-1.xml>

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

Vol 8, No 4 (2021) April 2021

<https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/75>

*Original Research Articles*

[\*\*Community perception and determinants of willingness to uptake COVID-19 vaccines among residents of Osun State, South-West Nigeria\*\*](#)

Patrick A. Akinyemi, Olusola Fajobi, Israel A. Owoade, Olanrewaju T. Elugbaju, Funmilola O. Wuraola

[\*\*Knowledge and practices towards cervical cancer prevention and HPV vaccination among MBBS graduates\*\*](#)

Kanika Bansal, Ravish Ranjan, Meena Rajput, Shiba .

### **International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction**

Volume 53 1 February 2021

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/53/suppl/C>

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### **International Journal of Epidemiology**

Volume 50, Issue 1, February 2021  
<https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue>  
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### **International Journal of Heritage Studies**

Volume 27, Issue 5, 2021  
<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rjhs20/current>

*Article*

#### **Necessary conditions for integrated approaches to the post-conflict recovery of cultural heritage in the Arab World**

Sultan Barakat

Pages: 433-448

Published online: 05 Aug 2020

*Article*

#### **Does intra-disciplinary historic preservation scholarship address the exigent issues of practice? Exploring the character and impact of preservation knowledge production in relation to critical heritage studies, equity, and social justice**

Jeremy C. Wells

Pages: 449-469

Published online: 12 Aug 2020

### **International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare**

Volume 14 Issue 1 2021  
<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2056-4902/vol/14/iss/1>

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### **International Journal of Infectious Diseases**

March 2021 Volume 104 p1-754

<https://www.ijidonline.com/current>

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### **International Migration Review**

Volume 55 Issue 1, March 2021

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/mrxa/current>

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

January-June 2021 Volume 19 | Issue 1 Page Nos. 1-143  
<http://www.interventionjournal.org/currentissue.asp?sabs=n>

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## **JAMA**

April 6, 2021, Vol 325, No. 13, Pages 1239-1356

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/currentissue>

*Research Letter*

### **Emergence of a Novel SARS-CoV-2 Variant in Southern California**

Wenjuan Zhang, PhD; Brian D. Davis, BSc; Stephanie S. Chen, BSc; et al.

free access has active quiz has multimedia has audio

JAMA. 2021;325(13):1324-1326. doi:10.1001/jama.2021.1612

This research describes findings of sequencing and phylogenetic analyses of SARS-CoV-2 isolates from symptomatic patients cared for at Cedar-Sinai Medical Center in November-December 2020 during a regional surge in cases and hospitalizations.

*Editorial*

### **SARS-CoV-2 Viral Variants—Tackling a Moving Target**

John R. Mascola, MD; Barney S. Graham, MD, PhD; Anthony S. Fauci, MD

*COVID-19: Beyond Tomorrow*

### **The Potential Future of the COVID-19 Pandemic Will SARS-CoV-2 Become a Recurrent Seasonal Infection?**

Christopher J. L. Murray, MD; Peter Piot, MD

has audio

JAMA. 2021;325(13):1249-1250. doi:10.1001/jama.2021.2828

This Viewpoint discusses the prospect that COVID-19 could become a recurrent seasonal disease like influenza and proposes strategies to mitigate the consequences for communities and health systems, including changes in surveillance, medical and public health response, and socioeconomic programs.

### **Approaches for Optimal Use of Different COVID-19 Vaccines Issues of Viral Variants and Vaccine Efficacy**

John P. Moore, PhD

has active quiz has multimedia has audio

JAMA. 2021;325(13):1251-1252. doi:10.1001/jama.2021.3465

This Viewpoint proposes ways to maximize vaccine efficacy and allocation given the rise of coronavirus variants and authorization of a Johnson & Johnson vaccine, including reserving the latter for younger healthier populations, boosting it with a single-dose messenger RNA (mRNA) vaccination, and single mRNA immunization of people with prior documented SARS-CoV-2 infection.

