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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, Development, Heritage Stewardship, Peace-Conflict. Achieving a balance across these broad themes is a challenge and we appreciate your observations and ideas in this regard.

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Myanmar – Human Rights; Humanitarian Response

Joint Press Statement on the Human Rights and Humanitarian Situation in Myanmar

Media Note January 6, 2025

*The text of the following joint statement was released by the High Representative **on behalf of the European Union and the Governments of the United States, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, Norway, the Republic of Korea, Switzerland, Timor-Leste, and the United Kingdom** to address the human rights and humanitarian crisis in Myanmar.*

We are deeply concerned by the worsening human rights and humanitarian crisis across Myanmar. This crisis is exacerbated by the escalation of violence, as well as intercommunal tension. **The regime's ongoing and violent repression of the people of Myanmar is unacceptable.**

There are **credible reports of human rights violations and abuses and international humanitarian law violations committed against civilians**. These include:

- abduction and forced recruitment of children and members of ethnic and religious minorities;
- the Myanmar military's indiscriminate aerial bombardments that kill and injure civilians and damage civilian infrastructure;
- sexual and gender-based violence;
- the burning of homes;
- attacks on humanitarian workers and facilities; and
- restrictions on humanitarian access by the military regime and various armed groups.

We have also seen disturbing reports of dismemberment and burning of civilians.

The intensification of the conflict in Rakhine State and the suffering experienced by all communities there, including Rohingya, is deeply concerning. The reports of violations of international law targeting Rohingya, in addition to the military's history of stoking intercommunal tensions in Rakhine State and elsewhere across the country, underscore the grave dangers to civilians.

We are troubled by the lack of safe areas for civilians to escape the conflict and attacks on civilians fleeing the violence across Myanmar. Humanitarian needs have increased due to the conflict and been exacerbated by the regime's denial of humanitarian access.

The ongoing conflict has resulted in the displacement of more than 3.5 million people, some of whom have fled the country. More than 15 million people now face acute food insecurity. Disease outbreak, including cholera, is on the rise while access constraints inhibit the delivery of medical assistance.

We urge the military regime and all armed actors in Myanmar to de-escalate violence, respect international humanitarian law and international human rights laws, protect civilians, and allow full, safe, and unimpeded humanitarian access so that life-saving aid can be provided to all people in need,

including women, children, and members of ethnic and minority populations. We emphasize that addressing the underlying discrimination and brutal treatment faced by Rohingya must be a part of a political solution to the crisis in Myanmar.

We again urge the implementation of UNSC resolution 2669 (2022) which called for the immediate end to all forms of violence in Myanmar and urged restraint, the de-escalation of tensions, and the release of all arbitrarily detained prisoners.

We reiterate our full support for ASEAN's central role in finding a resolution to the crisis, including the work of the ASEAN Chair and Special Envoy, consistent with the Five Point Consensus, and acknowledge the important role of the UN Secretary-General's Special Envoy on Myanmar.

We continue to support calls for genuine, constructive, and inclusive dialogue to find a peaceful solution to the situation in Myanmar and a return to the path of inclusive democracy.

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Antisemitism

On Antisemitism

Opinion editorial – Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

06 January 2025

[Editor's text bolding]

There are troubling signs of resurgent antisemitism in Europe and around the world, from attacks on Jews and harassment in public spaces to rising online hatred and more. One survey of European Jews [published on July 11 by the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights] found almost all those questioned [between January and June 2023] had encountered antisemitism in the past year, while a majority sometimes hid their Jewish identity. We should all be disturbed and horrified by this.

Europeans, above all, know where hate speech and discrimination lead. Antisemitism is real, and it is abhorrent: a poisonous ideology with deep roots in bigotry and racism that still plagues our world. It is manifest in many ways, from prejudice and stigma to pogroms and, ultimately, genocide. **Eighty years after the Holocaust, we have a particular responsibility to be vigilant against this deadly scourge, wherever it appears.** As Anne Frank wrote, "What is done cannot be undone, but one can prevent it happening again."

Criticism of human rights violations is an essential part of our vigilance against antisemitism. In itself, such criticism cannot be antisemitic. However, attempts to apply the label of antisemitism to legitimate human rights concerns have increased significantly since the horrific attacks by Hamas and other armed Palestinian groups on 7 October 2023.

The scale and brutality of the killings on that day, the accounts of torture and sexual violence, and the taking of hostages – many still held captive – shocked us all. These are all grave breaches of international law that **I have repeatedly condemned together with the entire United Nations system and countries across the world**, and those responsible need to be held to account.

In the 14 months that have followed, according to the Ministry of Health in Gaza, Israeli military operations have killed more than 45,000 Palestinians. **My Office has found that a large majority**

of verified fatalities are children and women, demonstrating an apparent indifference to civilian lives.

The Israeli authorities have also failed to fulfil their obligation to meet the massive humanitarian needs in Gaza. As a result, Gaza is suffocated by death and despair, and drowning in raw sewage and disease. **Israel's policies in Gaza have been marked by grave breaches of international law – which I have repeatedly condemned.**

I have spent time with Israeli survivors and relatives of the hostages seized on 7 October, and with Palestinians who suffered terrible injuries and trauma in Gaza. In both cases, I wanted to embrace them, to cry with them, and to hold their pain and suffering for them. Such encounters bring us back to our core values as people: empathy, compassion, care for others. These core values are essential if we are to support each other and find a way through these most challenging times.

The Israeli policies that have contributed to the catastrophe in Gaza have been strongly criticised, including by many Israelis and Jews around the world. In some cases, such criticism has crossed a line into antisemitism – for example, by holding all Jews responsible for the actions of the Israeli government. It is not difficult to connect this false narrative with recent attacks on synagogues and other Jewish religious and cultural sites, which have been defaced with messages instilling fear and provoking more discrimination and hate. I condemn this unreservedly.

I also reject attempts to conflate all criticism of Israeli government policies and military operations with antisemitism. It is not antisemitic, for example, to deplore military operations that raise grave concerns over violations of international humanitarian and human rights law. Nor is it antisemitic to condemn those violations and urge respect for the law – including the decisions of international courts . **Nor is it antisemitic to call Israel to account for the tens of thousands of people in Gaza, including more than 250 of our own UN staff, who have been killed since 7 October 2023.**

My Office stands for the human rights and dignity of each and every person. We document human rights violations in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, in Israel, and in many other places, regardless of the identity of perpetrators and victims. **We are not pro- or anti- anyone; rather, we are pro-everyone. That is the radical truth of human rights.**

The United Nations will continue to do everything in our power to prevent and end antisemitism and to remind people everywhere of the lessons of the Holocaust. It is unacceptable that new forms of this hatred are adding to centuries of discrimination, repression and targeted violence. We will also continue to resist the instrumentalization of the fight against antisemitism.

