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

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Week in Review

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

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Nobel Prizes – 2023

The Nobel Prize in Physics 2023

Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz and Anne L’Huillier “for experimental methods that generate attosecond pulses of light for the study of electron dynamics in matter”

The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 2023

Katalin Karikó and Drew Weissman “for their discoveries concerning nucleoside base modifications that enabled the development of effective mRNA vaccines against COVID-19”

The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2023

Moungi G. Bawendi, Louis E. Brus and Alexei I. Ekimov “for the discovery and synthesis of quantum dots”

The Nobel Prize in Literature 2023

Jon Fosse “for his innovative plays and prose which give voice to the unsayable”

The Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel 2023

To be announced on Monday 9 October, 11:45 CEST at the earliest.

The Nobel Peace Prize 2023

Narges Mohammadi “for her fight against the oppression of women in Iran and her fight to promote human rights and freedom for all”/

6 October 2023 - Nobel Peace Prize Press Release [Excerpts]

The Norwegian Nobel Committee has decided to award the Nobel Peace Prize for 2023 to Narges Mohammadi for her fight against the oppression of women in Iran and her fight to promote human rights and freedom for all. Her brave struggle has come with tremendous personal costs. Altogether, the regime has arrested her 13 times, convicted her five times, and sentenced her to a total of 31 years in prison and 154 lashes. Ms Mohammadi is still in prison as I speak.

In September 2022 a young Kurdish woman, Mahsa Jina Amini, was killed while in the custody of the Iranian morality police. Her killing triggered the largest political demonstrations against Iran’s theocratic regime since it came to power in 1979. Under the slogan “Woman – Life – Freedom”, hundreds of thousands of Iranians took part in peaceful protests against the authorities’ brutality and oppression of women. The regime cracked down hard on the protests: more than 500 demonstrators were killed. Thousands were injured, including many who were blinded by rubber bullets fired by the police. At least 20 000 people were arrested and held in regime custody.

The motto adopted by the demonstrators – “Woman – Life – Freedom” – suitably expresses the dedication and work of Narges Mohammadi...

... Narges Mohammadi is a woman, a human rights advocate, and a freedom fighter. In awarding her this year’s Nobel Peace Prize, the Norwegian Nobel Committee wishes to honour her courageous fight for human rights, freedom, and democracy in Iran. This year’s Peace Prize also recognises the hundreds of thousands of people who, in the preceding year, have demonstrated against the theocratic regime’s policies of discrimination and oppression targeting women. Only by embracing equal rights for all can the world achieve the fraternity between nations that Alfred Nobel sought to promote. The award to Narges Mohammadi follows a long tradition in which the Norwegian Nobel Committee has awarded the Peace Prize to those working to advance social justice, human rights, and democracy. These are important preconditions for lasting peace.

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UN General Assembly – Global Health Declarations

General Assembly Pledges Improved Response to Global Health Challenges, Adopting Declarations on Pandemic Prevention, Universal Coverage, Fighting Tuberculosis

5 October 2023 GA/12542

The General Assembly today committed to tackle several major global health challenges, adopting three declarations that laid out measures to better prepare for and respond to pandemics, give everyone access to health coverage and care for people suffering from tuberculosis.

Several delegates said the wide-ranging declarations — the outcome of a series of high-level meetings at UN Headquarters from 20-22 September — disregard the effects of unilateral coercive measures on global health, while others expressed their disappointment that the language on sexual and reproductive rights was not stronger.

In the **declaration on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response**, the Assembly committed to scaling up efforts to strengthen regional and international cooperation at the highest political levels, and committed to work to make access to pandemic-related products — such as vaccines, diagnostics and therapeutics — timely, sustainable and equitable.

Through a **declaration on universal health coverage**, the 193-member body pledged to bolster efforts to achieve the health-related Sustainable Development Goals and to expedite the achievement of universal health coverage by 2030. To do so, the Assembly resolved to address the global shortfall of 523 million people without access to quality health care, medicines and services, and to reverse the trend of rising catastrophic out-of-pocket health expenditure by 2030.

A **third declaration, on tuberculosis**, laid out commitments to increase international cooperation to advance research and innovation; to strengthen financial and social protections for people affected by the disease and to alleviate the health-related financial burden experienced by those affected and their families. The Assembly also promised to mobilize financing for tuberculosis research with an aim of reaching \$5 billion a year by 2027.

More than 25 speakers today expressed their position before and after the adoption by consensus of today’s resolutions, through which they endorsed the political declarations. While hailing the declarations as a show of international solidarity to achieve the third Sustainable Development Goal on

good health and well-being, many delegates said that while they joined the consensus, they also disagreed with several parts of the texts...

...The Assembly then adopted the three drafts resolutions — “L.2”, “L.3” and “L.4” without a vote....

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Autonomous Weapon Systems

Joint call by the United Nations Secretary-General and the President of the International Committee of the Red Cross for States to establish new prohibitions and restrictions on Autonomous Weapon Systems

In a joint appeal today, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, António Guterres, and the President of the International Committee of the Red Cross, Mirjana Spoljaric, are calling on political leaders to urgently establish new international rules on autonomous weapon systems, to protect humanity.

News release 05 October 2023

Today we are joining our voices to address an urgent humanitarian priority. The United Nations and the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) **call on States to establish specific prohibitions and restrictions on autonomous weapon systems, to shield present and future generations from the consequences of their use.** In the current security landscape, setting clear international red lines will benefit all States.

Autonomous weapon systems – generally understood as weapon systems that select targets and apply force without human intervention – **pose serious humanitarian, legal, ethical and security concerns.**

Their development and proliferation have the potential to significantly change the way wars are fought and contribute to global instability and heightened international tensions. By creating a perception of reduced risk to military forces and to civilians, they may lower the threshold for engaging in conflicts, inadvertently escalating violence.

We must act now to preserve human control over the use of force. Human control must be retained in life and death decisions. The autonomous targeting of humans by machines is a moral line that we must not cross. Machines with the power and discretion to take lives without human involvement should be prohibited by international law.

Our concerns have only been heightened by the increasing availability and accessibility of sophisticated new and emerging technologies, such as in robotics and Artificial Intelligence technologies, that could be integrated into autonomous weapons.

The very scientists and industry leaders responsible for such technological advances have also been sounding the alarm. If we are to harness new technologies for the good of humanity, we must first address the most urgent risks and avoid irreparable consequences.

This means prohibiting autonomous weapon systems which function in such a way that their effects cannot be predicted. **For example, allowing autonomous weapons to be controlled by machine learning algorithms – fundamentally unpredictable software which writes itself – is an unacceptably dangerous proposition.**

In addition, clear restrictions are needed for all other types of autonomous weapons, to ensure compliance with international law and ethical acceptability. These include limiting where, when and for how long they are used, the types of targets they strike and the scale of force used, as well as ensuring the ability for effective human supervision, and timely intervention and deactivation.

Despite the increasing reports of testing and use of various types of autonomous weapon systems, it is not too late to take action. After more than a decade of discussions within the United Nations, including in the Human Rights Council, under the Convention on Certain Conventional Weapons and at the General Assembly, the foundation has been laid for the adoption of explicit prohibitions and restrictions. Now, States must build on this groundwork, and come together constructively to negotiate new rules that address the tangible threats posed by these weapon technologies.

International law, particularly international humanitarian law, prohibits certain weapons and sets general restrictions on the use of all others, and States and individuals remain accountable for any violations. However, **without a specific international agreement governing autonomous weapon systems, States can hold different views about how these general rules apply. New international rules on autonomous weapons are therefore needed to clarify and strengthen existing law.** They will be a preventive measure, an opportunity to protect those that may be affected by such weapons and essential to avoiding terrible consequences for humanity.

We call on world leaders to launch negotiations of a new legally binding instrument to set clear prohibitions and restrictions on autonomous weapon systems and to conclude such negotiations by 2026. We urge Members States to take decisive action now to protect humanity.

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Gene Editing/Gene Drives – “Deliberate Extinction”

Project to Examine “Deliberate Extinction” of Species

Press Releases Hastings Center

NEW YORK, October 4 – A new project at **The Hastings Center will propose recommendations for deciding if especially dangerous species should be eradicated with gene editing technology.**

Candidate species could include mosquitos that transmit infectious diseases such as malaria; the new world screw worm, which eats the living flesh of animals including human beings; and rats, which pose public health and environmental threats to threatened and endangered species in many places. Nonetheless, the prospect of using genome editing to extinguish a wild species is inherently troubling for many people.

“It’s conceivable that we could use gene editing technology to eliminate an entire species from our planet,” said Gregory E. Kaebnick, a senior research scholar at The Hastings Center who is a principal investigator. “But would that ever be the right thing to do? And how should we approach such a decision?”

The project, which is funded by the National Science Foundation, will support regulatory oversight and promote broad public deliberation about genome editing. In addition to Kaebnick, the project is led by James Collins of Arizona State University. Hastings Center research scholar Athmeya Jayaram is an investigator

The work will be shared through an open-access report and publications for professional and nonprofessional audiences. The project will also build scholarship on these issues, by enlisting a group of scholars in the development of the report and by providing training in values-oriented research to a graduate student in ecology or conservation biology.

The scholarly focus of the project is on philosophical and ethical questions raised by the idea of extinction via genome editing.

Why, exactly, might that idea be troubling? Some of these questions are about the value of species, biodiversity, and the human relationship to nature generally, whether humans ought to reduce the suffering of wild animals, and how trade-offs should be made between public health, agricultural, animal welfare, conservation, values, and other goals. Other questions are about the nature of genome editing and how it differs from other ways of controlling species. Yet other questions include how the public should be engaged in science policy.

The project will contribute to environmental ethics, conservation biology, science and technology studies, and political science.

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Polio – PHEIC

Polio this week as of 04 Oct 2023 - GPEI

Headlines [Selected]

:: In the lead-up to World Polio Day on 24 October, GPEI has launched a *Make Polio History* campaign to rally existing and new supporters of polio eradication from all over the world to champion the cause. We need your help! Add your voice in support of eradication by visiting the [campaign website](#) and taking action.

Summary of new polioviruses this week, cases and positive environmental isolates:

- Afghanistan: one WPV1 case
- Pakistan: seven WPV1 positive environmental samples
- Cameroon: one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample
- Chad: three cVDPV2 cases and one positive environmental sample
- DR Congo: one cVDPV2 case
- Kenya: two cVDPV2 positive environmental samples
- Madagascar: eight cVDPV1 positive environmental samples
- Nigeria: one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample
- Somalia: one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample

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Coronavirus [COVID-19]

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

WHO Weekly Epidemiological and Operational updates

Last update: 04 October 2023

Confirmed cases :: 771 151 224
Confirmed deaths :: 6 960 783

Vaccine doses administered: 13 513 017 637

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Our World in Data

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Vaccinations [Accessed 07 Oct 2023]

- [70.5%](#) of the world population has received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine.
- [13.51 billion doses](#) have been administered globally, and [32,559](#) are now administered each day.
- [32.6%](#) of people in low-income countries have received at least one dose.
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Daily COVID-19 vaccine doses administered

7-day rolling average. All doses, including boosters, are counted individually.

Our World
in Data

LINEAR LOG



Source: Official data collated by Our World in Data

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MPOX

<https://www.who.int/emergencies/situation-reports>

Latest Report

[Multi-country outbreak of mpox, External situation report#28 – 19 September 2023](#)

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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 07 Oct 2023]

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

Meetings Coverage/Press Releases [Selected]

7 October 2023 SG/SM/21981

Secretary-General Strongly Condemns Attack by Hamas against Israeli Towns Near Gaza Strip, Which Have Killed Numerous Civilians, Injured Hundreds

6 October 2023 SG/SM/21975

Today's Nobel Peace Prize Important Reminder that Rights of Women, Girls are Facing Strong Pushback, Secretary-General Says

5 October 2023 GA/12542

General Assembly Pledges Improved Response to Global Health Challenges, Adopting Declarations on Pandemic Prevention, Universal Coverage, Fighting Tuberculosis

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5 October 2023 SG/2264

UN Secretary-General, President of International Committee of Red Cross Jointly Call for States to Establish New Prohibitions, Restrictions on Autonomous Weapon Systems

Following is the joint appeal made today by the Secretary-General of the United Nations, António Guterres, and the President of the International Committee of the Red Cross, Mirjana Spoljaric, calling on political leaders to urgently establish new international rules on autonomous weapon systems, to protect humanity, issued today:

3 October 2023 GA/DIS/3710

Doomsday Clock Stands at 90 Seconds to Midnight, Closer Than Ever to Global Ruin, First Committee Told as General Debate Continues

The risk of nuclear weapons use is real and it is crystal clear that as long as they exist, the world will never be a safer place, the First Committee (Disarmament and International Security) heard today, as it continued its wide-ranging general debate.

2 October 2023 SC/15432

Security Council Authorizes Multinational Security Support Mission for Haiti for Initial Period of One Year, by Vote of 13 in Favour with 2 Abstentions

The Security Council today authorized deployment of a Multinational Security Support Mission, headed by Kenya, in close cooperation and coordination with the Government of Haiti, for an initial period of 12 months, with a review after nine.

UN Human Rights – OHCHR [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/latest>

Latest News, Statements, Press Releases [Selected]

Statements 07 October 2023

Palestine

Comment by UN Human Rights Chief on unfolding situation in Israel and Gaza

Press releases 06 October 2023

Iran

2023 Nobel Peace Prize recognises struggle of women against systems of discrimination, segregation and exclusion in Iran: UN experts

News 04 October 2023

Human Rights Council Holds General Debate on the Human Rights Situation in Palestine and Other Occupied Arab Territories

[The President of the Council noted that Israel was not present in the room.]