*JAMA Insights*

### **SARS-CoV-2 Vaccines**

C. Buddy Creech, MD, MPH; Shannon C. Walker, MD; Robert J. Samuels, MBChB

free access has active quiz has audio

JAMA. 2021;325(13):1318-1320. doi:10.1001/jama.2021.3199

This JAMA Insights clinical review explains different approaches to SARS-CoV-2 vaccine development, including inactivated and protein subunit, viral vector, and mRNA immunization strategies, and summarizes safety and efficacy data for global products authorized for use or in later-stage clinical trials.

## **JAMA Network**

### **COVID-19 Update April 10, 2021**

*These articles on COVID-19 were published across the JAMA Network in the last week.*

## **JAMA Pediatrics**

April 2021, Vol 175, No. 4, Pages 339-440

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/currentissue>

*Viewpoint*

### **The Complicated Legacy of Cassandra Callender Ethics, Decision-making, and the Role of Adolescents**

Jonathan M. Marron, MD, MPH; Elaine C. Meyer, PhD, RN, MBE; Kerri O. Kennedy, MA, BSN, RN  
JAMA Pediatr. 2021;175(4):343-344. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2020.4812

This Viewpoint discusses the role of adolescents in decisions about their health care, particularly potentially life-saving interventions.

*Research Letter*

### **A Survey of Camp Leadership to Assess Immunization Requirements, Policies, and Practices in a National Cohort of Summer Camps**

Carissa Bunke, MD; Natalie Schellpfeffer, MD; Barry Garst, PhD; et al.

JAMA Pediatr. 2021;175(4):421-423. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2020.5342

This study surveys a national cohort of summer camp leadership to assess camps' immunization requirements, policies, and practices.

## **JB I Evidence Synthesis**

March 2021 - Volume 19 - Issue 3

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

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## **Journal of Adolescent Health**

Volume 68 Issue 4 p637-832

<https://www.jahonline.org/current>

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## **Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research**

Vol. 70 (2021)

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

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## **Journal of Community Health**

Volume 46, issue 2, April 2021

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/volumes-and-issues/46-2>

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### **Journal of Cultural Heritage**

Volume 48 Pages 1-336 (March–April 2021)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-cultural-heritage/vol/48/suppl/C>

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### **Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development**

2021 Volume 11 Issue 1

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2044-1266/vol/11/iss/1>

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### **Journal of Development Economics**

Volume 150 May 2021

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/150/suppl/C>

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### **Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics**

Volume 16 Issue 1-2, February-April 2021

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

#### **Informed Consent for Mobile Phone Health Surveys in Colombia: A Qualitative Study**

Mariana Rodriguez-Patarroyo, Angelica Torres-Quintero, Andres I. Vecino-Ortiz, Kristina Hallez, Aixa Natalia Franco-Rodriguez, Eduardo A. Rueda Barrera, Stephanie Puerto, Dustin G. Gibson, Alain Labrique, George W. Pariyo, Joseph Ali

First Published September 25, 2020; pp. 24–34

#### **Framing a Consent Form to Improve Consent Understanding and Determine How This Affects Willingness to Participate in HIV Cure Research: An Experimental Survey Study**

John A. Saucedo, Karine Dubé, Brandon Brown, Ashley E. Pérez, Catherine E. Rivas, David Evans, Celia B. Fisher

First Published December 14, 2020; pp. 78–87

#### **Researcher Knowledge, Attitudes, and Communication Practices for Genomic Data Sharing**

Heather P. Nick, Kelsey Kehoe, Amanda Gammon, Jorge L. Contreras, Kimberly A. Kaphingst

First Published November 2, 2020; pp. 125–137

#### *Abstract*

This study examines knowledge, attitudes, and communication practices toward genomic data sharing among principal investigators and research coordinators engaged in cancer and non-cancer studies. We conducted 25 individual semi-structured interviews and conducted a qualitative thematic analysis. Most interviewees had basic knowledge of data sharing requirements, but lacked specific details of recent changes to NIH policy. Principal investigators perceived more risks to participants for data sharing than the research coordinators who generally obtained consent. Interviewees perceived a trend toward providing fewer data sharing options to participants in the consent process, and had observed that

parents of pediatric patients asked more questions than adult patients. Our findings highlight potential areas for improvement related to data sharing during consent processes.