Together, **we must work for a world in which we see each other in all our humanity; recognize the pain and suffering of others – including historic trauma; and strive to end that pain without discrimination, without dehumanization, and with compassion.**

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Cybercrime

[UN General Assembly adopts landmark convention on cybercrime](#)

New York, 24 December 2024

Concluding a five-year negotiation process, the General Assembly on Tuesday adopted the United Nations Convention against Cybercrime, a landmark global treaty aimed at strengthening international cooperation to combat cybercrime and protecting societies from digital threats.

The UN Convention against Cybercrime aims to prevent and combat cybercrime more efficiently and effectively, including by **strengthening international cooperation and by providing technical assistance and capacity-building support, particularly for developing countries.**

"We live in a digital world, one where information and communications technologies have enormous potential for the development of societies, but also increases the potential threat of cybercrime. With the adoption of this Convention, **Member States have at hand the tools and means to strengthen international cooperation in preventing and combating cybercrime, protecting people and their rights online,**" said the President of the UN General Assembly Philémon Yang.

The UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) served as secretariat to the negotiations.

"The adoption of this landmark convention is a major victory for multilateralism, marking the first international anti-crime treaty in 20 years. It is a crucial step forward in our efforts to address crimes like online child sexual abuse, sophisticated online scams and money laundering," said UNODC Executive Director Ghada Waly...

The General Assembly adopted the resolution without a vote. UN Member States, with the input of civil society, academic institutions and the private sector, had negotiated the text for over five years.

The Convention will open for signature at a formal ceremony to be hosted by Viet Nam in 2025. It will enter into force 90 days after being ratified by the 40th signatory. UNODC will continue to serve as secretariat to the Ad Hoc Committee, which is mandated to negotiate a draft protocol to supplement the Convention, as well as to the future Conference of the States Parties.

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"United Nations Convention against Cybercrime; Strengthening International Cooperation for Combating Certain Crimes Committed by Means of Information and Communications Technology Systems and for the Sharing of Evidence in Electronic Form of Serious Crimes"

[Countering the use of information and communications technologies for criminal purposes](#)

UN General Assembly A/79/460

24 Dec 2024 :: 47 pages

PDF: <https://daccess-ods.un.org/access.nsf/Get?OpenAgent&DS=A/79/460&Lang=E>

[Selected Articles]

Article 6

Respect for human rights

1. States Parties shall ensure that the implementation of their obligations under this Convention is consistent with their obligations under international human rights law.
2. Nothing in this Convention shall be interpreted as permitting suppression of human rights or fundamental freedoms, including the rights related to the freedoms of expression, conscience, opinion, religion or belief, peaceful assembly and association, in accordance and in a manner consistent with applicable international human rights law.

Article 14

Offences related to online child sexual abuse or child sexual exploitation material

1. Each State Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when committed intentionally and without right, the following conduct:

- (a) Producing, offering, selling, distributing, transmitting, broadcasting, displaying, publishing or otherwise making available child sexual abuse or child sexual exploitation material through an information and communications technology system;
- (b) Soliciting, procuring or accessing child sexual abuse or child sexual exploitation material through an information and communications technology system;
- (c) Possessing or controlling child sexual abuse or child sexual exploitation material stored in an information and communications technology system or another storage medium;
- (d) Financing the offences established in accordance with subparagraphs (a) to (c) of this paragraph, which States Parties may establish as a separate offence.

2. For the purposes of this article, the term "child sexual abuse or child sexual exploitation material" shall include visual material, and may include written or audio content, that depicts, describes or represents any person under 18 years of age:

- (a) Engaging in real or simulated sexual activity;
- (b) In the presence of a person engaging in any sexual activity;
- (c) Whose sexual parts are displayed for primarily sexual purposes; or
- (d) Subjected to torture or cruel, inhumane or degrading treatment or punishment and such material is sexual in nature.

3. A State Party may require that the material identified in paragraph 2 of this article be limited to material that:

- (a) Depicts, describes or represents an existing person; or
- (b) Visually depicts child sexual abuse or child sexual exploitation.

4. In accordance with their domestic law and consistent with applicable international obligations, States Parties may take steps to exclude the criminalization of:

- (a) Conduct by children for self-generated material depicting them; or
- (b) The consensual production, transmission, or possession of material described in paragraph 2 (a) to (c) of this article, where the underlying conduct depicted is legal as determined by domestic law, and where such material is maintained exclusively for the private and consensual use of the persons involved.

5. Nothing in this Convention shall affect any international obligations which are more conducive to the realization of the rights of the child.

Article 15

Solicitation or grooming for the purpose of committing a sexual offence against a child

1. Each State Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law the act of intentionally communicating, soliciting, grooming, or making any arrangement through an information and communications technology system for the purpose of committing a sexual offence against a child, as defined in domestic law, including for the commission of any of the offences established in accordance with article 14 of this Convention.

2. A State Party may require an act in furtherance of the conduct described in paragraph 1 of this article.

3. A State Party may consider extending criminalization in accordance with paragraph 1 of this article in relation to a person believed to be a child.

4. States Parties may take steps to exclude the criminalization of conduct as described in paragraph 1 of this article when committed by children.

Article 16

Non-consensual dissemination of intimate images

1. Each State Party shall adopt such legislative and other measures as may be necessary to establish as criminal offences under its domestic law, when committed intentionally and without right, the selling, distributing, transmitting, publishing or otherwise making available of an intimate image of a person by means of an information and communications technology system, without the consent of the person depicted in the image.
2. For the purpose of paragraph 1 of this article, "intimate image" shall mean a visual recording of a person over the age of 18 years made by any means, including a photograph or video recording, that is sexual in nature, in which the person's sexual parts are exposed or the person is engaged in sexual activity, which was private at the time of the recording, and in respect of which the person or persons depicted maintained a reasonable expectation of privacy at the time of the offence.
3. A State Party may extend the definition of intimate images, as appropriate, to depictions of persons who are under the age of 18 years if they are of legal age to engage in sexual activity under domestic law and the image does not depict child abuse or exploitation.
4. For the purposes of this article, a person who is under the age of 18 years and depicted in an intimate image cannot consent to the dissemination of an intimate image that constitutes child sexual abuse or child sexual exploitation material under article 14 of this Convention.
5. A State Party may require the intent to cause harm before criminal liability attaches.
6. States Parties may take other measures concerning matters related to this article, in accordance with their domestic law and consistent with applicable international obligations.