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 07 Oct 2023]

https://www.ohchr.org/en/hr-bodies/hrc/news?field_content_category=162&field_entity=1203

Council News

South Sudan: UN Inquiry's report finds that entrenched repression imperils prospects for peace, human rights and credible elections

05/10/2023

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 07 Oct 2023]

<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 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest News

06 Oct 2023 Press releases

UN expert calls for robust child protection structures to stem unregulated and unskilled voluntourism

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

Understanding risks and vulnerabilities and upholding international law critical to protecting children affected by armed conflict

Thursday, 5 October 2023

SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/>
Statements, Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 07 Oct 2023]
<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/poverty/pages/srextremepovertyindex.aspx>
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Special Rapporteur on the right to health [to 07 Oct 2023]
<http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Health/Pages/SRRightHealthIndex.aspx>
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Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 07 Oct 2023]
<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/culturalrights/pages/srculturalrightsindex.aspx>
Latest news
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Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 07 Oct 2023]
<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/ipeoples/srindigenouspeoples/pages/sripeoplesindex.aspx>
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[**Australia: UN experts urge support for Indigenous 'Voice' vote**](#)

Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants
<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/migration/srmigrants/pages/srmigrantsindex.aspx>
Latest News
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UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 07 Oct 2023]
<http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/media-centre.html>
Press releases
[**UN and partners appeal for US\\$97 million to respond to urgent needs of refugees and their hosts in Armenia**](#)
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UN OCHA Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs [to 07 Oct 2023]
<https://www.unocha.org/>
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[**Israel/Occupied Palestinian Territory: UN relief chief appeals to all sides to stop fighting**](#)
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Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest Stories

No new digest content identified.

UNICEF [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest press releases, news notes and statements

Press release 06 October 2023

[Weather-related disasters led to 43.1 million displacements of children over six years - UNICEF](https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/weather-related-disasters-led-431-million-displacements-children-over-six-years)

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/weather-related-disasters-led-431-million-displacements-children-over-six-years>

NEW YORK, 6 October 2023 – Weather-related disasters caused 43.1 million internal displacements of children in 44 countries over a six-year period – or approximately 20,000 child displacements a day – according to a new UNICEF analysis released today. Children Displaced in a Changing Climate is the first global analysis of the number of children...

Press release 06 October 2023

[UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell visits India to spotlight progress on Global Goals for children](https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/unicef-executive-director-catherine-russell-visits-india-spotlight-progress-global-goals-children)

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/unicef-executive-director-catherine-russell-visits-india-spotlight-progress-global>

NEW DELHI/ NEW YORK, 6 October 2023 – UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell concluded a four-day visit to India today to highlight life-saving progress in health and development for millions of vulnerable children, while calling on global leaders to prioritise investment in children to deliver on the world's Sustainable Development Goals. "...

Press release 03 October 2023

[Armed violence takes root in Haiti's "rice basket"](https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/armed-violence-takes-root-haitis-rice-basket)

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/armed-violence-takes-root-haitis-rice-basket>

PORT-AU-PRINCE, NEW YORK, 3 October 2023 – The unchecked violence seen in Haiti's capital, Port-au-Prince, is now similarly intensifying in Artibonite, the nation's main rice-growing region, terrorizing children and families and destroying livelihoods amid unprecedented hunger, malnutrition and a resurgent cholera epidemic. The latest available...

Press release 02 October 2023

[Burkina Faso: New academic year starts with one million children out of school due to ongoing violence and insecurity – UNICEF](https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/burkina-faso-new-academic-year-starts-one-million-children-out-school-due-ongoing-violence-insecurity-unicef)

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/burkina-faso-new-academic-year-starts-one-million-children-out-school-due-ongoing>

OUAGADOUGOU/DAKAR/NEW YORK, 2 October 2023 - On the first day of the new 2023-2024 academic year in Burkina Faso, UNICEF warns that at least 1 in 4 schools – or 6,149 – remain shut due to ongoing violence and insecurity in parts of the country. As a result, an estimated one million children are out of school and exposed to many threats. More than...

IOM / International Organization for Migration [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

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Storm Daniel: Urgent Funding Scale-Up Needed Four Weeks After Libya Disaster

News 05 Oct 2023

IOM and UNODC Release New Guidance to Help Combat Human Trafficking through Data

News 03 Oct 2023

A Decade After the Lampedusa Shipwreck, the Continuing Tragedies Need to End

News 02 Oct 2023

Amy Pope Makes History as First Woman Director General of IOM

UNAIDS [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Selected Press Releases/Reports/Statements

Press statement

UNAIDS welcomes new decision in Colombia allowing more affordable access to quality HIV medicines

Colombia makes landmark decision to declare the HIV medicine dolutegravir of public interest, allowing the country to purchase or manufacture more affordable, generic versions of the live-saving HIV medicine

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WHO & Regional Offices [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

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8 October 2023 Departmental news

EVIPNet and University College London launch new project to pilot the WHO checklist on EIPM institutionalization

The World Health Organization (WHO), the Evidence for Policy & Practice Information and Coordination Centre (EPPI-Centre) at University College London, and the Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases (TDR) are jointly launching a new project on piloting a checklist for the institutionalization of evidence-informed policy-making (EIPM).

This checklist was developed in 2023 and aims at assisting countries in planning, monitoring, evaluating, and learning about their EIPM institutionalization process. However, this tool has seen limited application in practice, leading to a need to test its validity and feasibility in the real world...

7 October 2023 News release

Governments make progress towards agreeing amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005)

Progress was made this week on many of the over-300 proposed amendments to the International Health Regulations 2005 (IHR). In this fifth round of intensive discussions, taking place under the aegis of the Working Group on Amendments to the IHR (WGIHR) – which includes the 196 States Parties to the IHR, the European Union and the Observer Delegation of Palestine...

5 October 2023 Departmental news

Quadripartite launches the Working Group on Youth Engagement for Antimicrobial Resistance

5 October 2023 Departmental news

Message by the Director of the Department of Immunization, Vaccines and Biologicals at WHO - September 2023

2 October 2023 News release

WHO recommends R21/Matrix-M vaccine for malaria prevention in updated advice on immunization

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region

No new digest content identified.

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: 4 Oct 2023

PAHO seeks to strengthen pharmaceutical services in the Americas

Buenos Aires, 4 October 2023 (PAHO)- The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) today presented a new tool to assess the quality of pharmaceutical service provision and launched a network to share information and facilitate collaboration among countries. This aims to improve the quality of pharmacies in the Region through the primary health care...

:: 3 Oct 2023

PAHO Director meets with President of Argentina to discuss regional vaccine development and other priority health issues

Buenos Aires, 3 October 2023 (PAHO/WHO) – The Director of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Dr. Jarbas Barbosa, today met with the President of Argentina, Alberto Fernandez, where they discussed the need to strengthen the production of vaccines and medical supplies in Latin America and the Caribbean in order to ensure regional self-...

:: 2 Oct 2023

PAHO advances technical cooperation with Argentina to strengthen regional production of mRNA vaccines

Under the new agreement, the National Administration of Laboratories and Health Institutes (ANLIS-Malbrán) will develop lipid nanoparticles, essential elements for national vaccine production. Buenos Aires, 2 October 2023 (PAHO)- The Director of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Dr. Jarbas Barbosa today signed a new agreement with...

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

No new digest content identified.

WHO European Region EURO

:: 5 October 2023 News release

"What is wrong with me?" Children face a frustrating lack of answers about long COVID

:: 4 October 2023 News release

Restoring access to primary health care in war-torn areas: WHO installs modular facilities to serve Ukraine's frontline communities

:: 1 October 2023 Statement

Racing to meet the health needs of refugees entering Armenia

WHO Western Pacific Region

No new digest content identified.

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

Multi-country outbreak of cholera, External situation report #7 - 5 October 2023

Overview

Since the last situation report on the multi-country outbreak of cholera was published on 6 September 2023 (covering data reported until 15 of August), and as of 15 September 2023, a new outbreak of acute watery diarrhoea (AWD) was reported from Iraq. In total, 29 countries have reported cases since the beginning of 2023. The WHO African Region remains the most affected region with 16 countries reporting cholera cases since the beginning of the year. The overall capacity to respond to the multiple and simultaneous outbreaks continues to be strained due to the global lack of resources, including shortages of the oral cholera vaccine and cholera supplies, as well as overstretched public health and medical personnel, who are dealing with multiple parallel disease outbreaks and other health emergencies. Based on the large number of outbreaks and their geographic expansion, as well as a lack of vaccines and other resources, WHO continues to assess the risk at global level as very high.

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Disease Outbreak News (DONs)

Latest WHO Disease Outbreak News (DONs), providing information on confirmed acute public health events or potential events of concern.

3 October 2023 | Nipah Virus Infection - India

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

<https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record>

Vol. 98, No. 40, pp. 471–488

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PDF: <https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/373227/WER9840-eng-fre.pdf>

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Global leishmaniasis surveillance, 2022: assessing trends over the past 10 years

6 October 2023

mhGAP Humanitarian Intervention Guide (mhGAP-HIG) training of health-care providers

5 October 2023

[Guidance for country validation of viral hepatitis elimination and path to elimination](#)

4 October 2023

[WHO Expert Committee on Biological Standardization. Seventy-seventh report](#)

3 October 2023

[Strategies to facilitate sharing of technology and knowledge through WHO COVID-19 Technology Access Pool](#)

Overview

The COVID-19 Technology Access Pool (C-TAP), originally proposed by Costa Rica, is a multi-partner initiative established in May 2020 to accelerate the development, manufacture and global distribution of products to diagnose, prevent and treat COVID-19. Sharing of information, knowledge, data and other resources greatly accelerates product development and avoids duplication of efforts. The C-TAP platform facilitates such sharing for the development of products for public health.

At the time of writing, two technology holders, public institutions in Spain and the USA, had entered into licensing agreements with the C-TAP for inventions and candidate products, including vaccines. The C-TAP could be expanded if other technology holders made similar contributions. To promote further engagement of technology holders with the C-TAP, the WHO secretariat administered a questionnaire for Member States to identify legislation, regulations, guidelines and procedures that could be amended or introduced to encourage sharing of technology. Thirty-eight Member States submitted responses to the C-TAP questionnaire. The purpose of this report is to summarize the responses made to the C-TAP questionnaire...

2 October 2023

[Strategic and technical advisory group for tuberculosis: annual meeting report, 3–5 July 2023](#)

1 October 2023

[Ethics and adaptive platform trial design in public health emergencies: meeting report, 18–19 July 2022](#)

Overview

Platform trials using adaptive methods have played a key role in the research response to COVID-19. They raise important ethical issues, however, associated not only with the methods used but also with their scale, their global nature and their probable contribution to pandemic preparedness. This report summarizes the discussions at a 2-day meeting on the findings of five rapid reviews on the ethical aspects of adaptive platform trials after the first 2 years of the COVID-19 pandemic. Cross-cutting themes included the importance of “lean” project management and of pre-pandemic preparedness, particularly in forming trusted relationships in international networks; challenges to meaningful community engagement, ethics review and participant consent; questions of inclusion and the implications for equitable access; factors that influence the fairness and sustainability of international partnerships, including capacity development and knowledge transfer; and governance arrangements that ensure both local and global accountability. Remaining evidence gaps were identified. This report summarizes the key themes that emerged from the review presentations and the subsequent discussion.

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World Organisation for Animal Health [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.oie.int/en/>

Press Releases, Statements

Quadripartite launches the Working Group on Youth Engagement for Antimicrobial Resistance

5 October 2023

The Quadripartite (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, United Nations Environment Programme, World Health Organization and World Organisation for Animal Health) announces the creation of a new Working Group on Youth Engagement for Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR). The members of the working group will inform and guide the quadripartite efforts to raise awareness and include young people in global AMR action...

...Over 200 stakeholders participated at the global consultations on AMR awareness raising, organized in 2022 and identified young people (children, students and youth) as a priority audience for awareness and education efforts. Youth play a significant role as future professionals and consumers. They can also be 'agents of change' with their energy and potential influence on national and global decision-making processes. Therefore, the quadripartite organizations have prioritized young people in AMR awareness-raising efforts. The call for expressions of interest to join the working group was published in May 2023, and the response was overwhelming. The 14 members were selected based on their backgrounds, actively considering the need for sectoral, gender and geographical representation...

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.undp.org/news-centre>

News

Supreme Court of Mauritius decriminalizes same sex relations

October 5, 2023

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

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

Meetings, events, publications

News

Launch of The Sustainable Development Goals Report 2023: Special Edition

The Sustainable Development Goals Report 2023: Special Edition provides a powerful call to action, presenting a candid assessment of the SDGs based on the latest data and estimates. While highlighting the existing gaps and urging the world to redouble its efforts, the report also emphasizes the immense potential for success through strong political will and the utilization of available technologies, resources, and knowledge. Together, the global community can reignite progress towards achieving the SDGs and create a brighter future for all.

According to the report, the impacts of the climate crisis, the war in Ukraine, a weak global economy, and the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic have revealed weaknesses and hindered progress towards the Goals. The report further warns that while lack of progress is universal, it is the world's poorest and most vulnerable who are experiencing the worst effects of these unprecedented global challenges. It also points out areas that need urgent action to rescue the SDGs and deliver meaningful progress for people and the planet by 2030.

The Global SDG Indicators Database containing global, regional and country data and metadata on the official SDG indicators has been updated and accompanies this report.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Resources

6 Oct 2023 | *Press Release*

[Asia Pacific environment ministers commit to action to tackle shared planetary challenges](#)

Environment Ministers and senior officials from the Asia and the Pacific region pledged concerted action to tackle the crises of climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution at the Fifth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific, with the aims of restoring planetary balance and protecting people.

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases, Statements and messages

Updates

7 October 2023

[Addressing climate challenges: Dubai hosts the first Global Urban Resilience Forum and unveils the Urban Resilience Action on Climate Change.](#)

Dubai, 6 October 2023 – Against the backdrop of escalating climate-related disasters, the Global Urban Resilience Forum brought together leaders, experts, and stakeholders from around the world.

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.un.org/en/articles-by-property-w-date/81254>

Articles - Selected

05 Oct 2023 | DESA

[8 topics that will bring us closer to the Internet we want](#)

5 October 2023 - Surfing the Internet for work, school or to get the latest news. Today, more and more people have access to the world wide web. How can we further improve connectivity and create an online space which empowers people? This is the mission of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF) taking place from 8 to 12 October. Here are the 8 main topics on IGF's agenda.

04 Oct 2023 | DESA

[Empowering SDG actions with new tools for tracking SDG progress](#)

4 October 2023 - During the SDG Summit, the UN DESA's Statistics Division, partnering with Google.org, launched the UN Data Commons for the SDGs. This new platform integrates authoritative SDG data and insights from across the UN System into a publicly available tool with AI-powered search functionality and an innovative, user-friendly interface.