### **Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health**

April 2021 - Volume 75 - 4

<https://jech.bmj.com/content/75/4>

*Social factors and mental health*

**[Gender-based violence and its association with mental health among Somali women in a Kenyan refugee camp: a latent class analysis](#)** (4 November, 2020)

Mazeda Hossain, Rachel Jane Pearson, Alys McAlpine, Loraine J Bacchus, Jo Spangaro, Stella Muthuri, Sheru Muuo, Giorgia Franchi, Tim Hess, Martin Bangha, Chimaraoke Izugbara

### **Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine**

Volume 14, Issue 1 Pages: 1-81 February 2021

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

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### **Journal of Global Ethics**

Volume 16, Issue 2, 2020

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

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

Volume 32, Number 1, February 2021

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/43951>

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### **Journal of Human Trafficking**

Volume 7, Issue 2, 2021

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uhmt20/current>

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### **Journal of Humanitarian Logistics and Supply Chain Management**

Volume 10 Issue 3 2020

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2042-6747/vol/10/iss/3>

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### **Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health**

Volume 23, issue 2, April 2021

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10903/volumes-and-issues/23-2>  
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**Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies**

Volume 19, 2021\_ Issue 1

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wimm20/current>

***Current Conflicts over Migration, Belonging and Membership: Classificatory Struggles Revisited***

[Reviewed earlier]

**Journal of Infectious Diseases**

Volume 223, Issue 4, 15 February 2021

<https://academic.oup.com/jid/issue/223/4>

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**Journal of International Development**

Volume 33, Issue 2 Pages: 275-453 March 2021

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/10991328/current>

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**Journal of Medical Ethics**

March 2021 - Volume 47 - 3

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

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**Journal of Operations Management**

Volume 67, Issue 2 Pages: 117-275 March 2021

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

[Reviewed earlier]

**Journal of Patient-Centered Research and Reviews**

Volume 8, Issue 1 (2021)

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

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**Journal of Pediatrics**

Volume 231 p1-304

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

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### **Journal of Pharmaceutical Policy and Practice**

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

[Accessed 10 Apr 2021]

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### **Journal of Public Health Management & Practice**

March/April 2021 - Volume 27 - Issue 2

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

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Journal of Public Health Policy**

Volume 42, issue 1, March 2021

<https://link.springer.com/journal/41271/volumes-and-issues/42-1>

[Reviewed earlier]

### **Journal of Refugee & Global Health**

Volume 4, Issue 1 (2021)

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

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### **Journal of the Royal Society – Interface**

April 2021 Volume 18 Issue 177

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

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### **Journal of Travel Medicine**

Volume 28, Issue 2, March 2021

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

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### **The Lancet**

Apr 10, 2021 Volume 397 Number 10282 p1325-1418

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

*Editorial*

**[China's response to COVID-19: a chance for collaboration](#)**

The Lancet

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**[Pandemic moves and countermoves: vaccines and viral variants](#)**

Rogier W Sanders, Menno D de Jong

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Katherine R W Emary, et al on behalf of the COVID-19 Genomics UK consortium, the AMPHEUS Project, and the Oxford COVID-19 Vaccine Trial Group  
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*Maternal and Child Undernutrition Progress*

**Revisiting maternal and child undernutrition in low-income and middle-income countries: variable progress towards an unfinished agenda**

Cesar G Victora, Parul Christian, Luis Paulo Vdaletti, Giovanna Gatica-Domínguez, Purnima Menon, Robert E Black

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**Mobilising evidence, data, and resources to achieve global maternal and child undernutrition targets and the Sustainable Development Goals: an agenda for action**

Rebecca A Heidkamp, et al

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#### **Predictors of Contraception Use Among Syrian Refugees in Lebanon: Results from a Cross-Sectional Study**

Authors (first, second and last of 7) Jinan Usta, Rim Taleb, Issam Shaarani

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*Editorial* | 06 April 2021

#### **The world must learn from COVID before diving into a pandemic treaty**

*A treaty might help countries to prepare for the next pandemic — but first they must study what went wrong during this one.*

*[See Milestones above for full text]*

*Perspective* | 07 April 2021 | Open Access

#### **The NIH Somatic Cell Genome Editing program**

This Perspective discusses how the Somatic Cell Genome Editing Consortium aims to accelerate the implementation of safe and effective genome-editing therapies in the clinic.