Article 36

Protection of personal data

1. (a) A State Party transferring personal data pursuant to this Convention shall do so in accordance with its domestic law and any obligations the transferring Party may have under applicable international law. States Parties shall not be required to transfer personal data in accordance with this Convention if the data cannot be provided in compliance with their applicable laws concerning the protection of personal data;
 - (b) Where the transfer of personal data would not be compliant with paragraph 1 (a) of this article, States Parties may seek to impose appropriate conditions, in accordance with such applicable laws, to achieve compliance in order to respond to a request for personal data;
 - (c) States Parties are encouraged to establish bilateral or multilateral arrangements to facilitate the transfer of personal data.
2. For personal data transferred in accordance with this Convention, States Parties shall ensure that the personal data received are subject to effective and appropriate safeguards in the respective legal frameworks of the States Parties.
3. In order to transfer personal data obtained in accordance with this Convention to a third country or an international organization, a State Party shall notify the original transferring State Party of its intention and request its authorization. The State Party shall transfer such personal data only with the authorization of the original transferring State Party, which may require that the authorization be provided in written form...

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Muscat Declaration – Global Aviation Security

[International community adopts landmark declaration on aviation security and cybersecurity](#)

ICAO - International Civil Aviation Organization
10 Jan 2025

A landmark declaration strengthening global aviation security and cybersecurity measures was adopted at ICAO Security Week 2024 in Muscat, Oman on 11 December 2024. Some 31 Ministers and high-level officials endorsed this crucial step forward in protecting international civil aviation.

... **the Muscat Declaration urges States to strengthen efforts against both traditional and emerging threats, including insider threats and cyber-attacks.** It calls for aviation security and cybersecurity to receive the same high priority and support as other aspects of civil aviation operations, while emphasizing the need for risk-based and outcome-focused policies to guide the development of sustainable security measures...

The Declaration places particular emphasis on information sharing for threat assessment and prevention, the development of qualified security professionals, and the implementation of ICAO's Aviation Cybersecurity Strategy. It also advocates for States to ratify the Beijing Convention and Protocol of 2010 as crucial instruments for deterring and responding to attacks against civil aviation...

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"Global Cooperation"

Global Cooperation at a Crossroads: Possibility amid Rising Geopolitical Uncertainty

World Economic Forum

News 07 Jan 2025

The Global Cooperation Barometer indicates that international cooperation has "flatlined", driven by heightened geopolitical tensions and instability, but positive momentum in climate finance, health and innovation offers hope.

In an era of heightened volatility, **leaders will need to embrace "disordered" cooperation** and dynamic, solutions-driven decision-making to deliver tangible results and build trust.

AI and other emerging technologies are reshaping the global landscape and driving upheaval. Concerted cooperation will be critical to harness benefits and minimize risks.

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The Global Cooperation Barometer 2025

Second Edition

INSIGHT REPORT - JANUARY 2025 :: 31 pages

WEF in collaboration with McKinsey & Co.

Amid increasing global disorder, leaders must find new ways to cooperate.

The Global Cooperation Barometer 2025 offers a comprehensive assessment of global collaboration broadly and across five pillars: trade and capital, innovation and technology, climate and natural capital, health and wellness, and peace and security. By analysing 41 indicators, the report identifies areas of progress and stagnation, highlighting the complexities of cooperation in a world marked by economic uncertainty, geopolitical divides and rapid technological advancements.

The barometer finds that after trending mostly positively for the better part of a decade, overall global cooperation is above pre-COVID-19 pandemic (hereafter referred to as "the pandemic") levels but has flatlined over the past three years.

A key reason for the stall has been the significant degradation in global peace and security, which has pulled the barometer's overall measurement down. Still, the barometer shows that while cooperation may be slowing in some areas, there are also signs of growth.

The barometer rests on five pillars of global cooperation



Trade and capital

Promote global development and resilience

Focus of analysis is on 1) development and resilient outcomes; through 2) presence of global economic flows that promote likely opportunities for these outcomes



Innovation and technology

Accelerate innovation and beneficial technological progress

Focus of analysis is on 1) global progress in innovation and technology; through 2) presence of the global sharing of underlying knowledge that contributes to these outcomes by fostering collaboration across global talent



Climate and natural capital

Support the resolution of climate and natural capital challenges

Focus of analysis is on 1) lowering of emissions, preservation of natural capital, and preparedness for likely impact of climate change; through, 2) shared global goals/commitments that increase humanity's ability to limit and adapt to the dynamics of a changing climate



Health and wellness

Enable global population to lead longer and better lives

Focus of analysis is on 1) impact of the burden of disease on duration and quality of life; through 2) commitment to global public health standards and collaboration through flows of goods, R&D/IP and health financing