02 Oct 2023 | DESA

[Fulfilling the promises of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights across generations](#)

2 October 2023 - This year marks the 75th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which was the first document to outline...

ILO International Labour Organization [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

Digitalization in the retail sector

[Ensure an enabling environment for decent work and economic recovery in the digitalized retail sector](#)

06 October 2023

Governments, employers' and workers' representatives discussed the opportunities and challenges of digitalization in the retail sector, at an ILO technical meeting.

Occupational Safety and Health

[ILO welcomes new global measures addressing workplace hazardous chemicals](#)

05 October 2023

Under a new Global Framework, some of the most harmful chemicals used in the working environment will be phased out.

ILOSTAT Blog

[Quality education for all? We need \(more\) teachers!](#)

05 October 2023

Data insights reveal important teacher shortages in many countries around the world, and declining numbers of vocational education teachers at a time when we need them the most. Policies to improve education quality and outcomes must consider not only students and learners, but also and importantly, teachers.

[ILO's new Regional Director for Africa takes office](#)

04 October 2023

Former Rwandan government minister, Fanfan Rwanyindo Kayirangwa, will serve as Assistant Director-General and Regional Director for Africa, at the International Labour Organization's Regional Office in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.

Podcast

[Job quality or job quantity – which will AI affect most?](#)

04 October 2023

The effects of Generative AI on employment creation and destruction are much discussed, but what will the effects be on job quality, and where will those effects be felt most?

Press release

[ILO Myanmar Commission of Inquiry finds far-reaching violations of freedom of association and forced labour Conventions](#)

04 October 2023

The Commission of Inquiry urges the Myanmar military authorities to immediately cease all forms of violence, torture and other inhumane treatment against trade unionists, and to end all forms of forced or compulsory labour.

Call for Papers

[Youth Employment Research Forum: The dynamics of youth employment and its supporting policy framework](#)

02 October 2023

The ILO, IDRC and INCLUDE invite researchers to submit proposals to present innovative research papers relevant to the future of youth employment. The deadline for submission is Friday, 20 October 2023.

UNESCO [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Selected Press Releases

[UNESCO names Rio de Janeiro as World Book Capital for 2025](#)

6 October 2023

[Armenia: UNESCO to send an emergency mission to assist with refugee welcome](#)

5 October 2023

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Selected Announcements

No new digest content identified.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 07 Oct 2023]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

Press Releases

[UN-Habitat announces special recognitions for sustainable urban development](#)

2 Oct 2023

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

World Food Programme [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Selected News Releases

8 October 2023

[WFP sounds alarm on food security amid conflict in Israel and Palestine, urges immediate humanitarian access](#)

ROME – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) is deeply concerned by the rapidly deteriorating situation in Israel and the State of Palestine and the impact of this conflict on the affected populations.

4 October 2023

Asian Development bank supports families in Afghanistan at times of dire need, when 15 million people go hungry

Kabul – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) in Afghanistan welcomes a contribution by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) of US\$100 million. The funding will allow WFP to provide critical food assistance to more than 1.3 million acutely food insecure people across the country for up to one year. A special focus will be on widow- and women-headed households and other highly vulnerable groups like people with disabilities or families surviving solely on begging. For many of these families, WFP has become their last lifeline.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest News and Highlights

No new digest content identified.

IMO [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

What's New

05 October 2023

Progress on safety guidelines for hydrogen- and ammonia-fuelled ships

The Sub-Committee on Carriage of Cargoes and Containers made significant progress on the development of draft interim guidelines for the safety of ships using hydrogen and ammonia as fuel when it met for its ninth session (CCC 9, 20-29 September 2023). Also discussed were its revision of the IGC Code, the increased frequency of accidents related to entering enclosed spaces resulting in loss of life, and a draft MEPC circular on recommendations for the carriage of plastic pellets by sea in freight containers.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://public.wmo.int>

News

No new digest content identified.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

UPU launches first-ever “State of the Postal Sector” report

05.10.2023 — The Universal Postal Union (UPU) today launched its first comprehensive State of the Postal Sector report, which identifies, for the first time, a clear causal link between countries' postal development and national economic growth, particularly in times of economic shocks and crises.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

No new digest content identified.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press releases

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Announcements/Decisions/Events

No new digest content identified.

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DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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USAID [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

United States Announces \$29 Million Investment to Extend Two Feed the Future Innovation Labs

October 5, 2023

USAID announced a five-year extension for two research partnerships under Feed the Future, the U.S. government's global hunger and food security initiative. These critical investments will increase productivity and raise incomes of small-scale farmers and fishers so they can produce more affordable, nutritious foods and help improve diets in their own communities and beyond.

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [U.K.] [nee DFID] [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press releases

No new digest content identified.

ECHO [to 07 Oct 2023]

https://ec.europa.eu/echo/news-stories/news_en

News

No new digest content identified.

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African Union [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press releases

No new digest content identified.

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://asean.org/category/news/>

Secretariat News

No new digest content identified.

European Commission

<https://ec.europa.eu/cmmission/presscorner/home/en>

Latest [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

OECD [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified; website not responding to inquiries on content.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 07 Oct 2023]

https://www.oas.org/en/media_center/press_releases.asp

Press Release

[OAS and Panama sign agreement to strengthen humanitarian assistance and protection for refugees in the Darien region](#)

October 6, 2023

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS) and the Government of the Republic of Panama, through the Ministry of Government and Ciudad del Saber Foundation, signed an agreement that establishes the starting point for the project "Strengthening the humanitarian assistance, integration and protection of refugees, asylum seekers and host communities in Darien province, in line with the National Action Plan MIRPS, with a focus on children, adolescents and women".

The project will be implemented between 2023 and 2024 with funding from the Comprehensive Regional Protection and Solutions Framework Fund (MIRPS Fund), established within the OAS and administered by its Department of Social Inclusion.

This project will benefit more than 800 refugees and asylum seekers in the province of Darién, specifically in Metetí, Alto Playona, Boca de Cupé and Comarca Emberá (Canaan Membrillo and Bajo Chiquito), through:

- 1) The provision of basic humanitarian assistance kits for health and hygiene (taking into account differentiated needs of women, men and girls and boys),
- 2) The provision of school kits for children and adolescents,
- 3) Training in micro enterprise and basic equipment to women entrepreneurs in the area.

The initiative is part of the first portfolio of projects of the MIRPS Fund, launched with the pioneering contribution of Spain...

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Selected Press Releases

OIC Condemns the Continuing Israeli Military Aggression against the Palestinians, Affirms that the Continued Occupation is the Cause of Instability

The General Secretariat of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) is greatly concerned about the developments on the ground and the dangerous Israeli escalation in the occupied Palestinian territory. It condemned the Israeli military aggression that led to the fall of hundreds of martyrs and wounded among the Palestinian people, stressing that the continuation of the Israeli occupation and its failure to adhere to the resolutions of international legitimacy, and the escalation of the pace of its attacks and daily crimes against the Palestinian people, their land and sanctities, and depriving them of their legitimate rights is the main reason for instability....

07/10/2023

Group of 77 [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest Statements and Speeches [Selected]

Website not responding at inquiry :: "Temporarily Unavailable"

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UNCTAD [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

04 Oct 2023 –

Despite anticipated 'soft landing' of the US economy, UNCTAD warns of stalling and divergent global growth

UNCTAD/PRESS/PR/2023/018

Geneva, Switzerland

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 015 Oct 2022]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

All Regions

Winston Duke Appointed as United Nations Ambassador for Responsible Tourism

04 Oct 2023

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

WTO News and Events [Selected]

WTO lowers 2023 trade growth forecast amid global manufacturing slowdown

5 October 2023

Projections for growth in global merchandise trade in 2023 have been scaled back by WTO economists amid a continued slump that began in the fourth quarter of 2022, according to the latest

WTO trade forecast released on 5 October. The volume of world merchandise trade is now expected to grow by 0.8% this year, less than half the 1.7% increase forecasted in April. The 3.3% growth projected for 2024 remains nearly unchanged from the previous estimate.

Global Health Equity and the Role of Trade

3 October 2023

Remarks by DG Okonjo-Iweala

DG Okonjo-Iweala: International cooperation on trade policy is key to global health equity

3 October 2023

In a lecture delivered at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) on 3 October, WTO Director-General Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala emphasized how trade policy choices helped governments to improve access to vital medical products amidst the COVID-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine. Future crises are inevitable, and the international community would be better positioned to meet these challenges in a world where pharmaceutical capacity is more widely diversified and anchored in open global markets that allow inputs and finished products to circulate more freely, she said.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press releases

02/10/2023

IPU Assembly to focus on good governance to address global crises

International Court of Justice [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

Press release No. 2023/52

6 October 2023

Application of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (Armenia v. Azerbaijan) - Request for the indication of provisional measures - The Court to hold public hearings on Thursday 12 October 2023

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 07 Oct 2023]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

News

ICC Office of the Prosecutor launches public consultation on Policy on Complementarity and Cooperation

Statement 6 October 2023 Office of the Prosecutor

The Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, Mr Karim A.A. Khan KC, is pleased to announce a public consultation on the Office's new draft Policy on Complementarity and Cooperation.

Focused on the core principles of cooperation and complementarity at the heart of the Rome Statute, the paper distils a range of integrated measures and policies that can bring about a paradigm shift in the relationship between the Office of the Prosecutor, national authorities and other accountability mechanisms, and victims and survivors of atrocities globally... Comments can be sent to

OTP.Policies@icc-cpi.int by Monday, 13 November 2023, midnight, CEST. All input received by the

deadline will be carefully considered in the internal review and revision process. The Office welcomes

comments from all stakeholders, whether States (Rome Statute Parties or non-Party States), civil society, regional and international institutions, academics, survivor groups or individual partners.

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World Bank [to 015 Oct 2022]

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

All News [Selected]

World Bank: the importance of groundwater on climate resilience in the Sahel

DAKAR, October, 05th, 2023— The World Bank's Water Global Practice convened a High-Level Dialogue with sector Ministers of Senegal, Mali, Mauritania, Burkina Faso, Chad, and development partners. The meeting...

Date: October 05, 2023 Type: Press Release

Sharp Deceleration Expected for Middle East and North Africa Economies in 2023

Over five million jobs lost due to economic shocks in the last three years WASHINGTON, October 05, 2023 — Growth of the economies in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) is expected to fall sharply...

Date: October 05, 2023 Type: Press Release

Economic Activity in Europe and Central Asia Improves but Growth Lags Pre-Pandemic Levels

WASHINGTON, October 5, 2023—Economic growth for the emerging market and developing economies (EMDEs) of the Europe and Central Asia region has been revised up to 2.4% for 2023, says the World Bank's Economic...

Date: October 05, 2023 Type: Press Release

Digital Solutions Can Fuel Growth, Inclusion and Better Governance in Latin America and the Caribbean

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4, 2023 – Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) made progress in macroeconomic resiliency over previous decades and navigated the multiple post-pandemic crises with relative success. Yet...

Date: October 04, 2023 Type: Press Release

World Bank Advances Support for Collective Action against Corruption in Fiscal Year 2023

WASHINGTON, October 2, 2023 — The World Bank bolstered its engagement with partners to strengthen global collective action against corruption over the past year, as highlighted in its Sanctions System...

Date: October 02, 2023 Type: Press Release

IMF [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.imf.org/en/News>

News

October 3, 2023

IMF Releases the 2023 Financial Access Survey Results

The International Monetary Fund released the results of its fourteenth annual Financial Access Survey (FAS), highlighting the resilience of financial access during the tumultuous COVID-19 pandemic years. Data from 2022 indicate a sustained level of financial inclusion, bolstered by the rise in digital financial services. Notably, microfinance institutions played a pivotal role in responding to the financial needs of the most vulnerable segments of society. However, the FAS data also point to a concerning

dip in the outstanding value of commercial bank loans extended to small and medium enterprises (SMEs) relative to GDP, indicating that their ability to access bank financing may be more constrained and/or demand for credit might have weakened due to tighter financing conditions. Additionally, a persistent gender gap in financial access remains a pressing concern.

African Development Bank [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

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

Press Releases

Natural resource-backed loans are a disaster for Africa, warn IMF and the African Development Bank

06-Oct-2023 - The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has strongly supported a call by the African Development Bank Group urging countries in Africa to stop borrowing loans backed by their natural resources. The IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva met Thursday with the President of the African Development Bank Group, Dr Akinwumi Adesina, in Abidjan, Cote D'Ivoire. It is the first time an IMF head has visited the Bank headquarters since its establishment in 1964.

African Development Bank, IOM collaborate on joint report on diaspora engagement, climate-induced migration and skills mobility

06-Oct-2023 - The African Development Bank and the International Organization for Migration (IOM) have produced a joint report examining the nexus between humanitarian, peace, development and migration. The report, titled Diaspora Engagement, Climate-Induced Migration and Skills Mobility: A focus on Africa, was discussed in a special session in Abidjan held on Thursday 5 October, the final day of the fifth Africa Resilience Forum. This year's forum, focuses on 'Financing Security, Peace and Development for a Resilient Africa.'

Asian Development Bank [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

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No new digest content identified.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.aiib.org/en/news-events/news/index.html>

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News

No new digest content identified.

IDB – Inter-American Development Bank [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

Cryptoasset Ecosystem Shows Significant Growth in Latin America and the Caribbean: IDB Study

October 03, 2023

IDB and CCAF launch a pioneering study about trends in the cryptoasset industry in Latin America and the Caribbean. Cryptoasset firms operating in Latin America and the Caribbean have doubled since 2016. The cryptoasset ecosystem in Latin America and the Caribbean has shown substantial growth, with the number of firms more than doubling since 2016, according to a landmark study by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and the Cambridge Centre for Alternative Finance (CCAF) at the University of Cambridge Judge Business School.
2023-10-04

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

05 OCT

[Call to innovators to join innovation challenge on AI for climate resilience in rural areas](#)

05 OCT

[IFAD and Malawi to build resilience and productivity of small-scale farmers and MSMEs amid ongoing crisis](#)

Islamic Development Bank [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

[Afghanistan Humanitarian Trust Fund \(AHTF\) Receives \\$2 Million Boost from Kuwait Society for Relief](#)

4 October 2023

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:: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch

We 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 07 Oct 2023]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Communiqués de presse
No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://alima.ngo/>

PRESS RELEASES

Critical issues with medical oxygen access in Sub-Saharan Africa featured in new ALIMA campaign Breath for All

10/03/2023

Amref Health Africa [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://aravind.org/>

Aravind News

No new digest content identified.