Krishanu Saha, Erik J. Sontheimer & Jiangbing Zhou

*Abstract*

The move from reading to writing the human genome offers new opportunities to improve human health. The United States National Institutes of Health (NIH) Somatic Cell Genome Editing (SCGE)

Consortium aims to accelerate the development of safer and more-effective methods to edit the genomes of disease-relevant somatic cells in patients, even in tissues that are difficult to reach. Here we discuss the consortium's plans to develop and benchmark approaches to induce and measure genome modifications, and to define downstream functional consequences of genome editing within human cells. Central to this effort is a rigorous and innovative approach that requires validation of the technology through third-party testing in small and large animals. New genome editors, delivery technologies and methods for tracking edited cells in vivo, as well as newly developed animal models and human biological systems, will be assembled—along with validated datasets—into an SCGE Toolkit, which will be disseminated widely to the biomedical research community. We visualize this toolkit—and the knowledge generated by its applications—as a means to accelerate the clinical development of new therapies for a wide range of conditions.

*Article* | 01 February 2021

**[BNT162b vaccines protect rhesus macaques from SARS-CoV-2](#)**

BNT162b1 and BNT162b2 are two candidate mRNA vaccines against COVID-19 that elicit high virus-entry inhibition titres in mice, elicit high virus-neutralizing titres in rhesus macaques and protect macaques from SARS-CoV-2 challenge.

Annette B. Vogel, Isis Kanevsky & Ugur Sahin

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*Comment* | 23 November 2020

#### **Advancing development of medicines by academia and non-profit research organizations in the European Union**

Providing support for medicine development by academics and clinical researchers is a priority for the European Medicines Agency. The recent launch of free scientific advice to academia and non-profit research organizations developing orphan medicines can help align research with regulatory requirements early during medicine development and enhance the chances of success.

Rosa Gonzalez-Quevedo, Constantinos Ziogas & Anthony Humphreys

### **New England Journal of Medicine**

April 8, 2021 Vol. 384 No. 14

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*Perspective*

#### **From Vaccine Nationalism to Vaccine Equity — Finding a Path Forward**

I.T. Katz, R. Weintraub, L.-G. Bekker, and A.M. Brandt

The global effort to develop safe and effective Covid-19 vaccines has yielded remarkable results, owing in part to early, decisive investments in clinical discovery through efforts such as Operation Warp Speed. These achievements highlight the payoff of stable, long-term support of basic research and immunology: our scientific community was prepared to act. Now, as the global community faces scarce supply, we confront a distressing reality: our current global vaccination rates of roughly 6.7 million doses per day translate to achieving herd immunity (70 to 85% of the population having received a two-dose vaccine) in approximately 4.6 years. Vaccine distribution remains nonexistent in many of the poorest countries, and experts anticipate that 80% of the population in low-resource settings will not receive a vaccine this year. Although investment in discovery is critical, the long-term neglect of public health and global delivery strategies has left us poorly equipped to end this pandemic.

The complex bottlenecks in allocating and disseminating newly approved vaccines require urgent attention. They include ensuring production capacity, supply chains, human resources, and health infrastructures to deliver vaccines safely, effectively, and quickly. Barriers to vaccine uptake are augmented by mistrust, misinformation, and historical legacies affecting vaccine confidence.<sup>1</sup> Even



wealthy countries have faced formidable obstacles and made critical missteps in implementing mass-vaccination programs.

Furthermore, the early competitive procurement of vaccines by the United States and purchases by other high-resource countries have fed a widespread assumption that each country will be solely responsible for its own population. Such vaccine nationalism perpetuates the long history of powerful countries securing vaccines and therapeutics at the expense of less-wealthy countries; it is short-sighted, ineffective, and deadly. Ultimately, wealthy countries have a critical interest in assisting global vaccination, especially in countries that will need supportive partnerships to ensure supply and delivery. Moreover, an uncoordinated patchwork of immunity could exacerbate the rise of escape variants that could alter vaccines' effectiveness.