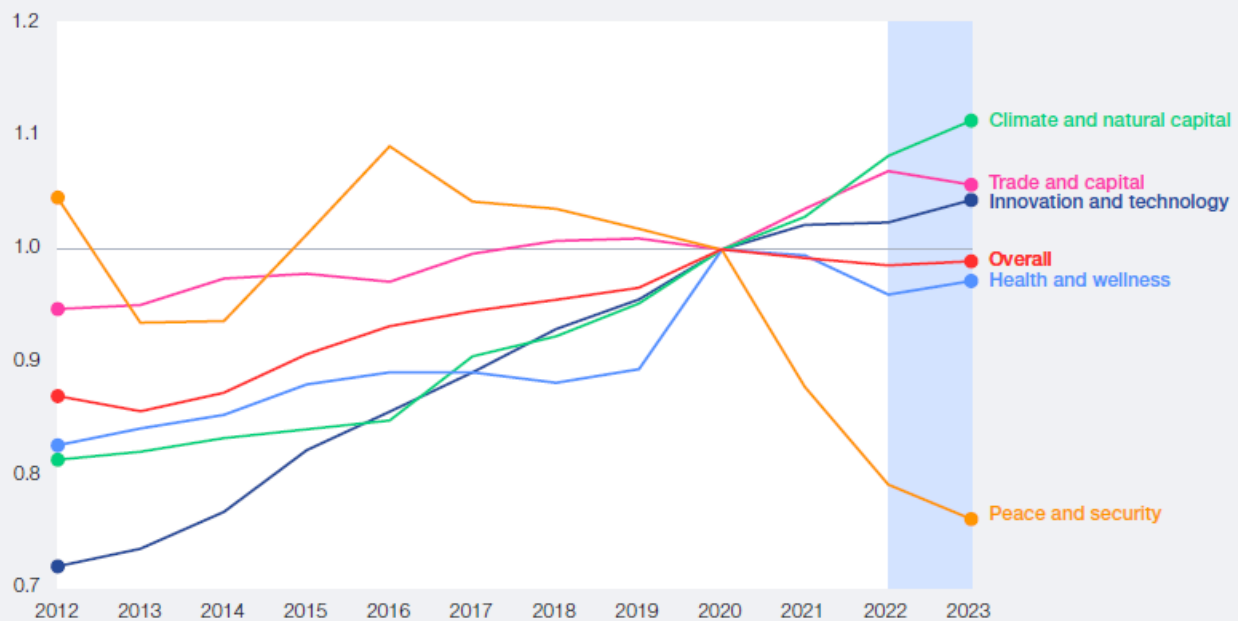


Peace and security

Prevent and resolve conflicts

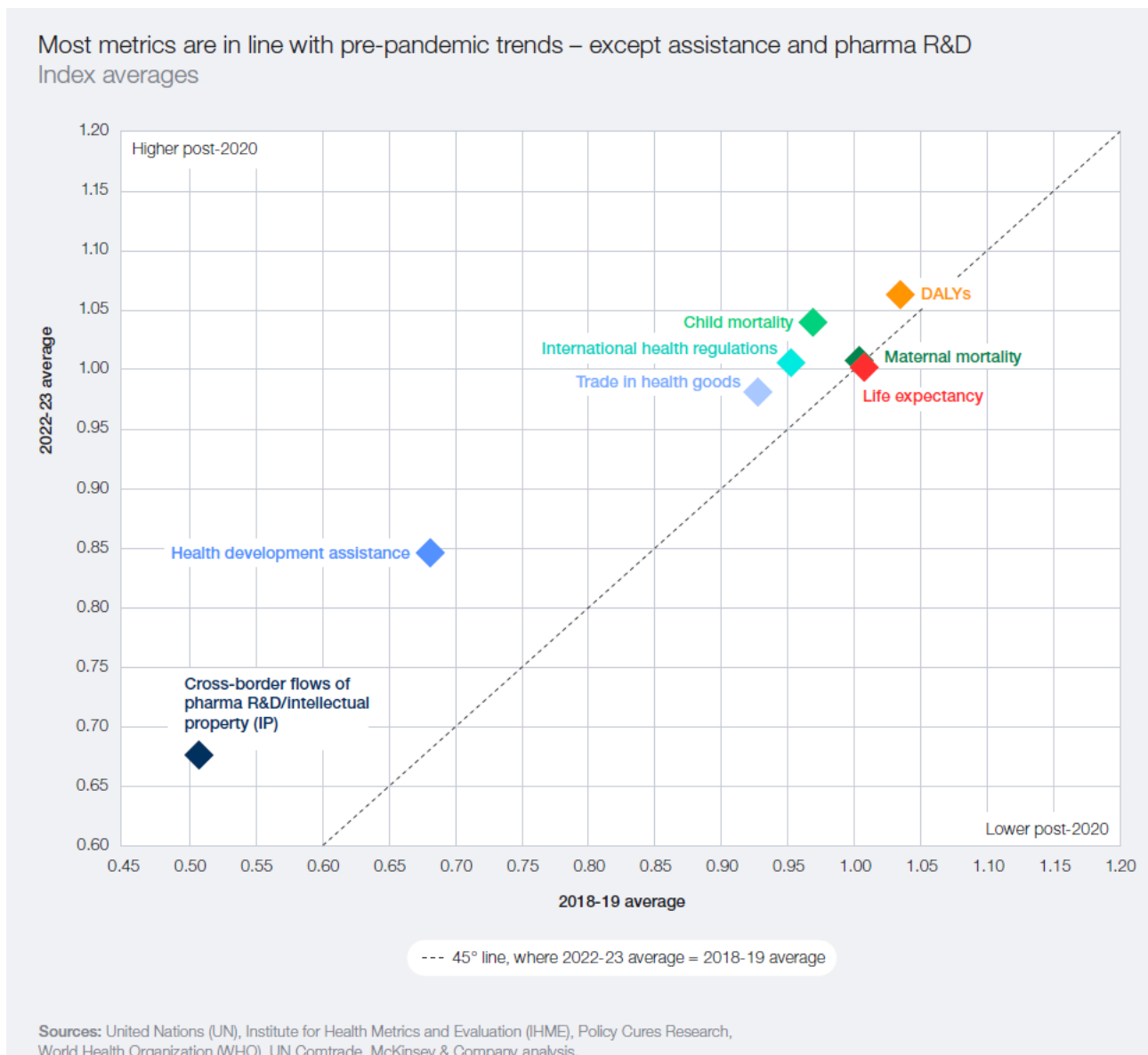
Focus of analysis is on 1) prevention of death and long-term negative implications of conflict; through, 2) commitment to multilateral peacekeeping operations and international stabilization efforts

Global Cooperation Barometer over time



Source: Aggregation of 41 metrics, McKinsey & Company analysis.

- **Trade and capital:** cooperation dropped slightly, driven mostly by reductions in goods trade in China and developing economies. These declines were partially offset by growing flows of capital, services and people.
- **Innovation and technology:** digitization of the global economy continues to drive increased cooperation, but global fragmentation of frontier technologies could slow global productivity growth.
- **Climate and natural capital:** cooperation continues to show strength, but it needs to improve much more and much faster if the world is to meet climate and natural capital goals.
- **Health and wellness:** health outcomes like life expectancy continue to improve postpandemic, but cross-border development assistance for health is falling.
- **Peace and security:** the world's collective security system is under severe pressure from geopolitical tensions. Cooperation on this pillar deteriorated and pulled down the overall barometer. Increased conflicts and the high number of forcibly displaced people are prominent challenges.



All metrics are below pre-pandemic trend
Index averages



Source: United Nations High Commission on Refugees (UNHCR), UPPSALA, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), United Nations Security Council (UNSC), McKinsey & Company analysis.

Ultimately, as last year's edition presented, the foundation of resilience, security and growth is cooperation. The question leaders must ask themselves, then, is not whether they should cooperate, but how....

Excerpt from "Recommendations: The need for disordered cooperation" [p.22]

... – **Find flexible ways to cooperate.**

Leaders should be open to new approaches to cooperation that may depart from the more orderly approach that was fit for a more stable global context. While existing partnership models and multilateral mechanisms may still offer the possibility of broad global agreements, leaders cannot rely solely on approaches that were designed for more collaborative climates. Instead, within today's unsettled political and geopolitical periods, leaders must be opportunistic and open to dynamic partnerships that may differ from issue to issue. Though this approach may feel disordered, ultimately, it will likely have the greatest chance of delivering effective solutions...