Blue Shield International [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

BS International News

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest

October 08, 2023

Artificial limbs change lives: Here's how we can scale them up in low-income countries

Clubhouse International [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News/Events

Registration Is Open: 2023 USA Clubhouse Conference in Salt Lake City on October 26-28!

JOIN US on October 26-28 for three days of learning, sharing of Clubhouse best practices and networking at the beautiful Hilton Salt Lake City Center. Don't miss this special opportunity to gather with the US Clubhouse community!

Danish Refugee Council [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://pro.drc.ngo/resources/news/?t=Press+Release>

Press Releases

08 Oct 2023

Press release: DRC Danish Refugee Council responds to earthquake in Afghanistan

02 Oct 2023

Beaten by police, bitten by dogs, and robbed of all rights: New Report Reveals Alarming Pushbacks and Violations at Europe's borders

ECPAT [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

ECPAT News

Oct 6, 2023

World Tourism Day 2023: Call for Action

As part of unified efforts around World Tourism Day, ECPAT International, PACT and the Down to Zero Alliance launch a global Call for Action to create a truly sustainable industry with child protection at the core.

EIFL – Electronic Information for Libraries [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

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

Apply now! EIFL Open Science Train-the-Trainer Bootcamp

05 Oct 2023

Are you based in one of our partner countries and want to strengthen your open science training skills? Apply now for the EIFL virtual open (...)

Open Access Programme

EIFL renews agreement with Brill

05 Oct 2023

EIFL has renewed an agreement with Brill, for a further three years until 31 December 2026. The agreement includes discounted access journals and (...)

Licensing Programme - Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Botswana, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire (...)

Ghana libraries to broaden educational opportunities for students

03 Oct 2023

EIFL and partners have received a grant for a project that will enable public libraries across Ghana to teach thousands of school children (...)

Public Library Innovation Programme - Ghana

Fountain House [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements

:: [Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review](#) - Current edition

:: [NEW Informed Consent: A Monthly Review – October 2023](#)

:: [Genomic Medicine – Governance, Ethics, Policy, Practice: A Monthly Digest](#) – Sep 2023

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

[HI Network Annual Report 2022](#)

International | PUBLISHED ON September 29th 2023

Heifer International [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.heifer.org/blog/newsworthy/index.html>

News

[Heifer Guatemala Featured in 2023 Global Agricultural Productivity Report](#)

Oct. 1, 2023

Heifer International has been featured in this year's [Global Agricultural Productivity \(GAP\) Report](#), an annual report from Virginia Tech's Global Agricultural Productivity Initiative.

HelpAge International [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

What's New [Selected]

[Israel and the Occupied Territories: ICRC calls for immediate protection of civilians after horrific violence](#)

The ICRC calls on all parties to respect their legal obligations under international humanitarian law (IHL). Civilians and healthcare workers must be respected and protected at all times.

07-10-2023 | *Article*

[Joint call by the United Nations Secretary-General and the President of the International Committee of the Red Cross for States to establish new prohibitions and restrictions on Autonomous Weapon Systems](#)

In a joint appeal today, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, António Guterres, and the President of the International Committee of the Red Cross, Mirjana Spoljaric, are calling on political leaders to urgently establish new international rule

05-10-2023 | *News release*

IFRC [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

Press release 06/10/2023

[One month after Morocco earthquake: A race against winter for affected families](#)

International Medical Corps (IMC)

[https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/stories-and-news/
Selected Press Releases/Updates/Alerts](https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/stories-and-news/Selected%20Press%20Releases/Updates/Alerts)
No new digest content identified.

IRC [International Rescue Committee] [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Media highlights

Press Release

[IRC deploys emergency response team to areas of Afghanistan impacted by 6.3 magnitude earthquake](#)

October 8, 2023

Press Release

[The IRC Statement on Israel and Gaza](#)

October 7, 2023

Press Release

[IRC condemns the attack on Hroza](#)

October 5, 2023

Press Release

[IRC: mental health support needs increase among asylum seekers in southern Mexico](#)

October 5, 2023

Press Release

[Libyans struggle with psychological trauma in wake of devastating floods, the IRC warns](#)

October 3, 2023

IRCT [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://irct.org/>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

[Islamic Relief warns of humanitarian nightmare unfolding in Gaza](#)

October 8, 2023

Islamic Relief is warning that the already dire humanitarian situation in Gaza is worsening, as already struggling civilians once more face the horror of major airstrikes.

Landsea [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

What's New

No new digest content identified.

Mercy Corps [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News Releases & Alerts

October 08, 2023

[Mercy Corps Statement on Escalating Violence in Gaza and Israel](#)

Mercy Corps is deeply concerned about the alarming escalation of violence in Israel and Gaza, which has caused hundreds...

October 06, 2023

[Mercy Corps & NGOs in Syria Warn of the Grave Impact of Escalating Hostilities](#)

Mercy Corps and humanitarian NGOs today call on all parties to the conflict to cease hostilities and protect civilians...

October 02, 2023

[Mercy Corps Statement on UN Security Council Approval of Multinational, Kenyan-Led Force in Haiti Amidst Escalating Gang Violence](#)

Statement by Johan Lefebvre Chevallier, Mercy Corps Country Director for Haiti "Our primary concern with the UNSC...

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Refugees, IDPs and people on the move

[MSF statement in response to the EU "Crisis Regulation"](#)

Statement 6 Oct 2023

Armenia

[MSF offers mental health support to people displaced from Nagorno-Karabakh](#)

Project Update 6 Oct 2023

Russia

[Belgorod: Supporting people displaced by violence](#)

Project Update 4 Oct 2023

South Sudan

[Aid woefully inadequate for returnees stuck in deplorable conditions in Renk](#)

Press Release 3 Oct 2023

Morocco

[Mental health needs a priority after Moroccan earthquake](#)

Project Update 2 Oct 2023

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest News

[Israel-Gaza: civilians must be protected in unprecedented violence](#)

07. Oct 2023 - Israel|Palestine

[NRC enters long-term partnership with Equinor to respond to record number of displaced](#)

03. Oct 2023 - Global

OXFAM [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Pact [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest News & Highlights

October 4, 2023

[Six years of progress leaves Mekong governments better equipped to cope with climate change](#)

Countries in the Lower Mekong region are among the most vulnerable in the world to climate change. In Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam, many...

Partners In Health [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News & Stories

[Butaro Hospital completes expansion project, becomes teaching hospital](#)

The expansion improves care for thousands, secures teaching hospital accreditation

October 3, 2023

[PIH Applauds Breakthrough in Access to Key MDR-TB Drug](#)

PIH CEO Dr. Sheila Davis shares her thoughts on what it will mean to have access to generic version's of Johnson & Johnson's bedaquiline, a key drug in the global fight against tuberculosis.

October 1, 2023

PATH [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

[PATH statement on the high-level meetings at the 78th United Nations General Assembly](#)

October 5, 2023 by PATH

PATH commends Member States and the international community for reaffirming their commitments to health through their political declarations, recognizing the challenges that persist and the opportunities to accelerate progress in achieving universal health coverage, ending TB, and preventing, preparing for, and responding to future pandemics...

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

[Girl activists fear for safety: gains come at personal cost](#)

3 October 2023

One in five girl and young women activists have feared for their safety while carrying out their work, our latest research finds.

One in five (17%) girl and young women activists have feared for their safety while carrying out their work, according to new research by girls' rights NGO Plan International.

The [global study](#) – which involved over a thousand young female activists from 26 countries, aged between 15 and 24 – lays bare how girls face a multitude of challenges as they campaign for change, facing risks ranging from hostility from community members to oppressive policing and online abuse.

One in 10 (9%) have faced threats of physical violence as a result of their work, while 15% have experienced online harassment and abuse...

Save The Children [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

8 October 2023 - *Afghanistan*

[New humanitarian funding urgently needed after devastating earthquake in western Afghanistan causes 'a crisis on top of a crisis' -](#)

6 October 2023 - *Syria*

[SYRIA: Urgent calls for a ceasefire following new wave of violence and deaths of at least six children](#)

4 October 2023 - *Australia*

[Bushfires and floods: Threat of multiple disasters in Australia put children's wellbeing at risk](#)

3 October 2023 - *Italy*

[Child migrants account for four in every 100 deaths in the Mediterranean a decade after Lampedusa tragedy](#)

3 October 2023 - *Bangladesh*

[At least 113 children die from dengue in Bangladesh as deaths surge to a record high](#)

Tostan [to 07 Oct 2023]

<http://www.tostan.org>

News & Stories

[Gambia: Stories from the Field](#)

Oct 2, 2023

Tostan's Chief Partnerships Officer Carina Ndiaye visited communities across Gambia in 2023 as part of joining the organization and learning from our grassroots partners. Here, in a love letter to the country, Carina shares how she was surprised, awe-struck and heartened by the lessons and stories shared by community leaders along the way.

Women for Women International [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Article

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 07 Oct 2023]

<http://wvi.org/>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

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Electronic Frontiers Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Our Work

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://freedomhouse.org/news-perspectives/press-releases-statements>

News Releases & Statements

NEW REPORT: Advances in Artificial Intelligence Are Amplifying a Crisis for Human Rights Online

Global internet freedom declined for the 13th consecutive year as conditions deteriorated in 29 countries and improved in 20 others.

October 4, 2023

Human Rights Watch [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Featured Commentary, Announcements, Statements

October 6, 2023

Polish Government Ups Anti-Migrant Rhetoric Ahead of Elections

In a bid to legitimize its anti-migrant agenda, Poland's ruling Law and Justice party (PiS) is holding a national referendum on the same day as national elections on October 15.

Asia

October 5, 2023 Dispatches

Philippine Drag Artist Arrested for 'Offending Religion'

Ryan Thoreson

Specialist, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Rights Program

Americas

October 5, 2023 Dispatches

Brazil's Supreme Court A Step Closer to Decriminalizing Abortion

Regina Tamés

Deputy Director, Women's Rights Division

Cristina Quijano Carrasco

Researcher, Women's Rights

Europe/Central Asia

October 5, 2023 News Release

Guarantee Right to Return to Nagorno Karabakh

Transparency International [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press

No new digest content identified.

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ChildFund Alliance [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 07 Oct 2023]

<http://concordeurope.org/>

Latest News and Events

No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News & Insight

No new digest content identified.

Evidence Aid [to 07 Oct 2023]

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/>

Resources [Selected]

[Sexual and reproductive health interventions during humanitarian crises](#)

Added October 5, 2023

[Evacuation of a hospital during a fire: factors to consider](#)

Added October 3, 2023

Gavi [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News Releases

4 October 2023

[Life-saving HPV vaccine introduced nationwide into routine immunisation schedule to prevent cervical cancer in Cambodia](#)

4 October 2023

[Africa CDC & Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance host the First Manufacturers Marketplace for Vaccine Manufacturing African Union Member States](#)

... The meeting aimed at:

- Gathering African vaccine manufacturers, their Health and Finance Ministers and National Regulatory Authorities, to identify the best modalities for achieving the success and the sustainability of the on-going manufacturing projects;
- Creating awareness among participating member states about the importance of their commitments to select and procure from African manufacturers;

- Creating a platform for manufacturers to present their current vaccine capacity and expansion plans, and discuss how these could help direct/build on market shaping activities;
- Exchanging views on the design of Gavi's proposed African Vaccine Market Accelerator (AVMA) an instrument seeking approximately US \$1 billion of financing, which aims to support sustainable vaccine manufacturing in Africa by offsetting initial costs and enabling competitive entry into the market. The potential AVMA will be considered by the Gavi Board later this year; and
- Sharing best practices for a strengthened private – public partnership.

4 October 2023

The Government of Bangladesh launches nationwide human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination campaign

Supported by UNICEF, Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance and WHO, the campaign will protect girls and women against cervical cancer

2 October 2023

RBM Partnership to End Malaria welcomes WHO's recommendation of world's second malaria vaccine

Global malaria community calls for increased investment in development and scale-up of malaria innovations following R21 vaccine announcement – but RBM Partnership warns "it's not the only solution".

Global Fund [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News & Stories

No new digest content identified

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest Resources/Upcoming Events

No new digest content identified.

InterAction [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest Updates

No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

What's New/Events

Website not responding at inquiry.

CHS Alliance [to 07 Oct 2023]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

Our Impact/Events

No new digest content identified.

Development Initiatives [to 07 Oct 2023]

<http://devinit.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

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Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action

(ALNAP) [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News, Events

Event 12 Oct

[**A practitioner-donor dialogue on Mutual Aid: Supporting crisis-affected communities to help each other**](#)

12 October 2023

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

03.10.2023

[**Evidence submission to the UK International Development White Paper**](#)

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://humanitarianstudies.ch/>

News

[**Celebrating the 25-year anniversary of the Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies**](#)

We are looking forward to the gathering of our cherished community, built over the last 25 years. It is with great excitement that we extend an invitation to celebrate the anniversary of the Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies and take stock of the history, evolution, and future of humanitarian studies through a series of keynote speeches and panel discussions.

Date and venue: the 28th of November at 6:30 pm, at Uni-Dufour, hall U600.

Groupe URD [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Publications, Events, News

No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://ihsa.info/>

Weekly humanitarian blog posts selection
No new digest content identified.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://inee.org/>

News/Events

No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://phap.org/>

Association news, events

No new digest content identified.

Sphere [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News and Blog

No new digest content identified.

Unitaid [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://unitaid.org/>

Featured News

02 October 2023

[Unitaid welcomes J&J's announcement not to enforce patents for vital TB drug](#)

Unitaid applauds Johnson & Johnson's decision, announced Friday 29 September, not to enforce its secondary patents for bedaquiline, a critical medicine for treating drug-resistant tuberculosis (DR-TB). The decision will affect people in 134 low- and middle-income countries, many of which have the highest burden of disease and have struggled to supply the critical medicine due to high costs...