These inequalities reveal a fundamentally flawed view of global health, and our global economy more broadly, in which vaccines and essential medications are treated as a market commodity rather than as a public good. We have seen similar policies enacted during past pandemics. During the height of the HIV epidemic, for example, most low-resource countries could not access lifesaving antiretroviral therapy because of the prohibitively high prices set by the pharmaceutical industry and the belief within United Nations agencies and among major donors that the focus in these settings should be on prevention instead of treatment. The commodification of global public goods reinforces widespread inequities in access and exacerbates vast disparities in health and economic well-being. Ultimately, addressing critical constraints is both a moral issue and one of national security that requires bold, decisive action to ensure expansion of supply, distribution, and delivery of Covid-19 vaccines.

The United States, under the Biden administration, and the G7 nations have committed support for global vaccine procurement through the Covid-19 Vaccines Global Access (COVAX) program, which supplies vaccines to low- and middle-income countries, but this funding alone remains inadequate. Currently, COVAX plans to vaccinate at least 20% of the population of participating countries by the end of 2021.<sup>2</sup> Though this would be a substantial achievement, it falls far short of the goal of securing global herd immunity in a timely fashion.

The United States has an opportunity to lead by building on past effective efforts and investing in strategies with proven success. The challenges of delivering costly HIV therapeutics to low-resource settings inspired the creation of programs such as the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria, which have been critical to ensuring global scale-up of antiretroviral therapy for populations that previously lacked access. Reflecting on the impact of PEPFAR, which was approved with bipartisan congressional support in 2003, Anthony Fauci noted on the program's 15th anniversary that "PEPFAR has done as much as or more than any other program in enhancing the humanitarian image of the United States and has firmly established it as a key player in the response to a historic global health crisis."<sup>3</sup>

The United States could build on PEPFAR's success by committing to what some experts have dubbed a President's Emergency Plan for Vaccine Access and Relief (PEPVAR).<sup>4</sup> Such a program could integrate global health needs into ongoing funding priorities, augment funding for vaccine production and delivery, and assist in building critical health infrastructures, while providing the Biden administration an opportunity to rejoin the global diplomatic community.

PEPVAR could use strategic lessons from the global responses to HIV, H1N1 influenza, and Ebola by engaging with multinational organizations such as the World Health Organization, as well as

governments, ministries of health, and affected communities. The program could help accelerate distribution of Covid-19 vaccines, working with national governments and multilateral organizations. Unlike COVAX, whose mission is primarily to increase and improve vaccine delivery to countries that are most in need, PEPVAR could partner with, support, and accelerate existing institutional mechanisms for ensuring vaccine access. Like PEPFAR, it could focus attention on data and analytics, equitable distribution, workforce development, and future pandemic preparedness, while accelerating development of additional necessary vaccines to address potential viral variants.

The success of such programs rests on immediate expansion of the supply of approved Covid-19 vaccines. India, for example, has secured substantially more vaccine than other low- and middle-income countries thanks to a partnership between AstraZeneca and the Serum Institute of India, one of the world's largest vaccine manufacturers. The agreement allowed AstraZeneca to leverage the Serum Institute's manufacturing capacity in exchange for vaccine doses for Indian citizens. Other pharmaceutical companies have also entered into agreements to expand global production by means of horizontal cooperation. Novartis, for example, has announced an initial agreement to help manufacture the Pfizer–BioNTech vaccine.

Though pharmaceutical companies have preferred to use voluntary licensing agreements to control who can produce a patented good, pressure has mounted on the World Trade Organization to consider a Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) waiver for Covid-19 vaccines. This proposal, put forward by India and South Africa and supported by more than 90 countries, would temporarily waive pharmaceutical patent protection, and substantially reduce the costs of manufacturing vaccines globally. Opponents of a TRIPS waiver argue that intellectual property protection is key to vaccine discovery and that without it, future innovation will be limited. While recognizing that patents provide essential incentives for companies to invest in drug and vaccine discovery, we believe the context of a pandemic, combined with the \$18 billion in public funding that has already supported the development of Covid-19 vaccines, may argue against patent protection at this time.