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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 11 Jan 2025]

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Meetings Coverage/Press Releases [Selected]

8 January 2025 SC/15962

[Security Council Delegates Trade Barbs over Democratic People's Republic of Korea's Hypersonic-Missile Launch, Military Ambitions](#)

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea has been actively working towards acquiring new military capabilities that undermine the global non-proliferation architecture, a senior United Nations official warned the Security Council today, as its members condemned that country's 6 January launch of a new-type intermediate-range hypersonic ballistic missile.

8 January 2025 SC/15961

[Caretaker Authorities Should Extend Hand of Reassurance, Trust to All Communities in Syria, Special Envoy Tells Security Council](#)

As Syria seeks to chart a new course after the fall of the former regime, there are great opportunities and real dangers in the current moment, the Security Council heard today, while that country's representative said its people are eagerly turning the page on oppression.

6 January 2025 SC/15960

[Noting Famine Conditions Present in Sudan, Senior Humanitarian Official, Briefing Security Council, Stresses Need for Immediate Cessation of Hostilities](#)

Hunger and starvation in Sudan are spreading because of decisions made each day to continue the conflict, irrespective of civilian cost, United Nations aid officials told the Security Council today, as they urged members to push for a ceasefire and the lifting of restrictions impeding humanitarian work.

UN Human Rights – OHCHR [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest News, Statements, Press Releases [Selected]

Ongoing studies

[Women's active, free and meaningful participation in development, with emphasis on decision-making](#)

See call for input for this study (deadline: 26 April 2024)

Press releases 10 January 2025

Venezuela must respect right to peaceful protest and democratic dissent as new presidential term begins: UN Experts

Press releases 10 January 2025

United States of America

UN experts urge US Senate to reject International Criminal Court sanctions bill passed by House of Representatives

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Australia

Australia responsible for arbitrary detention of asylum seekers in offshore facilities, UN Human Rights Committee finds

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UN Syria Commissioner underscores solidarity with the Syrian people in a first mission to Syria since the Commission's establishment

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Venezuela Fact-Finding Mission condemns recent arrests ahead of presidential inauguration

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Haiti: Over 5,600 killed in gang violence in 2024, UN figures show

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Iran: Rise in executions deeply troubling - UN Human Rights Chief

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Central African Republic: Independent Expert welcomes adoption of law on protection of human rights defenders

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Future of the UN and multilateralism must be grounded in human rights: UN experts

United Nations Human Rights Council [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Council News

No new digest content identified.

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest news

10 Jan 2025 *Media advisories*

UN Child Rights Committee to review Slovakia, Eritrea, Honduras, St. Kitts and Nevis, Peru, the Gambia and Ecuador

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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Special Rapporteur on the right to health [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 11 Jan 2025]

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Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants

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UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 11 Jan 2025]
<http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/media-centre.html>

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UN OCHA Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs [to 11 Jan 2025]

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[UN relief chief urges Security Council to ensure flow of support into Syria](#)

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Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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No new digest content identified.

IOM [International Organization for Migration] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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[IOM Appeals for USD 73 Million as It Expands Its Presence Inside Syria](#)

UNAIDS [to 18 Jan 2025]

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

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Feature story

[Promoting positive masculinity to end gender-based violence in Armenia](#)

09 January 2025

UNICEF [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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Press release 08 January 2025

[New year brings little new hope for children in Gaza, with at least 74 children reportedly killed in first week of 2025](#)

EAST JERUSALEM/AMMAN/NEW YORK, 8 January 2025 – At least 74 children have reportedly been killed in relentless violence in the Gaza Strip in just the first seven days of 2025. Children have reportedly been killed in several mass casualty events, including nighttime attacks in Gaza City, Khan Younis, and Al Mawasi...

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WHO & Regional Offices [to 18 Jan 2025]

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

Selected News/Announcements/Statements

WHO prequalifies diagnostic test to support safer administration of *P. vivax* malaria treatments

Decision reflects updated processes to improve efficiency, access

8 January 2025 *News release*

On 18 December 2024, the World Health Organization (WHO) prequalified the first diagnostic test for glucose-6-phosphate dehydrogenase (G6PD) deficiency which can help to safely deliver WHO-recommended treatments to prevent relapse of *Plasmodium vivax* (*P. vivax*) infection.

The prequalification of this G6PD diagnostic test marks a significant milestone in facilitating safe and effective *P. vivax* malaria treatment, reaffirming WHO's dedication to ensuring equitable access to life-saving health solutions globally. Some 500 000 people die each year from malaria, most of them children.

The prequalification of this test immediately followed the prequalification, in early December, of two new tafenoquine products for anti-relapse treatment of *P. vivax* malaria, and these therapeutics were recommended in updated WHO malaria guidelines released a few days earlier, in late November.

This package of actions by WHO reflects the organization's recent adoption of synchronized and parallel processes for two key functions: developing recommendations for essential health products and overseeing their prequalification...

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

:: 02 January 2025

Chad: protecting children from HIV/AIDS

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: 6 Jan 2025

PAHO launches interactive dashboard to monitor avian influenza A(H5N1) in the Americas

Washington, DC, January 6, 2025 (PAHO) - The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) has launched an interactive dashboard to monitor avian influenza A(H5N1) cases in the Americas. This tool is designed to improve access to data on outbreaks of this disease in birds, mammals, and humans, providing key information for public and animal health...

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

No new digest content identified.

WHO European Region EURO

Website not responding at inquiry.

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

No new digest content identified.

WHO Western Pacific Region

:: 9 January 2025

[Vanuatu responds to multiple health challenges following 7.3 magnitude earthquake](#)

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations. Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations.

[Multi-country outbreak of mpox, External situation report #45 - 11 January 2025](#)

Overview

This is the 45th situation report for the multi-country outbreak of mpox, which provides details on the latest epidemiological trends. The outbreak of clade Ib monkeypox virus (MPXV) continues predominantly in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Burundi and Uganda, with new travel-related cases identified in previously unaffected countries. Recent travel-associated mpox cases highlight the risk of undetected transmission in countries, emphasizing the need for strengthened surveillance and timely reporting to improve global monitoring and prevent international spread.

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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.