02 October 2023

[World Oxygen Day](#)

In our new [Issue Brief](#), we explain how Unitaid is working with partners to ensure equitable, sustainable access to medical oxygen for the people who need it most. From introducing innovative new devices to provide oxygen to newborns who are struggling to breathe to negotiating cost-saving new deals with liquid oxygen suppliers, we're responding to today's crises while helping build sustainable systems that will save millions more lives in the future.

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Brookings [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Research

Five roles communities need for implementing once-in-a-generation federal resources

Economic Development

Joseph Parilla, Glencora Haskins

October 6, 2023

Young Americans are struggling to gain economic ground. Building a better school-to-career pipeline can help

Martha Ross

October 6, 2023

Social and development impact bonds by the numbers

Development Financing

Emily Gustafsson-Wright, Elyse Painter

October 6, 2023

How educators and policymakers can prepare young people to engage in the 2024 election

Campaigns & Elections

Kei Kawashima-Ginsberg

October 6, 2023

Disasters and the rental housing community

Climate Disasters & Environment

Carlos Martín, Rachel Drew, Anthony Orlando, Jennifer Moody, Seva Rodnyansky, Brian An, Andrew Jakobovics, Noah Patton, Manann Donoghoe

October 5, 2023

A primer on SNAP work requirements

Social Safety Net

Lauren Bauer, Chloe East

October 5, 2023

Is US security dependent on limiting China's economic growth?

Economic Development

Cameron F. Kerry, Mary E. Lovely, Pavneet Singh, Liza Tobin, Ryan Hass, Patricia M. Kim, Emilie Kimball

October 3, 2023

A model of behavioral manipulation

Artificial Intelligence

Daron Acemoglu, Ali Makhdoumi, Azarakhsh Malekian, Asuman Ozdaglar

October 3, 2023

Ukraine Index

Michael E. O'Hanlon, Constanze Stelzenmüller, David Wessel

October 2, 2023

Climate, global governance, and technology

Masood Ahmed, Dany Bahar, Amar Bhattacharya, Nancy Birdsall, Brahim Sangafowa Coulibaly, Hafez Ghanem, Carol Graham, Homi Kharas, Domenico Lombardi, Jacques Mistral, Galip Kemal Özhan, Zia Qureshi, Vera Songwe, Sebastian Strauss

October 2, 2023

Center for Global Development [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

All Research [Selected]

WORKING PAPERS

Identifying Macroeconomic Resilience to External Shocks in Emerging and Developing Countries: Lessons from the Global Shocks of 2020-2022

Liliana Rojas-Suarez

October 05, 2023

This paper uses a straightforward Resilience Indicator, constructed from a small set of economic and institutional variables, to show that by 2019, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent global shocks, it was possible to identify emerging markets and developing countries that would encounter serious economic and financial problems if an external shock were to materialize. The list of developing countries identified as less resilient in 2019 using this simple methodology closely aligns with the World Bank's 2022 compilation of countries in distress or at high risk of external debt distress. Furthermore, the emerging market economies that this indicator identified as the least resilient in 2019 were countries that had either defaulted or were teetering on the edge of default by 2022. Identifying countries that are most vulnerable to large external shocks can assist policymakers and the international community in directing their efforts towards crisis prevention, thereby avoiding the detrimental consequences of financial crises on development.

POLICY PAPERS

The Post-COVID Consensus

Shahid Yusuf

October 02, 2023

Development economics is turning a full circle with a difference. This paper addresses the circling back to the policies in vogue during the 1980s and earlier, including industrial policies, coupled with protectionism; accounts for the regression to earlier certitudes after an extended spell of globalization underpinned by market fundamentalism; and indicates how a transforming global environment has enlarged the policy agenda. There is a new policy consensus in the making, which borrows some elements of the Washington Consensus but goes beyond to encompass a broader policy agenda.

Chatham House [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Selected Analysis, Comment, Events

AI Safety Summit: Can Britain write the AI rulebook?

Britain should seize the summit's opportunity to take on a problem-solving role in the global effort on AI governance, writes Olivia O'Sullivan.

The World Today

29 September 2023

Expert comment

Putin is using de-privatization to create a new generation of loyal oligarchs

The Russian president is shoring up his position by installing a new cohort of less powerful manager figures in key sectors. The policy might become a liability in the long-term.

4 October 2023

Council on Foreign Relations [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.cfr.org/media/news-releases>

New Releases [Selected]

United States

[Preparing for the Next Pandemic Will Require Better Global Governance, Argues New CFR Report](#)

News Releases October 5, 2023

Russia

[U.S. Should Learn From Past Mistakes to Better Deal With Russia, Asserts Thomas Graham in New Book](#)

News Releases October 3, 2023

CSIS [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Reports [Selected]

[In Chip Race, China Gives Huawei the Steering Wheel: Huawei's New Smartphone and the Future of Semiconductor Export Controls](#)

With a new smartphone and new chip, Huawei has returned to the 5G smartphone business in defiance of U.S. sanctions. CSIS's Gregory C. Allen analyzes the implications from this latest development for China's AI industry and the future of semiconductor export controls.

Report by Gregory C. Allen — October 6, 2023

[Managing Geopolitical Risk in Mexico's ICT Sector](#)

CSIS Americas director Ryan C. Berg and Henry Ziemer analyze the risks associated with Huawei's increasing presence in Mexico and outline steps for both the United States and Mexico to mitigate these challenges.

Report by Ryan C. Berg and Henry Ziemer — October 5, 2023

McKinsey Global Institute [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.mckinsey.com/mgi/overview>

Latest Research

No new digest content identified.

ODI [Overseas Development Institute] [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://odi.org/en/publications/>

Publications [Selected]

[Navigating fragility: the new multilateral agenda - concept note](#)

06 October 2023

Working papers

[Foreign Reserves & Global Objectives](#)

06 October 2023

Briefing/policy papers

[Sex, health and rights in displacement and humanitarian response: crises upon crises in Lebanon and beyond](#)

05 October 2023

Case/country studies

Lebanon hosts the highest number of refugees per capita of any country in the world. Key amongst their pressing needs is services for sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), which are often more acute at times of (and following) crisis when fertility rates tend to rise and gender-based violence increases.

SRHR is often seen as lower priority than other areas of humanitarian response, and existing SRHR programming typically focuses on maternal health and interventions related to gender-based violence for heterosexual, cisgender women of reproductive age. In so doing, it fails to address the breadth of SRHR needs and does little to recognise the differing experiences and needs of marginalised groups.

Using Lebanon as a case study, this project sets out to provide evidence of unmet needs for SRHR services in protracted crisis settings and their impacts, addressing persistent misconceptions about the criticality and need for such services...

Silent Crisis: information, decision-making, and communities on the frontlines of climate change

05 October 2023

Research reports

Maximising the developmental value of MDB callable capital: Preliminary findings

04 October 2023

Emerging analysis

The New Collective Quantified Goal and its sources of funding: operationalising a collective effort

04 October 2023

Working papers

Developed countries have an obligation to provide developing countries with climate finance to support their effective implementation of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change and the Paris Agreement. The 'developed' and 'developing' country groups have starkly different responsibilities and capabilities with respect to the climate crisis. As the global economic and financial landscape, and the relative weight and influence of many countries shift, the nuances between countries have resurfaced, particularly in deliberations over the New Collective Quantified Goal as the successor to the current climate finance commitments.

Gender-transformative approaches: Good practices and future frontiers

03 October 2023

Briefing/policy papers

Pew Research Center [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest Publications [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Rand [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Published Research [Selected]

Journal Article

US State Laws Relevant to Incentives for Health Behavior: A Qualitative Analysis

The research team conducted a systematic NexisUni legal database review of state statutes and regulations effective during 2022 to identify laws relevant to contingency management.

Oct 5, 2023

Barbara Andraka-Christou, Michelle Williams, Scott Buksbaum, Josie Karkkainen, Bradley D. Stein, Sydney R. Batchelder, Kelly Peck, Sarah H. Heil, Richard A Rawson, Stacey C. Sigmon

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 07 Oct 2023]

<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, Events

No new digest content identified.

Alan Turing Institute

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

News

Women miss out on AI venture capital investment, new analysis finds

New research shows that women are being left out in the race to invest in AI

Wednesday 04 Oct 2023

Urban Institute [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

New Research Publications - Selected

The Wistar Institute [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Media

No new digest content identified.

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ISC / International Science Council [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://council.science/current/>

ISC is a non-governmental organization with a unique global membership that brings together 40 international scientific Unions and Associations and over 140 national and regional scientific organizations including Academies and Research Councils.

News

Notice of extraordinary General Assembly, 28-29 February 2024

The extraordinary General Assembly will take place virtually.

29.08.2023

National Academy of Engineering - USA [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.nae.edu/31222/MediaRoom>

Latest News & Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://nam.edu/programs/>

News [Selected]

Perlin Family Establishes Endowed Position at the National Academy of Medicine

October 4, 2023

The Jonathan B. Perlin MD and Donna J. Perlin MD Director of NAM Programs has been established at the National Academy of Medicine (NAM) through a generous gift from Jonathan [...]

Statement on NAM Commitment to Reducing Greenhouse Gas Emissions

October 4, 2023

The National Academy of Medicine (NAM) is fully committed to the reduction of emissions of CO2 and other greenhouse gases as the single most important step all organizations must take [...]

National Academy of Medicine Announces 10 Emerging Leaders in Health and Medicine

October 3, 2023

The National Academy of Medicine (NAM) today announced the 2023 Emerging Leaders in Health and Medicine Scholars. These individuals are early- to mid-career professionals from a wide range of health-related fields...

The 2023 Emerging Leaders in Health and Medicine Scholars are:

- Adewole S. Adamson, MD, MPP, assistant professor of internal medicine, Division of Dermatology, Dell Medical School, University of Texas at Austin
- Peter Croughan, MD, addiction medicine physician, Acadiana Area Human Services District; and clinical assistant professor of medicine, Louisiana State University
- Cesar de la Fuente, PhD, presidential assistant professor, University of Pennsylvania
- Elizabeth M. Cespedes Feliciano, ScD, ScM, research scientist, Kaiser Permanente Northern California Division of Research
- Celine Gounder, MD, senior fellow and editor-at-large for public health, KFF Health News; medical contributor, CBS News; and clinical associate professor of medicine and infectious diseases, NYU Grossman School of Medicine and Bellevue Hospital
- Jerreed D. Ivanich, PhD, assistant professor, Centers for American Indian and Alaska Native Health, Colorado School of Public Health, University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus
- Lucinda B. Leung, MD, PhD, MPH, assistant professor of medicine and psychiatry, David Geffen School of Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles, and West Los Angeles VA Medical Center
- Akinyemi Oni-Orisan, PharmD, PhD, assistant professor, University of California, San Francisco
- Anita Shukla, PhD, associate professor, Brown University School of Engineering
- Judy Wawira Gichoya, MBChB, MS, assistant professor of radiology, Emory University

Health Organizations and Key Actors Invited to Advance Health Workforce Well-Being Movement by Joining NAM Change Maker Campaign

October 3, 2023

Join 190 Founding Change Makers in Taking Action to Support Health Workers On the 1-year anniversary of the National Plan for Health Workforce Well-Being, the National Academy of Medicine [...]

NAM Members Katalin Karikó and Drew Weissman Receive Nobel Prize in Medicine

October 2, 2023

The Nobel Assembly at Karolinska Institutet announced today that they have awarded the 2023 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine jointly to Katalin Karikó and Drew Weissman “for their discoveries concerning nucleoside base modifications that enabled the development of effective mRNA vaccines against COVID-19.” Karikó and Weissman were elected to the National Academy of Medicine (NAM) in 2022. The Nobel Assembly at Karolinska Institutet announced today that they have awarded the 2023 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine jointly to Katalin Karikó and Drew Weissman “for their discoveries concerning nucleoside base modifications that enabled the development of effective mRNA vaccines against COVID-19.” Karikó and Weissman were elected to the National Academy of Medicine (NAM) in 2022..

National Academy of Sciences - USA [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom?>

News

Innovation Aided Completion of 2020 Census, But Coverage and Data Quality Issues Persist

News Release | October 3, 2023

National Endowment for the Humanities [U.S.] [to 07 Oct 2023]

https://www.neh.gov/newsroom?f%5B0%5D=news_type%3A281&f%5B1%5D=newsroom_content_type%3Anews

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

NIH [to 07 Oct 2023]

<http://www.nih.gov/>

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

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CIOMS – COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://cioms.ch/>

News; Publications; Events

CIOMS September 2023 Newsletter

The CIOMS September 2023 Newsletter is available [here](#).

Hastings Center [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.thehastingscenter.org/for-media/>

Press Releases

Project to Examine “Deliberate Extinction” of Species

NEW YORK, October 4 – A new project at The Hastings Center will propose recommendations for deciding if especially dangerous species should be eradicated with gene editing technology.

Candidate species could include mosquitos that transmit infectious diseases such as malaria; the new world screw worm, which eats the living flesh of animals including human beings; and rats, which pose public health and environmental threats to threatened and endangered species in many places. Nonetheless, the prospect of using genome editing to extinguish a wild species is inherently troubling for many people.

"It's conceivable that we could use gene editing technology to eliminate an entire species from our planet," said Gregory E. Kaebnick, a senior research scholar at The Hastings Center who is a principal investigator. "But would that ever be the right thing to do? And how should we approach such a decision?"

The project, which is funded by the National Science Foundation, will support regulatory oversight and promote broad public deliberation about genome editing. In addition to Kaebnick, the project is led by James Collins of Arizona State University. Hastings Center research scholar Athmeya Jayaram is an investigator...

INSERM [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.inserm.fr/en/home/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

ICH [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.ich.org/page/press-releases>

News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selective]

Public Consultation: ICH E6(R3) Principles, Annex 1 and Annex 2

The E6(R3) EWG is working on the revision of the E6(R2) Guideline "Good Clinical Practice" (GCP) with a view to addressing the application of GCP principles to the increasingly diverse trial types and data sources being employed to support regulatory and healthcare related decision-making on drugs, and provide flexibility whenever appropriate to facilitate the use of technological innovations in clinical trials. Additional information may also be found in ICH Reflection Paper on "GCP Renovation" on the [ICH Reflection Paper page](#). When complete, E6(R3) will be composed of an overarching principles and objectives document, Annex 1 and Annex 2.