Even with patent waivers, we may simply lack sufficiently consistent manufacturing capacity globally to develop and produce the current generation of vaccines. Long-term investment strategies are critical if we are to withstand the current pandemic and be prepared for future ones. Beyond expanding short-term supply, fostering global cooperation will better situate the global economy to rapidly supply vaccines and therapeutics in the future. Such cooperation is not only a matter of social justice, it is also a sound pragmatic response to ending a pandemic in which a virus and its variants easily cross borders. With a globally coordinated strategy, epidemiology, efficacy, and ethics can be fully aligned.

Covid-19 vaccines provide a pathway out of this pandemic, but bold, innovative policies that ensure fast and fair distribution are also critical. The United States has an unusual and urgent opportunity to ensure that Covid-19 vaccines are available to all. As Ursula von der Leyen, president of the European Commission, recently explained: "A global pandemic requires a world effort to end it — none of us will be safe until everyone is safe." The Biden administration is well positioned to take a leadership role in this next critical phase.

Vaccinating the world is not only a moral obligation to protect our neighbors, it also serves our self-interest by protecting our security, health, and economy. These goals will not be accomplished by making the world wait for wealthy countries to be vaccinated first. By investing in multilateral partnerships with a sense of shared commitment and employing a global allocation strategy that

increases supply and manufacturing, we can meet the urgent challenge of Covid-19, while creating sustainable infrastructures and health systems for the future. Getting the world vaccinated may well be the critical test of our time.

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**[Epidemiological, clinical, and public health response characteristics of a large outbreak of diphtheria among the Rohingya population in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh, 2017 to 2019: A retrospective study](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pmed.1003587)**

Jonathan A. Polonsky, Melissa Ivey, Khadimul Anam Mazhar, Ziaur Rahman, Olivier le Polain de Waroux, Basel Karo, Katri Jalava, Sirenda Vong, Amrisha Baidjoe, Janet Diaz, Flavio Finger, Zakir H. Habib, Charles Erik Halder, Christopher Haskew, Laurent Kaiser, Ali S. Khan, Lucky Sangal, Tahmina Shirin, Quazi Ahmed Zaki, Abdus Salam, Kate White

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**[Patient- and provider-related factors in the success of multidrug tuberculosis treatment in Colombia](#)**

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Alghamdi BS, Alatawi Y, Alshehri FS, Tayeb HO, Tarazi FI

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*Editorial*

### **The story behind COVID-19 vaccines**

By Anthony S. Fauci

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Amid the staggering amount of suffering and death during this historic pandemic of COVID-19, a remarkable success story stands out. The development of several highly efficacious vaccines against a previously unknown viral pathogen, severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), in less than 1 year from the identification of the virus is unprecedented in the history of vaccinology. A frequently asked question is how such an extraordinary accomplishment could have been realized in such a short time frame, when timelines for other vaccines are measured in years if not decades. In fact, concern about this truncated timeline has contributed in part to the hesitancy in accepting these vaccines. What is not fully appreciated is that the starting point of the timeline for SARS-CoV-2 vaccines was not 10 January 2020, when the Chinese published the genetic sequence of the virus. Rather, it began decades earlier, out of the spotlight.

Two activities predate the successful COVID-19 vaccines: the utilization of highly adaptable vaccine platforms such as RNA (among others) and the adaptation of structural biology tools to design agents (immunogens) that powerfully stimulate the immune system. The RNA approach evolved over several years owing to the ingenuity of individual scientists, including Drew Weissman and Katalin Karikó, and the concentrated efforts of several biotech and pharmaceutical companies.