[7 January 2025 | Trends of acute respiratory infection, including human metapneumovirus, in the Northern Hemisphere](#)

Situation at a glance

In many countries of the Northern Hemisphere, trends in acute respiratory infections increase at this time of year. These increases are typically caused by seasonal epidemics of respiratory pathogens such as seasonal influenza, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), and other common respiratory viruses, including human metapneumovirus (hMPV), as well as mycoplasma pneumoniae. Many countries conduct routine surveillance for acute respiratory infections and common respiratory pathogens.

Currently, in some countries in the temperate Northern hemisphere, influenza-like illness (ILI) and/or acute respiratory infection (ARI) rates have increased in recent weeks and are above baseline levels, following usual seasonal trends. Seasonal influenza activity is elevated in many countries in the Northern hemisphere. Where surveillance data is available, trends in RSV detections currently vary by region with decreases reported in most regions except in North America.

Recently, there has been interest in hMPV cases in China including suggestions of hospitals being overwhelmed. hMPV is a common respiratory virus found to circulate in many countries in winter through to spring, although not all countries routinely test and publish data on trends in hMPV. While some cases can be hospitalized with bronchitis or pneumonia, most people infected with hMPV have mild upper respiratory symptoms similar to the common cold and recover after a few days. Based on data published by China, covering the period up to 29 December 2024, acute respiratory infections have increased during recent weeks and detections of seasonal influenza, rhinovirus, RSV, and hMPV, particularly in northern provinces of China have also increased. The observed increase in respiratory pathogen detections is within the range expected for this time of year during the Northern hemisphere winter.

In China, influenza is the most commonly detected respiratory pathogen currently affecting people with acute respiratory infections. WHO is in contact with Chinese health officials and has not received any reports of unusual outbreak patterns. Chinese authorities report that the health care system is not overwhelmed and there have been no emergency declarations or responses triggered. WHO continues to monitor respiratory illnesses at global, regional and country levels through collaborative surveillance systems, and provides updates as needed.

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

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

Vol. 100, Nos. 1/2, pp. 1–6 10 January 2025

PDF: <https://iris.who.int/bitstream/handle/10665/380068/WER10001-02-eng-fre.pdf>

:: Cascading skills for monitoring and evaluation of the International Health Regulations (2005) in fragile African countries by training trainers.

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New WHO Publications

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

Selected

9 January 2025

[Training on influenza data management, analysis and pandemic influenza severity assessment](#)

6 January 2025

[Diagnostic target product profiles for trachoma surveillance](#)

3 January 2025

[Developing a model for mass gathering medical care planning: workshop report, Lyon, France, 27-28](#)

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World Organisation for Animal Health [OIE] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases, Statements

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Selected Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Centre

No new digest content identified.

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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

News

No new digest content identified.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Resources [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases, Statements and messages [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UN DESA United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Articles - Selected

10 Jan 2025 | DESA

[UN ECOSOC: The way forward](#)

10 January 2025 - The 2025 session of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) will be critical in operationalizing the [Pact for the Future](#) and building on the [2023 SDG Summit](#).

09 Jan 2025 | DESA

[Global growth to remain subdued amid lingering uncertainty, warns UN report](#)

9 January 2025 - Global economic growth is projected to remain at 2.8 per cent in 2025, unchanged from 2024, according to the United Nations flagship report, *World Economic Situation and Prospects (WESP) 2025*, released today.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/all-news-recent>

News [Selected]

[ILO's new Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific takes office](#)

10 January 2025

UNESCO [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases [Selected] - Observatory of Killed Journalists

[International Day of Education 2025 global event in Paris - Artificial Intelligence and education: Preserving human agency in a world of automation](#)

9 January 2025

The 2025 International Day of Education – AI and Education: Preserving Human Agency in a World of Automation – will explore how education can help people understand and steer AI to better ensure

that they retain control over this new class of technology and are able to direct it towards desired objectives that respect human rights and advance progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals.

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Announcements [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 11 Jan 2025]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

Press Releases, Statements [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://www.fao.org/home/en/>

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

World Food Programme [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Selected News Releases [Selected]

6 January 2025

[Statement on shooting at a WFP convoy in Gaza](#)

ROME/JERUSALEM – The World Food Programme (WFP) strongly condemns the horrifying incident on January 5, when a clearly marked WFP convoy was shot at by Israeli forces near the Wadi Gaza checkpoint, putting the lives of our staff at tremendous risk and leaving the vehicles immobilized.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest News and Highlights [Selected]

[International community adopts landmark declaration on aviation security and cybersecurity](#)

10 Jan 2025

A landmark declaration strengthening global aviation security and cybersecurity measures was adopted at [ICAO Security Week](#) 2024 in Muscat, Oman on 11 December 2024. Some 31 Ministers and high-level officials endorsed this crucial step forward in protecting international civil aviation.

... the [Muscat Declaration](#) urges States to strengthen efforts against both traditional and emerging threats, including insider threats and cyber-attacks. It calls for aviation security and cybersecurity to receive the same high priority and support as other aspects of civil aviation operations, while

emphasizing the need for risk-based and outcome-focused policies to guide the development of sustainable security measures...

The Declaration places particular emphasis on information sharing for threat assessment and prevention, the development of qualified security professionals, and the implementation of ICAO's Aviation Cybersecurity Strategy. It also advocates for States to ratify the Beijing Convention and Protocol of 2010 as crucial instruments for deterring and responding to attacks against civil aviation...

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

What's New

No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://public.wmo.int>

News [Selected]

WMO confirms 2024 as warmest year on record at about 1.55°C above pre-industrial level

News 10 January 2025

The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) has confirmed that 2024 is the warmest year on record, based on six international datasets. The past ten years have all been in the Top Ten, in an extraordinary streak of record-breaking temperatures.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Announcements/Decisions/Events [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

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DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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USAID [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

Genocide Committed in Sudan By Rapid Support Forces and Allied Militias

January 7, 2025

Today, Secretary of State Antony Blinken made the determination that members of the Rapid Support Forces (RSF) and allied militias have committed genocide in Sudan.

On Famine Determination in North Darfur, Greater Kordofan, Sudan

January 2, 2025

Independent experts from the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification's Famine Review Committee have confirmed the worst: Famine is ongoing in five areas of North Darfur, and West and South Kordofan, Sudan – including Zamzam and two additional camps for internally displaced persons – and is projected in five additional areas between December 2024 and May 2025. Half of Sudan's population is now facing acute levels of food insecurity and at least 638,000 people are living under Famine conditions. This harrowing finding is made even more devastating by the fact that these conditions are man-made. The war between the Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF) and Rapid Support Forces (RSF) and bureaucratic access restrictions imposed by the parties to the conflict have greatly limited humanitarian access since the conflict began in April 2023, preventing lifesaving assistance from reaching people in dire need.