E6(R3) Draft Guideline

Status: Step 3

Remaining public consultation dates:

Health Canada, Canada - Deadline for comments by 20 October 2023

Nuffield Council on Bioethics [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/>

Press Releases

Gender Equality In Healthcare Is A Top Priority, Says New Global Physician Leader

6th October 2023

Gender equality in healthcare is not just a goal, but a necessity. It is integral to ensuring the health and well-being of all individuals, leaving no one behind, the newly elected President of the Association said today.

Dr. Lujain AlQodmani, former International Relations Director of the Kuwait Medical Association in her inaugural speech at WMA's General Assembly in Kigali highlighted the glaring gender disparities that persist in healthcare worldwide.

She pointed to the shocking imbalance in COVID-19 vaccinations, where some countries saw only one woman vaccinated for every three men. The President stressed that this disparity extends beyond vaccinations to maternal healthcare, underscoring that not all women have access to the quality care she was privileged to receive...

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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 07 Oct 2023]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center>

Press Releases and Statements

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 07 Oct 2023]

<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 07 Oct 2023]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News & Updates

Press Release | Oct 04 2023

[Clinton Foundation to Host Summit for the Future of National Service at the Clinton Presidential Center](#)

Co Impact [to 07 Oct 2023]

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.

News

No new digest content identified.

Ford Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.fordfoundation.org/news-and-stories/news-and-press/>

News & Press

No new digest content identified.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.getty.edu/about/#news>

Latest News

[Immerse Yourself in Renowned Architect Frank Gehry's Work](#)

Press Release

Getty presents Modeling Sound and Sculpting Harmony to commemorate Walt Disney Concert Hall's 20th anniversary

Oct 05, 2023

GHIT Fund [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest Updates [Selected]

[Announcing the Hewlett Foundation's Racial Justice Advisory Council](#)

October 3, 2023

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation is proud to announce the launch of our Racial Justice Advisory Council, which is comprised of leaders from the racial justice community along with senior staff from the Hewlett Foundation. The advisory council is an essential component of Hewlett's racial justice strategy — helping the foundation identify emergent needs in the field to advance racial justice, connecting Hewlett with racial justice leaders and organizations, informing the racial justice grantmaking of the foundation, and supporting efforts to integrate diversity, equity, inclusion, and justice across all of Hewlett.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Room

Research Oct 4 2023

[How Tubular Bacterial Weapons Compromise Plant Cells to Cause Disease](#)

Microbes flood leaves and then proliferate in the water-logged patches. New research answers a long-standing question about just how this happens and points toward a potential countermeasure.

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Latest News and Highlights

No new digest content identified.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Kellogg Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News & Media

[From words to actions: celebrating Indigenous Peoples' Day 2023](#)

Oct. 6, 2023

Charting the path to racial equity through nursing

Oct. 6, 2023

Mixed delivery of Michigan's PreK for All could include home-based early childhood educators

Oct. 5, 2023

Resilience and restoration

Haiti

Oct. 4, 2023

Aga Khan Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://the.akdn/en/resources-media/whats-new/press-release>

News releases

No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News, Events, What We're Learning

Actually Fighting Misinformation

October 5, 2023

Grantee Research

Misinformation seems to spread as fast as celebrity gossip, circling around political and pop culture stories alike. So MediaJustice is using pop culture to tackle it. A limited series podcast Actually...Hold Up uses familiar stories in pop culture to show how the media landscape spreads misinformation and how consumers can fight back. Episodes dive into topics like the Depp v Heard Trial and the Hollywood writers' strike to break down the Media Manipulation Cycle. The series features communities who challenge misinformation and invites others to interrupt the cycle.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

<https://www.mellon.org/press>

News

No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Recent News

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation announces 2023 Moore Inventor Fellows

October 4, 2023

ALO ALTO, October 4, 2023 — Today, the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation announced the 2023 cohort of Moore Inventor Fellows. The fellowship supports scientist-inventors who create new tools and technologies with a high potential to accelerate progress in the foundation's areas of interest: scientific discovery, environmental conservation and patient care...

Open Society Foundations [to 07 Oct 2023]
<https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/newsroom>
Newsroom
No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]
<http://www.packard.org/news/>
News
No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 07 Oct 2023]
<http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/about/news-room>
News Room
No new digest content identified.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]
<https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/>
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Oct 05 2023 *Press Releases*

CARE USA Launches Arts for Gender Equality Fellowship With Support From The Rockefeller Foundation

The fellows include eight groundbreaking female artists from around the world ATLANTA, GEORGIA | October 5, 2023 — CARE USA is proud to announce the Arts for Gender Equality fellowship, made possible ...

Oct 04 2023 *Press Releases*

The Rockefeller Foundation and the Asian Institute of Technology Partner To Drive Climate-Resilient Agriculture Solutions in Southeast Asia

The Rockefeller Foundation and The Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) join forces to catalyze regenerative agriculture practices, minimize climate change impacts, and promote sustainable food production in Southeast Asia. ...

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 07 Oct 2023]
<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.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 07 Oct 2023]
<https://sloan.org/about/press>
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

News. Opinion, Reports

Analysis

Author - Charlie Weller

Childhood immunisation is recovering, but there's a long way to go

4 October 2023

20.5 million children hadn't received essential vaccinations in 2022, according to the latest data from the World Health Organization (WHO) and UNICEF. While that marks an improvement to 2021, coverage still falls short of pre-pandemic levels for many countries.

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Candid [formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar] [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

Press Releases/News

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 07 Oct 2023]

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

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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 14, 2023 Issue 3

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 25, Number 10: E719-790

<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/geriatric-psychiatry>

Geriatric Psychiatry

Twenty percent of the US population is expected to be 65 years of age or older by 2030. Ageism's pervasiveness in US culture means it is also pervasive in health care and a cause of inequity that profoundly undermines older adults' quality of life. Independence and autonomy losses tend to accompany aging for all of us. Older adults are vulnerable to exploitation and are exposed to late-life stressors that affect their mental health, accompany compromise or loss of independence and autonomy, and tend to track declines in general health and cognitive function. This theme issue investigates reasons why diminishing numbers of geriatric mental health clinicians should draw clinical, ethical, and legal attention to whether and how well US health care and its workforce is prepared to deliver the volume and quality of care older adults deserve.

American Journal of Human Genetics

Oct 05, 2023 Volume 110 Issue 10 p1607-1826

<https://www.cell.com/ajhg/current>

Commentary

The need for an intersectionality framework in precision medicine research

Maya Sabatello, et al.

Summary

Precision medicine research has seen growing efforts to increase participation of communities that have been historically underrepresented in biomedical research. Marginalized racial and ethnic communities have received particular attention, toward the goal of improving the generalizability of scientific knowledge and promoting health equity. Against this backdrop, research has highlighted three key issues that could impede the promise of precision medicine research: issues surrounding (dis)trust and representation, challenges in translational efforts to improve health outcomes, and the need for responsive community engagement. Existing efforts to address these challenges have predominantly centered on single-dimensional demographic criteria such as race, ethnicity, or sex, while overlooking how these and additional variables, such as disability, gender identity, and socioeconomic factors, can confound and jointly impact research participation. We argue that increasing cohort diversity and the responsiveness of precision medicine research studies to community needs requires an approach that transcends conventional boundaries and embraces a more nuanced, multi-layered, and intersectional framework for data collection, analyses, and implementation. We draw attention to gaps in existing work, highlight how overlapping layers of marginalization might shape and substantiate one another and affect the precision-medicine research cycle, and put forth strategies to facilitate equitable advantages from precision-medicine research to diverse participants and internally heterogeneous communities.

American Journal of Infection Control

September 2023 Volume 51 Issue 9 p967-1082

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

September 2023 Volume 65 Issue 3 p347-550

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

September 2023 113(9)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 109 (2023): Issue 3 (Sep 2023)

<https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/109/2/tpmd.109.issue-3.xml>

[Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

September 2023 Volume 176, Issue 9

<https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Antiquity – A Review of World Archeology

Issue 394 - August 2023

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Anti-Trafficking Review

No. 20 (2023)

<https://antitraffickingreview.org/index.php/atrjournal/issue/view/31>

Anti-Trafficking Review is the first open access, peer reviewed journal dedicated to the issue of human trafficking. It explores trafficking in its broader context and intersections with gender, labour, and migration.

Special Issue – Home and Homelessness

This special issue of Anti-Trafficking Review examines the links between housing, homelessness, migration, and exploitation. With contributions from New Zealand, Australia, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore, the United States, and Ecuador, it critiques immigration, criminal justice, and social welfare systems that are failing migrants, survivors of trafficking, and other marginalised groups. It demonstrates how these systems create conditions for exploitation and uplifts the voices of people struggling to find not just a roof over their head but a home.

[Reviewed earlier]

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 322 September 2023

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/322/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 07 Oct 2023)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 07 Oct 2023)

Cost minimization analysis of a hexavalent vaccine in Argentina

Argentina currently uses a pentavalent vaccine containing diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whole cell), Haemophilus influenza type b and hepatitis B antigens, administered concomitantly with the inactivated polio ...

Authors: Ignacio Olivera, Carlos Grau Pérez, Luis Lazarov, Eduardo Lopez, Cristian Oddo and Hugo Dibarboure

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2023 23:1067

Content type: Research Published on: 6 October 2023

Investigating the tendency to use COVID-19 vaccine booster dose in Iran

Vaccine hesitancy is recognized as a significant public health threats, characterized by delays, refusals, or reluctance to accept vaccinations despite their availability. This study, aimed to investigate the ...

Authors: Mehrdad Askarian, AmirAli Rastegar Kazerooni, zahra Shayan, Parisa Karimzadeh, Mohammad Movahedi and Nahid Hatam

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2023 23:1051

Content type: Research Published on: 2 October 2023

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 07 Oct 2023)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medical Ethics

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

(Accessed 07 Oct 2023)

Public attitudes towards genomic data sharing: results from a provincial online survey in Canada

While genomic data sharing can facilitate important health research and discovery benefits, these must be balanced against potential privacy risks and harms to individuals. Understanding public attitudes and p...

Authors: Holly Etchegary, Georgia Darmonkov, Charlene Simmonds, Daryl Pullman and Proton Rahman

Citation: BMC Medical Ethics 2023 24:81

Content type: Research Published on: 7 October 2023

BMC Medicine

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

(Accessed 07 Oct 2023)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

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

(Accessed 07 Oct 2023)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

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

(Accessed 07 Oct 2023)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Research Notes

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

(Accessed 07 Oct 2023)
[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

October 2023 - Volume 28 - 5

<https://ebm.bmj.com/content/28/5>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

BMJ Global Health

August 2023 - Volume 8 - 9

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/8/9>

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

September 2023

<https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2023-09/>

Contents

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 101(9); 2023 Sep 1

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/issues/444008/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 49, Issue 5 Pages: 787-940 September 2023

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

SPECIAL ISSUE: THE PERVERSIVE EFFECTS OF COVID-19 ON CHILDREN: A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE PART II

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal

Volume 143 September 2023

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/child-abuse-and-neglect/vol/143/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 114, Issue 4 Pages: 723-932 October 2023

<https://ascpt.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15326535/current>

White Paper Open Access

Clinical Pharmacology Applications of Real-World Data and Real-World Evidence in Drug Development and Approval—An Industry Perspective

Rui Zhu, et al. International Consortium for Innovation and Quality in Pharmaceutical Development (IQ) Real-World Data Working Group

Pages: 751-767

First Published: 02 July 2023

Reviews

A Case for Synthetic Data in Regulatory Decision-Making in Europe

Clara Alloza, Bethany Knox, Hanaya Raad, Mireia Aguilà, Ciara Coakley, Zuzana Mohrova, Élodie Boin, Marc Bénard, Jessica Davies, Emmanuelle Jacquot, Coralie Lecomte, Alban Fabre, Michael Batech

Pages: 795-801

First Published: 13 July 2023

Design and Execution of Sustainable Decentralized Clinical Trials

Pritibha Singh, Andrea M. Burden, Fanni Natanegara, Robert A. Beckman

Pages: 802-809

First Published: 25 July 2023

Clinical Therapeutics

September 2023 Volume 45 Issue 9 p807-924

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 20 Issue 5, October 2023

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/20/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

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

[Accessed 07 Oct 2023]

Child health services and armed conflict in Tigray, North Ethiopia: a community-based study

Access to basic health services, notably child health services, is severely hampered by the armed conflict in Tigray, North Ethiopia. Little is known regarding the impacts of the armed conflict during the war ...

Authors: Mache Tsadik, Hailay Gebretnsae, Asefa Ayalew, Akeza Awealom Asgedom, Aregawi Gebreyesus, Tigist Hagos, Marta Abrha, Kiros Weldegerima, Birikti Abrha, Gelawdiwos Gebre, Mulubrhan Hagos, Rie Esayas, Mezgebe Gebregeorgis, Hailay Abrha Gesesew and Afework Mulugeta
Content type: Research 5 October 2023

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 132 September 2023

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/132/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

The CRISPR Journal

Volume 6, Issue 4 / August 2023

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/6/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Genetic Medicine Reports

Volume 10, issue 3, September 2022

<https://link.springer.com/journal/40142/volumes-and-issues/10-3>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Medical Research and Opinion

Volume 39, Issue 9 2023

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/icmo20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Protocols in Human Genetics

<https://currentprotocols.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/19348258>

[Accessed 07 Oct 2023]

[No new digest content identified]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 23, Issue 3 Pages: 197-292 September 2023

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 33, Issue 7, 2023

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

Note

[**Building sustainable, resilient, and nutritionally enhanced local food systems through home gardens in developing countries**](#)

Karim M. Maredia, D. Hashini Galhena Dissanayake, Russell Freed, Sunil Madan, Gunasingham Mikunthan, Adrienne Attorp, Naveen Patidar, Helga Blanco-Metzler, Raja Rajeswari Meka & Julian Gonsalves

Pages: 852-859

Published online: 08 Jun 2023

Development Policy Review

Volume 41, Issue 5 September 2023

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 16 - Issue 6 - December 2022

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

Volume 47, Issue 3 Pages: 543-846 July 2023

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/2023/47/3>

[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 24 Issue 9 6 September 2023

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 29, Number 10—October 2023

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Epidemics

Volume 44 September 2023

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/44/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 151 - 2023

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & Human Research

Volume 45, Issue 5 Pages: 1-47 September–October 2023

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

Adaptive clinical trials :: Deprioritizing ongoing clinical trials

Articles

Ethics of Adaptive Designs for Randomized Controlled Trials

Gershon Chongwe, Joseph Ali, Dan Kabonge Kaye, Charles Michelo, Nancy E. Kass

Pages: 2-14

First Published: 01 October 2023

Deprioritization of Ongoing Clinical Trials

Barbara E. Bierer, Deborah A. Zarin, Luke Gelinas

Pages: 27-33

First Published: 01 October 2023

Ethics & International Affairs

Volume 37 - Issue 2 - Summer 2023

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/ethics-and-international-affairs/latest-issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics, Medicine and Public Health

Volume 30 October 2023

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/ethics-medicine-and-public-health/vol/30/suppl/C>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 33, Issue 4, August 2023

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/33/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy

Volume 118 July 2023

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/118/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Security

Volume 15, issue 4, August 2023

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/15-4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

September 2023

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

Ukraine: Insights and implications

The war on Ukraine has caused forced displacement on a scale and at a speed not witnessed in Europe since World War II. This issue seeks to address questions that have arisen out of the crisis, reflecting on the lessons learned from the immediate response and the implications for the international refugee and asylum system.