The discovery of an immunogen adaptable to the multiple platforms (messenger RNA and others) used for COVID-19 vaccines resulted from collaboration across different scientific subspecialties. At the Vaccine Research Center (VRC) of the U.S. National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, a group led by Peter Kwong had for several years used tools of structure-based vaccine design to determine the optimal structural conformation of a trimeric protein on the surface of the virus (the envelope protein) that allows HIV to bind to cells and ultimately trigger the production of antibodies that neutralize many HIV viral strains. Although this sophisticated approach has not yet led to a successful HIV vaccine, it caught the attention of another VRC investigator, Barney Graham, who was interested in generating a vaccine for respiratory syncytial virus (RSV). Graham joined Jason McLellan (of Kwong's team) to adapt a structure-based approach to an RSV vaccine. They identified the prefusion conformation of the viral spike protein as highly immunogenic and created mutations to stabilize that conformation for successful use as an immunogen. This was a huge step toward the creation of a successful RSV vaccine.

VRC researchers and colleagues then built on the RSV advances. Graham's team, including Kizzmekia Corbett, and collaborators in the laboratories of McLellan and Andrew Ward adopted this approach of mutational stabilization of prefusion proteins in their work on the spike protein of the coronaviruses that cause Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS) and severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS). So, when the genetic sequence of the SARS-CoV-2 became available, Graham's team lost no time in joining their long-time collaborators at Moderna to develop an RNA vaccine using a stabilized, prefusion spike protein as the immunogen. Pfizer and BioNTech, where Karikó was working, also used the RNA platform that she and Weissman had perfected and the immunogen designed by Graham to develop an RNA vaccine. Additional companies also used Graham's immunogen in other vaccine platforms that had been evolving for years, to make SARS-CoV-2 vaccines.

SARS-CoV-2 vaccines based on the new immunogen rapidly moved to clinical trials. Several of these vaccines were tested in phase 3 efficacy trials at a time when the level of community spread of SARS-CoV-2 was extremely high, allowing vaccine efficacy endpoints of greater than 90% to be reached in a timely fashion. The speed and efficiency with which these highly efficacious vaccines were developed and their potential for saving millions of lives are due to an extraordinary multidisciplinary effort involving basic, preclinical, and clinical science that had been under way—out of the spotlight—for decades before the unfolding of the COVID-19 pandemic. When the stories and recounting of this pandemic are written, it is important that this history not be forgotten, as we are reminded once again of the societal value of a sustained and robust support of our scientific enterprise.

#### *Policy Forum*

#### **Concrete steps to diversify the scientific workforce**

By Shirley Tilghman, Bruce Alberts, Daniel Colón-Ramos, Kafui Dzirasa, Judith Kimble, Harold Varmus  
Science09 Apr 2021 : 133-135 Restricted Access

Any barrier to entry weakens science and its societal impact

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Winter 2021 Volume 19, Number 1

[https://ssir.org/issue/winter\\_2021#](https://ssir.org/issue/winter_2021#)

Read about how workers are using digital tools and online engagement during the COVID-19 pandemic to achieve real benefits, how win-win strategies promoted by academics and business leaders are unproven and counterproductive, how human-centered design for social innovation has become more collaborative and focused on systems change, how employees are fighting to make their companies better corporate citizens, and other topics in the Winter 2021 issue of Stanford Social Innovation Review.

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### **The informed consent process in health research with under-served populations: a realist review protocol**

*The informed consent process aims to provide potential participants with information about health research that enables them to make an informed decision as to whether they choose to participate, or not. However...*

Authors: Eleanor Hoverd, Sophie Staniszewska and Jeremy Dale

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Published on: 9 April 2021

Systematic review update

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*The aim of our study was to determine through a systematic review and meta-analysis the incubation period of COVID-19. It was conducted based on the preferred reporting items for systematic reviews and meta-analyses...*

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Marta Guarch-Rubio, Steven Byrne, Antonio L. Manzanero

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Abrar Alasmari et al

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Gianni Infantino

As it has done before, football, the most popular sport in the world, will play a central role in bringing communities together.

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*Current Issue*

### **World Heritage and Biodiversity**

These articles were prepared in anticipation of the UN Biodiversity Conference (COP 15) originally planned for October 2020 in Kunming, China, and the designation of a "biodiversity super year". Many far-reaching decisions concerning the preservation of biodiversity were meant to be taken in 2020. But 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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