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [U.K.] [nee DFID] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press release

Support for Ukraine is unwavering as UK announces new sanctions on Russian oil giants

10 January 2025 — Press release

The UK strikes a fresh blow against Putin's ability to finance the war in Ukraine by sanctioning 2 major Russian oil companies.

UK to launch world first sanctions regime to snare people smugglers travelling upstream

8 January 2025 — Press release

The UK will develop a new sanctions regime to cripple people smuggling crime rings and starve them of illicit finance fuelling their operations.

UK announces new sanctions targeting Nicolás Maduro's regime in Venezuela

10 January 2025 — Press release

The UK has sanctioned 15 new individuals associated with Nicolás Maduro's contested regime today, while calling out his illegitimate claim to the presidency.

ECHO [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

No new digest content identified.

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African Union [to 11 Jan 2025]

<http://www.au.int>

Press releases [Selected]

[Extraordinary Summit in Kampala to adopt 10-Year CAADP Strategy and Action Plan](#)

January 09, 2025

Ministers of Agriculture from the AU's 55-member states, have today kicked off a three-day Extraordinary Summit of th

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Secretariat News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

European Commission

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

Latest [Selected]

Press release Jan 9, 2025

[Commission disburses first €3 billion to Ukraine of its part of the G7 loan, to be repaid with proceeds from immobilised Russian assets](#)

The European Commission has disbursed today the first €3 billion tranche of its exceptional Macro-Financial Assistance (MFA) loan for Ukraine, which will be repaid with proceeds from immobilised Russian State assets in the EU.

Press release Jan 9, 2025

[New EU rules on Health Technology Assessment open up a new era for patient access to innovation](#)

On Sunday, 12 January, the Regulation on Health Technology Assessment (HTA) will become applicable, bringing a significant improvement in ensuring that innovative and effective health technologies are available to patients across the EU.

OECD [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Newsroom [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

[OAS and the Global Council for Tolerance and Peace to Work to Promote Global Peace](#)

Jan 8, 2025

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://new.oic-oci.org/SitePages/latestnews.aspx>

News

Secretary-General and Prime Minister of Pakistan Reiterate OIC's Critical Role in Promoting and Protecting the Interests and Priorities of Muslim Countries

The Secretary-General of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), H.E. Mr Hissein Brahim Taha met the Prime Minister of Pakistan H. E. Mr. Muhammad Shehbaz

2025-01-11

OIC Condemns Israeli Occupation's Dissemination of Purported Maps of the Region and Incitement to West Bank Annexation

The Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) condemned the Israeli occupation authorities' dissemination of purported maps of the region covering Arab lands in Palestine, Jordan, Lebanon,

2025-01-09

Israel Diversifies its Methods to Deprive Gaza Palestinians of Aid and Treatment

Weekly Report of the OIC Media Observatory on Israeli Crimes against Palestinians - December 31, 2024-January 6, 2025 69,017 Israeli Extremists Stormed Al-Aqsa Mosque Compound Since

2025-01-08

OIC General Secretariat Recalls the Importance of the UN Security Council Resolutions on Jammu and Kashmir

On 5th January 1949, the United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan (UNCIP) adopted unanimously a resolution that guaranteed a free and fair plebiscite under the

2025-01-05

Group of 77 [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest Statements and Speeches [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

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UNCTAD [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://unctad.org/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 015 Oct 2022]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

WTO News and Events [Selected]

Leveraging WTO rules to tackle malnutrition

10 January 2025

Food trade is not a luxury — it is a must. Over 30 countries would face starvation if international food trade were to come to a halt. While the risk of food insecurity is severe for less developed countries that rely upon trade, dependence on trade for food security is also a concern for wealthier nations. Gulf Arab nations, facing severe water shortage, import 80-90 per cent of their food, Singapore imports 90 per cent, and Haiti imports 50 per cent. Globally, 25 per cent of food production is traded internationally.

Blog

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press releases

No new digest content identified.

International Court of Justice [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases/Case Documentation

[Press release No. 2025/1](#)

7 January 2025

Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the **Crime of Genocide in the Gaza Strip (South Africa v. Israel) - Ireland files a declaration of intervention** in the proceedings under Article 63 of the Statute

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 11 Jan 2025]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

News

No new digest content identified.

International Law Commission [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://legal.un.org/ilc/>

Recent Developments

Website not responding at inquiry.

International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://www.itlos.org/en/main/latest-news/>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

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World Bank [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

All News [Selected]

World Bank Board Approves Changes to the Structure of the World Bank's Accountability Mechanism

WASHINGTON, January 9, 2025—The World Bank's Board of Executive Directors on January 8 approved changes to the structure of the World Bank's Accountability Mechanism (AM). These changes are aimed at enhancing the independence as well as the overall effectiveness, efficiency, and functioning of the accountability process...

The approved changes follow a report by an external review team appointed by the Board last year to explore options to improve the World Bank's accountability process. The changes will be made effective in the coming weeks with the adoption of amendments to the governing resolutions by the Board...

Financing Climate Action for Transportation in Developing Countries

Transport is crucial for the economic and social development of nations. However, it's also a major contributor to greenhouse gas emissions. Developing countries are now facing the challenge of expanding...

Date: January 09, 2025 Type: Publication

IMF [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

January 5, 2025

How Artificial Intelligence Will Affect Asia's Economies

AI may widen inequality, but policymakers can counteract this with more effective social safety nets, reskilling programs, and regulations to promote ethical use of the technology

African Development Bank [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Asian Development Bank [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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ADB Sells \$5 Billion 3-Year Global Benchmark Bond

ADB has priced a \$5 billion 3-year global benchmark bond, proceeds of which will be part of ADB's ordinary capital resources.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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

Beijing, January 06, 2025

**AIIB Supports Clean, Renewable Energy Development in Tajikistan and Central Asia
USD270 million Phase 1 financing approved for Rogun Hydropower Project**

IDB – Inter-American Development Bank [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://www.iadb.org/en/home/press-room>

News

IDB launches \$4.25 Billion 5-year Global Sustainable Development Bond Benchmark

The Inter-American Development Bank ("IDB" or "IADB"), rated Aaa/AAA (Moody's/S&P), priced a new \$4.25 billion 5-year Global Sustainable Development Bond benchmark. The transaction pays a semi-annual coupon of 4.500% and matures on February 15, 2030.

January 09, 2025

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Development Bank [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

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

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

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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 11 Jan 2025]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Communiqués de presse

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://alima.ngo/>

Our Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Selected Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://aravind.org/>

Aravind News

No new digest content identified.