This issue is available in English, Ukrainian and Russian. We encourage you to share it with your networks.

Foreign Affairs

September/October 2023 Volume 102, Number 5

<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/issues/2023/102/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 50, 2023 - Issue 3

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Genetics in Medicines

Volume 25, Issue 9 September 2023

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/genetics-in-medicine/vol/25/issue/9>

[Reviewed earlier]

Genome Medicine

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

[Accessed 07 Oct 2023]

[No new digest content identified]

Geoheritage

Volume 15, issue 2, June 2023

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/volumes-and-issues/15-2>

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Global Health Action

Volume 16, Issue 1 (2023)

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

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Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

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Special Section: Global Voices for Global Justice: Expanding Right to Health Frameworks

...The papers in this special section work together to move toward a global social medicine for the 22nd century. They envision a global social medicine that confronts and moves beyond the traditionally colonial, xenophobic, heteronormative, patriarchal, gender-binary-bound, capitalist, and racist histories of the fields of global health and human rights. They seek to instantiate a global social medicine that centers knowledge and experiences from the Global South and works toward social justice and health equity at scale. In this special section, the authors are particularly interested in understanding, challenging, and expanding our perspectives and enactments of the right to health. Unlike neoliberal perspectives on health that often limit their explanatory capacity to how individuals behave in the world, the papers here move beyond the focus on lifestyles and on the phantasmagoria of a sovereign subject with supposedly free agency. Instead, authors work toward critical consciousness that accounts for structural processes—with their inequities and disruptions, as well as their effects on individuals—and how this consciousness can open new horizons for collective transformation and social emancipation in health...

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Marc R. H. Kosciuszew

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Published online: 21 Aug 2023

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Amy Iwasaki & José Luiz Pederzoli

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Organized criminal actors generate trillions of dollars in earnings every year – while deeply undermining peace and security. Organized crime generates and contributes to armed violence all around the world, in the context of both armed conflict and other situations of violence. The human and humanitarian costs are astronomical: countless lives lost and disappeared, not to mention lost livelihoods, restricted access to essential services, and corrosion of institutions. This edition of the Review examines the intersections among organized crime, armed conflict and other situations of violence, looking at the vexing legal, ethical and operational questions this nexus raises.

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[**Peer Review and Scientific Publication at a Crossroads-Call for Research for the 10th International Congress on Peer Review and Scientific Publication**](#)

John P. A. Ioannidis, MD, DSc; Michael Berkwits, MD, MSCE; Annette Flanagan, RN, MA; et al.
free access

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[**Three Decades of Peer Review Congresses**](#)

Drummond Rennie, MD; Annette Flanagan, RN, MA

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[Faith Chesire](#), [Michael Mugisha](#), [Ronald Ssenyonga](#), [Christopher J. Rose](#), [Allen Nsangi](#), [Margaret Kaseje](#), [Nelson K. Sewankambo](#), [Matt Oxman](#), [Sarah E. Rosenbaum](#), [Jenny Moberg](#) ... [See all authors](#)

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Abstract

Aim

The aim of this prospective meta-analysis was to synthesize the results of three cluster-randomized trials of an intervention designed to teach lower-secondary school students (age 14–16) to think critically about health choices.

Methods

We conducted the trials in Kenya, Rwanda, and Uganda. The intervention included a 2- to 3-day teacher training workshop, digital resources, and ten 40-min lessons. The lessons focused on nine key concepts. We did not intervene in control schools. The primary outcome was a passing score on a test (≥ 9 of 18 multiple-choice questions answered correctly). We performed random effects meta-analyses to estimate the overall adjusted odds ratios. Secondary outcomes included effects of the intervention on teachers.

Results

Altogether, 244 schools (11,344 students) took part in the three trials. The overall adjusted odds ratio was 5.5 (95% CI: 3.0–10.2; $p < 0.0001$) in favor of the intervention (high certainty evidence). This corresponds to 33% (95% CI: 25–40%) more students in the intervention schools passing the test. Overall, 3397 (58%) of 5846 students in intervention schools had a passing score. The overall adjusted odds ratio for teachers was 13.7 (95% CI: 4.6–40.4; $p < 0.0001$), corresponding to 32% (95% CI: 6%–

57%) more teachers in the intervention schools passing the test (moderate certainty evidence). Overall, 118 (97%) of 122 teachers in intervention schools had a passing score.

Conclusions

The intervention led to a large improvement in the ability of students and teachers to think critically about health choices, but 42% of students in the intervention schools did not achieve a passing score.

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[The response to substandard and falsified medical products in francophone sub-Saharan African countries: weaknesses and opportunities](#)

Assuring the quality of medical products manufactured, imported or distributed in francophone sub-Saharan Africa remains a challenge, despite positive signals like the growing engagement in the benchmarking of...

Authors: Cécile Macé, Jean-Baptiste Nikiema, Omar Serigne Sarr, Patient Ciza Hamuli, Roland Djang'eing'a Marini, Richard Cizungu Neci, Pernette Bourdillon Esteve and Raffaella Ravinetto
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Volume 8, Number 2 - (June 2022)

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Special Issue on Gender

This issue of the *Journal on Education in Emergencies (JEiE)* offers an in-depth analysis of the unique gendered effects humanitarian emergencies have on boys and girls. It adds to more than two decades of EiE research that demonstrates how conflict and crisis exacerbate existing political, economic, and cultural barriers to education access and widen the gender gap in educational attainment.

The Lancet

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*To mark **our bicentennial year**, we have published a special issue to celebrate, self-reflect and amplify our founding ideas with our present-day impact and vision for the future. Discover more of our Lancet 200 campaign and the five health issues we're spotlighting this year*

THE LANCET



Editorial

The Lancet's 200 years: much more to do

The Lancet

Oct 5, 2023, is The Lancet's 200th anniversary. To mark the moment, we are this week publishing a special theme issue to reflect on what our history means and what the future might hold. The Lancet's founder, Thomas Wakley, intended to open medical knowledge to a wider readership and to engage politically with the health issues of his time. In their review article, Martin Gorsky and Agnes Arnold-Forster describe The Lancet's participation in some of the biggest scientific discoveries of the past two centuries, together with the campaigns our predecessors initiated or joined. But the reality is that the personality of the journal—its interests and attitudes—has evolved with each new generation of editors, reviewers, authors, and contributors.

The journal's perspective today is very different from that of 1823. Our collective task is to reinvent Wakley's purpose for a new time. Perhaps the most important difference between then and now is that we seek to be more inclusive of communities worldwide. Our intention is to foster a truly global conversation about health, medicine, and medical science, with the goals of advancing health, health equity, and social justice. To achieve these aims, we depend on collaborations with the medical community, especially the academic medical community—indeed, we view the research community as a transformative untapped resource in society for science-based advocacy and social change.

To try to accelerate progress towards our objectives and to mark our special anniversary, we have chosen five areas that we see as important priorities (Spotlights**): universal health coverage (UHC), mental health, climate change and health, research for health, and child and adolescent health.** What have we learned so far? For UHC, despite fine words and false promises from political leaders and international agencies, lack of sustainable financing, fragmentation of services, and siloed approaches are continuing barriers to progress. Midway through the Sustainable Development Goals, UHC needs not merely renewed attention, but also concrete operational commitments at national levels. The prospects are not encouraging...

...200 years isn't a milestone. It is only a brief moment in the long and erratic history of human endeavour. Much of what we call progress in health is as much due to increasing prosperity and wider educational opportunity, as it is to technical medical advance. But the importance of health as an idea in society lies beyond the immediate materiality of bodily wellbeing. Our concern for health and our investment in health systems are proof of our social commitments to one another—health is an expression of our human solidarity. We will be learning lessons from our anniversary Spotlights, lessons

that we will take with us into 2024 and beyond. Meanwhile, we wish to thank you for being part of a community inspired by the notion that practising medicine is a privilege that comes with a great responsibility—to advance the health of society, as well as the individual person.

Articles

Integrated management of HIV, diabetes, and hypertension in sub-Saharan Africa (INTE-AFRICA): a pragmatic cluster-randomised, controlled trial

Sokoine Kivuyo, et al; on behalf of the RESPOND-AFRICA Group

Open Access

Review

The Lancet 1823–2023: the best science for better lives

Martin Gorsky, Agnes Arnold-Forster

Summary

The Lancet celebrates its 200th anniversary in 2023. In this survey of the journal's history, we explore how it has contributed to shaping medicine both in the UK and internationally, and how it has demonstrated a commitment to “The best science for better lives”. For two centuries, the journal has published pioneering articles on key developments in medical science and the organisation of health care. We explore the campaigning and advocacy work of the journal through several indicative areas where science and policy meet, balancing national and global themes over the 19th and 20th centuries. Themes include the raising of professional standards; environmental health in urbanising Britain; the transformation of surgery; the emergence of tropical medicine; the science and politics of vaccination; the advance towards universal health coverage; and the transition from international to global health. In the imperial era, both the journal's research reports and editorial stance were sometimes inflected with colonial attitudes, although it consistently presented medicine as an international endeavour. The Lancet's blend of science and advocacy demonstrates a track record of campaigning for medicine in the cause of social betterment.

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Volume 622 Issue 7981, 5 October 2023

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Editorial 03 Oct 2023

[Seize the moment: researchers have a rare opportunity to make progress in protecting global biodiversity](#)

A quiet revolution is taking place to incorporate the costs of biodiversity loss into economic planning. It needs researchers to be engaged.

Comment 27 Sept 2023

[AI tools as science policy advisers? The potential and the pitfalls](#)

Large language models and other artificial-intelligence systems could be excellent at synthesizing scientific evidence for policymakers — but only with appropriate safeguards and humans in the loop. Chris Tyler, K. L. Akerlof, William J. Sutherland

Nature Biotechnology

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Ten-Year Follow-up of 9-Valent Human Papillomavirus Vaccine: Immunogenicity, Effectiveness, and Safety

Jaime Restrepo, MD; Teobaldo Herrera, MD; Rudiwilai Samakoses, MD; Julio C. Reina, MD; Punnee Pitisuttithum, MBBS, DTM&H ...

The 9vHPV vaccine demonstrated sustained immunogenicity and effectiveness through ~10 years post 3 doses of 9vHPV vaccination of boys and girls aged 9 to 15 years.

Quality Reports

Increasing COVID-19 Vaccination Rates for Children With Sickle Cell Disease

Adam P. Yan, MD; Natasha M. Archer, MD, MPH; Dianne Arnold, RN, MSN; Eileen Hansbury, PA-C, MS; Matthew M. Heeney, MD ...

The COVID-19 vaccine is important for children with sickle cell disease (SCD). This quality improvement project's objective was to increase the proportion of children with SCD receiving ≥ 2 COVID-19 vaccine doses to $\geq 70\%$ by June 2022.

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A call to implement preclinical study registration in animal ethics review

Matthew S. Jeffers, Aileen MacLellan, Marc T. Avey, Julia ML Menon, Janet Sunohara-Neilson, Dean A. Fergusson, Manoj M. Lalu

Perspective | published 05 Oct 2023 PLOS Biology

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Internal and external factors affecting vaccination coverage: Modeling the interactions between vaccine hesitancy, accessibility, and mandates

Kerri-Ann M. Anderson, Nicole Creanza

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Prioritizing persons deprived of liberty in global guidelines for tuberculosis preventive treatment

Aditya Narayan, Argita D. Salindri, Salmaan Keshavjee, Monde Muyoyeta, Kavindhran Velen, Zulma V. Rueda, Julio Croda, Salome Charalambous, Alberto L. García-Basteiro, Sheela V. Shenoi, Crhistinne C. M. Gonçalves, Liliane Ferreira da Silva, Lia G. Possuelo, Sarita Aguirre, Gladys Estigarribia, Guillermo Sequera, Louis Grandjean, Lily Telisinghe, Michael E. Herce, Fernanda Dockhorn, Frederick L. Altice, Jason R. Andrews

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Summary points

- Persons deprived of liberty (PDLs) are disproportionately impacted by tuberculosis, with high incidence rates and often limited access to diagnostics, treatment, and preventive measures.
- The World Health Organization (WHO) expanded its recommendations for tuberculosis preventive treatment (TPT) to many high-risk populations, but their guidance does not include PDL, and most low- and middle-income countries do not routinely provide TPT in prisons.
- Recent studies demonstrate high acceptability and completion rates of short-course TPT regimens in jails and prisons; costs of these regimens have been markedly reduced through international agreements, making this an opportune for further expanding their use.
- We argue that PDL should be a priority group for TPT in national guidelines and discuss implementation considerations and resource needs for TPT programs in carceral facilities.
- Scaling access to TPT for PDL is important for reducing disease and transmission in this population; it is also critical to advancing an equitable response to tuberculosis.

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Volume 38 - Issue 5 - October 2023

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Systematic Review

Ethical Decision Making in Disaster and Emergency Management: A Systematic Review of the Literature

Joe Cuthbertson, Greg Penney

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Abstract

Ethical decision making in disaster and emergency management requires more than good intentions; it also asks for careful consideration and an explicit, systematic approach. The decisions made by leaders and the effects they have in a disaster must carry the confidence of the community to which they serve. Such decisions are critical in settings where resources are scarce; when decisions are perceived as unjust, the consequences may erode public trust, result in moral injury to staff, and cause community division. To understand how decisions in these settings are informed by ethics, a systematic literature review was conducted to determine what ethical guidance informs decision making in disaster and emergency management. This study found evidence of ethical guidance to inform decision making in disaster management in the humanitarian system, based on humanitarian principles. Evidence of the application of an ethical framework to guide or reference decision making was varied or absent in other emergency management agencies or systems. Development and validation of ethical frameworks to support decision making in disaster management practice is recommended.

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Special issue: Ancient DNA

Introduction to Special Issue

Glimpses of genomes past

BY Corinne Simonti, Madeleine Seale

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Ancient DNA has radically altered our understanding of the evolutionary history of many plants and animals, as well as our own. It has revealed areas of our genomes that were inherited from closely related archaic hominins, granted insight into past ecosystems, and unveiled extinct species and populations from across the tree of life. Each sample of ancient DNA is a snapshot of a place and time, giving a brief glimpse into the past. A better understanding of the DNA that was inherited by modern individuals—and, sometimes more importantly, the DNA that wasn't—can inform us about many evolutionary processes, including adaptation, speciation, and domestication.

As the field of ancient DNA matures, we now have the foundational understanding to appreciate the finer details granted by these snapshots. Studies of past plants and animals can help to illuminate the changing ecological landscape, as well as our role in those changes. When human studies are done ethically and responsibly, we can integrate with communities and rediscover stories that have been lost or erased from history, thereby possibly reconnecting modern people to historical relatives. Beyond these focused investigations, however, the technical limits of ancient DNA remain unclear. Although methodologies for capturing ancient DNA have greatly improved, how long DNA can survive environmental damage in different climates and conditions is still an open question.

Though we will never be able to get a full picture of the past, studies of ancient DNA continue to reveal previously unknown aspects of history across organisms. This special issue examines the changing landscape of how ancient DNA is studied today, including previously untapped sources, improvements in technology, and ethical challenges, and what we've learned about ourselves through ancient DNA.

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Confronting deep uncertainty in the forest carbon industry

BY Geoff Wells, Unai Pascual, Chris Stephenson, Casey M. Ryan

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Resilience-based and service-focused approaches could reduce contentions and injustices

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Stanford Social Innovation Review

Spring 2023 Volume 21, Number 2

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Read about how America can craft a new narrative to fully realize its multiracial democracy, how civil society is innovating new ways to reinvigorate democratic politics, how nonprofits can better manage their capacity by delving into their true assets and liabilities, how carbon-offset programs further greenwashing and threaten Indigenous people's rights, and other topics in the Spring 2023 issue of *Stanford Social Innovation Review*.

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Mariam Adam, et al.

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UN Chronicle

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SDG 4: quality education / teaching

[**Addressing the Teacher Shortage—a Global Imperative**](#)

David Edwards

The mission of the United Nations High-Level Panel on the Teaching Profession is clear: ensure that every student benefits from a professionally trained, qualified and well-supported teacher.

Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies

An International Interdisciplinary Journal for Research, Policy and Care

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World Heritage Review

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World Heritage

... This issue of *World Heritage* magazine features African heritage leaders who are empowering peers and creating positive ripple effects from Egypt to Mozambique. A report on climate change details the critical benefits provided by World Heritage forests notably through carbon absorption, with one caveat – their capacity will continue to decline unless we act now. A compelling story comes from Havana, Cuba, where a major UNESCO programme Transcultura is blending tangible heritage, intangible practices and contemporary creativity, true to the way culture intersects in the local communities...

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Research Article metrics AWAITING PEER REVIEW

[How resilient were family planning programs during the COVID-19 pandemic? Evidence from 70 countries](#) [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]

Karen Hardee, Rebecca Rosenberg, John Ross, Imelda Zosa-Feranil

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[Participant Flow Diagrams for Health Equity in AI Research](#)

Jacob Ellen, João Matos, Martin Viola, Jack Gallifant, Justin Michael Quion, Leo Anthony Celi, Nebal S. Abu Hussein

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Reassessing Fragility: A Comparative Analysis of the Fragility Index With the Relative Risk Index

Thomas F Heston

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BACKGROUND: In biostatistics, assessing the fragility of research findings is crucial for understanding their clinical significance. This study focuses on the fragility index, unit fragility index, and relative risk index as measures to evaluate statistical fragility. The relative risk index quantifies the deviation of observed findings from therapeutic equivalence. In contrast, the fragility indices assess the susceptibility of p-values to change significance with minor alterations in outcomes within a 2x2 contingency table. While the fragility indices have intuitive appeal and have been widely applied, their behavior across a wide range of contingency tables has not been rigorously evaluated...

Understanding the factors affecting global political priority for controlling sexually transmitted infections: a qualitative policy analysis

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Abstract

Introduction Sexually transmitted infections (STIs) are a significant public health challenge, but there is a perceived lack of political priority in addressing STIs as a global health issue. Our study aimed to understand the determinants of global political priority for STIs since the 1980s and to discern implications for future prioritisation.

Methods Through semi-structured interviews from July 2021 to February 2022, we engaged 20 key stakeholders (8 women, 12 men) from academia, United Nations agencies, international non-governmental organisations, philanthropic organisations, and national public health agencies. A published policy framework was employed for thematic analysis, and findings triangulated with relevant literature and policy documents. We examined issue characteristics, prevailing ideas, actor power dynamics and political contexts.

Results A contrast in perspectives before and after the year 2000 emerged. STI control was high on the global health agenda during the late 1980s and 1990s, as a means to control HIV. A strong policy community agreed on evidence about the high burden of STIs and that STI management could reduce the incidence of HIV. The level of importance decreased when further research evidence did not find an impact of STI control interventions on HIV incidence. Since 2000, cohesion in the STI community has decreased. New framing for broad STI control has not emerged. Interventions that have been funded, such as human papillomavirus vaccination and congenital syphilis elimination have been framed as cancer control or improving newborn survival, rather than as STI control.

Conclusion Globally, the perceived decline in STI control priority might stem from discrepancies between investment choices and experts' views on STI priorities. Addressing STIs requires understanding the intertwined nature of politics and empirical evidence in resource allocation. The ascent of universal health coverage presents an opportunity for integrated STI strategies but high-quality care sustainable funding and strategic coordination are essential.

Research participants' perception of ethical issues in stroke genomics and neurobiobanking research in Africa

Ayodele Jegede, Olubukola Balogun, Olorunyomi Felix Olorunsogbon, Michelle Nichols, Joshua Akinyemi, Carolyn Jenkins, Mayowa Ogunronbi, Arti Singh, Reginald Obiako, Kolawole Wahab, Abiodun Bello, Albert Akpalu, Fred S. Sarfo, Lukman F. Owolabi, Babatunde Ojebuyi, Muiywa Adigun, Dorcas Olujobi, Rabi'u Musbahu, Musibau Titiloye, Ibukun Afolami, Benedict Calys-Tagoe, Ezinne Uvere, Ruth Laryea, Adekunle Fakunle, Osi Adeleye, Deborah Adesina, Nathaniel Mensah, Wisdom Oguike, Nathaniel Coleman, Sunday Adeniyi, Lanre Omotoso, Shadrack Asibey, Lois Melikam, Jibril Yusuf, Abdullateef Gbenga, Aliyu Mande, Muhammed Uthman, Rajesh N. Kalaria, Mayowa Owolabi, Bruce Ovbiagele, Oyedunni Arulogun, Rufus O. Akinyemi

Impact of digital assistive technologies on the quality of life for people with dementia: A scoping review

Charlotte Schneider, Marcia Nißen, Tobias Kowatsch, Rasita Vinay

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Abstract

Background Digital assistive technologies (DATs) have emerged as promising tools to support the daily life of people with dementia (PWD) by offering support in various aspects of daily life. Quality of life (QOL) is an important consideration when discussing the care of PWD in relation to their autonomy. Current research tends to concentrate either on specific categories of DATs, or provide a generic view. Therefore, it would be of essence to provide a review of the different kinds of DATs, and how they contribute to improving QOL for PWD.

Objective This scoping review aimed to review DATs and their impact on QOL for PWD.

Method For this scoping review a broad literature search was performed in Cochrane, Embase, PubMed, Scopus, and Web of Science, covering scientific literature from January 2013 and May 2023. Screening and data extraction were conducted, followed by quantitative and qualitative analysis using thematic analysis principles and Digital Therapeutics (DTx) Alliance categories for DAT grouping.

Results The literature search identified 6'083 records, with 1'056 duplicates. After screening, 4'560 full-texts were excluded, yielding 122 studies of different designs. The DATs were categorized into digital therapeutics (n=109), patient monitoring (n=30), digital diagnostics (n=2), care support (n=2), and health system clinical software (n=1). These categories were identified to impact various aspects of QOL: preserving autonomy, engagement, and social interaction, health monitoring and promotion, improving activities of daily living, improving cognition, maintaining dignity, managing behavioral and psychological symptoms of dementia (BPSD), and safety/surveillance.

Conclusions Various DATs offer extensive support, elevating the QOL of PWD. Digital therapeutics are predominantly used for aging-in-place and independent living through assistance with daily tasks. Future research should focus on less-represented DHT categories, such as care support, health & wellness or software solutions. Observing ongoing DAT developments and their long-term effects on QOL remains essential.

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We observe increasing levels of "posting pollution" by individuals, sometimes posting 10+ items of no value. We will resume selective monitoring beginning in September.

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Multidisciplinary approach to community engagement in global public health research

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Abstract

Recently, there has been a renewed interest in the role of community engagement in knowledge production and ethical issues such as 'helicopter research', indicating exploitative research activities of

some researchers as well as short-term relationships with research communities especially in low- and middle-income countries. This approach is detrimental to both communities and the larger scientific community as this may breed mistrust. Major institutions such as the National Institute of Health and Care Research in the United Kingdom have highlighted the importance of community engagement as a tool to improve the reach, quality, and impact of the research by incorporating the voices and concerns of marginalized communities. Similarly, in its 2022 guidance, the American Society for Human Genetics (ASGH) highlights the need to address underrepresentation in genomics research through community engagement. Establishing ethical and meaningful long-term relationships can be challenging especially for researchers who are not members of the community or those from other countries. This article describes how 'community-engaged research' can address some ethical challenges in global public health in different cultural settings.

Research Article Open Access

[REVISED - Human movement patterns of farmers and forest workers from the Thailand-Myanmar border](#) [version 2; peer review: 2 approved with reservations]

Sai Thein Than Tun, et al.

Abstract

Background: Human travel patterns play an important role in infectious disease epidemiology and ecology. Movement into geographic spaces with high transmission can lead to increased risk of acquiring infections. Pathogens can also be distributed across the landscape via human travel. Most fine scale studies of human travel patterns have been done in urban settings in wealthy nations. Research into human travel patterns in rural areas of low- and middle-income nations are useful for understanding the human components of epidemiological systems for malaria or other diseases of the rural poor. The goal of this research was to assess the feasibility of using GPS loggers to empirically measure human travel patterns in this setting, as well as to quantify differing travel patterns by age, gender, and seasonality among study participants.

Methods: In this pilot study we recruited 50 rural villagers from along the Myanmar-Thailand border to carry GPS loggers for the duration of a year. The GPS loggers were programmed to take a time-stamped reading every 30 minutes. We calculated daily movement ranges and multi-day trips by age and gender. We incorporated remote sensing data to assess patterns of days and nights spent in forested or farm areas, also by age and gender.

Results: Our study showed that it is feasible to use GPS devices to measure travel patterns, though we had difficulty recruiting women and management of the project was relatively intensive. We found that older adults traveled farther distances than younger adults and adult males spent more nights in farms or forests.

Conclusion: The results of this study suggest that further work along these lines would be feasible in this region. Furthermore, the results from this study are useful for individual-based models of disease transmission and land use.

Study Protocol Open Access

[A feasibility study of controlled human infection with intradermal Bacillus Calmette-Guérin \(BCG\) injection: Pilot BCG controlled human infection model](#) [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]

Emma Carter *, et al.

Abstract

Tuberculosis (TB) caused 1.5 million deaths in 2020, making it the leading infectious killer after COVID-19. Bacille Calmette-Guerin (BCG) is the only licensed vaccine against TB but has sub-optimal efficacy against pulmonary TB and reduced effectiveness in regions close to the equator with high burden. Efforts to find novel vaccines are hampered due to the need for large-scale, prolonged, and costly clinical trials. Controlled human infection models (CHIMs) for TB may be used to accelerate vaccine development by ensuring only the most promising vaccine candidates are selected for phase 3

trials, but it is not currently possible to give participants Mycobacterium tuberculosis as a challenge agent.

study aims to replicate and refine an established BCG CHIM at the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine. Participants will receive an intradermal injection with licensed BCG vaccine (Statens Serum Institut strain). In phase A, participants will undergo punch biopsy two weeks after administration, paired with minimally invasive methods of skin sampling (skin swab, microbiopsy, skin scrape). BCG detection by classical culture and molecular methods will be compared between these techniques and gold standard punch biopsy. Techniques meeting our pre-defined sensitivity and specificity criteria will be applied in Phase B to longitudinally assess intradermal BCG growth two, seven and fourteen days after administration. We will also measure compartmental immune responses in skin, blood and respiratory mucosa in Phase B.

This feasibility study will transfer and refine an existing and safe model of BCG controlled human infection. Longitudinal BCG quantification has the potential to increase model sensitivity to detect vaccine and therapeutic responses. If successful, we aim to transfer the model to Malawi in future studies, a setting with endemic TB disease, to accelerate development of vaccines and therapeutics relevant for underserved populations who stand to benefit the most.

Registration: ISRCTN: [ISRCTN94098600](https://www.isrctn.com/ISRCTN94098600) and ClinicalTrials.gov: [NCT0582059](https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/show/study?term=NCT0582059)

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