Blue Shield International [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

BS International News

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest

No new digest content identified.

Clubhouse International [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News/Events

World Seminar 2024 Re-Scheduled to May 9-14, 2025

We are excited to announce that the Clubhouse International World Seminar 2024, which was canceled due to Hurricane Helene, has been rescheduled. World Seminar 2025 will take place at the same venue, Tradewinds Resort at St. Pete Beach, Florida, USA. The new dates are Friday, May 9 - Wednesday, May 14, 2025.

Danish Refugee Council [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

ECPAT [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

ECPAT News

No new digest content identified.

EIFL – Electronic Information for Libraries [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

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

[EIFL renews EBSCO e-books agreement](#)

06 Jan 2025

EIFL has negotiated a renewal agreement with EBSCO Information Services, providing discounted access to the EBSCO eBooks Academic Subscription (...)

Licensing Programme - [Armenia](#), [Azerbaijan](#), [Congo](#), [Côte d'Ivoire](#), [Ethiopia](#), [Georgia](#) (...)

Fountain House [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements

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

:: [Informed Consent: A Monthly Review – January 2024](#)

:: [Public Consultations Watch :: Global Calls for Input/Public Comment – 11 Dec 2024 – Issue 26](#)

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Selected News Releases, Statements, Reports

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

What's New [Selected]

Article 10-01-2025

Frequently asked questions on the ICRC's work in Israel and the occupied territories

News release 06-01-2025

ICRC president: Respect for international humanitarian law and answers for families of the missing crucial for Syria's reconciliation and stability

Article 04-01-2025

Syria Operational Update: ICRC work in Syria (27 November - 18 December 2024)

News release 04-01-2025

Lebanon: ICRC president urges renewal of ceasefire and sustained humanitarian assistance to help civilians rebuild

IFRC [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

International Medical Corps (IMC)

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

Selected Press Releases/Updates/Alerts

No new digest content identified.

IRC [International Rescue Committee] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

IRCT [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://irct.org/>

News

No new digest content identified...no apparent website areas for news or announcements except for X/twitter account

Islamic Relief Worldwide [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

News

Israel's siege is freezing babies to death, Islamic Relief says

January 6, 2025

A ceasefire and increased humanitarian aid is the only way to stop more babies in Gaza dying during the cold winter, Islamic Relief says, as yet another young infant froze to death in their tent in the past 24 hours as a result of Israel's ongoing onslaught and siege. At least 8 Palestinian...

Mercy Corps [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Releases & Alerts

January 09, 2025

[Ukraine's Energy Crisis Threatens Farmers: New Report](#)

Small- and medium-sized farmers in Ukraine are struggling to mitigate the impact of power cuts, experiencing losses in...

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Conflict in Sudan

[MSF denounces violent attacks leading to suspension of activities at key Khartoum hospital](#)

Press Release 10 Jan 2025

Gaza-Israel war

[Newborns and other patients at risk as Nasser hospital in Gaza runs out of fuel, MSF warns](#)

Press Release 8 Jan 2025

Social violence and exclusion

[Access to healthcare is seriously compromised in H2 area of Hebron](#)

Press Release 8 Jan 2025

Democratic Republic of Congo

[DRC: Nearly 160 wounded treated by MSF in North and South Kivu following recent armed clashes](#)

Press Release 7 Jan 2025

Gaza-Israel war

[Strikes, raids and incursions: Over a year of relentless attacks on healthcare in Palestine](#)

Project Update 7 Jan 2025

The New Humanitarian [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://mailchi.mp/thenewhumanitarian.org/weekly-roundup-9-13-september-2024?e=52809bead7>

Aid and Policy Cheat Sheet

Feature 10 January 2025

[Children freeze to death in Gaza, LA wildfires, and "dispensable" aid workers](#)

A weekly read to keep you in the loop on humanitarian issues.

Norwegian Refugee Council

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

Latest News

Press release

Ecuador: ongoing violence displacing thousands

09. Jan 2025 | Ecuador

OXFAM [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases/Stories

No new digest content identified.

Pact [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest News & Highlights

Pact welcomes Christian Bowman as Chief Human Resources Officer

January 6, 2025

Partners In Health [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News & Stories

10 Years of Impact and Accompaniment in West Africa

In Liberia and Sierra Leone, PIH celebrates long-term partnership.

January 8, 2025

PATH [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Top stories

11 Jan 2025 *Madagascar*

MORE THAN 22,500 CHILDREN BRACE FOR A DEVASTATING STORM AS TROPICAL CYCLONE DIKELEDI TO MAKE LANDFALL IN NORTHERN MADAGASCAR

Northern Madagascar is bracing for a deadly Tropical Storm as Save the Children prepares to support families and children impacted

09 Jan 2025 *united states*

SAVE THE CHILDREN COMMITTED TO PROTECTING MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY WILDFIRE THREAT

As wildfires continue to burn across Los Angeles County, threatening children's homes, schools, communities and health, Save the Children is working to meet the most urgent needs of kids and families living in some of the areas hardest hit by the devastating wildfires by ensuring families receive critical supplies.

08 Jan 2025 *Indonesia, Bangladesh, Myanmar*

Children make up nearly half of Rohingya refugees taking perilous boat journeys in 2024 as numbers continue to rise

Children made up just under half - 44% - of predominantly Rohingya refugees leaving Bangladesh and Myanmar by boat in 2024 as the number of people taking to sea continues to rise.

08 Jan 2025 *Haiti*

Haiti: Generation of Children Raised Amid Chaos 15 Years After Devastating Earthquake

15 years after the 2010 earthquake, a generation of children is still bearing the scars—displaced, out of school, and in constant crisis.

Tostan [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://tostan.org/>

News & Stories

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Articles

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://www.worldvision.org/about-us/media-center>

Press Releases & Resources

World Vision responds to Los Angeles wildfires with urgently needed relief supplies

January 9, 2025 Marcus Hiebert

Highlights World Vision is coordinating with L.A.-area partners, including local churches, to deliver the relief supplies to affected families, and is preparing to provide additional support as needed. Homes destroyed by wildfires in Los Angeles. World Vision 2025. SEATTLE (January 9, 2025) — Christian...

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Electronic Frontiers Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Our Work

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Releases & Statements

Venezuela: International Community Must Reject Maduro's Power Grab and Support Edmundo González Urrutia

January 10, 2025

Nigeria: Freedom House Applauds Mubarak Bala's Release

January 8, 2025

Human Rights Watch [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Releases/Spotlight

December 30, 2024 | *Dispatches*

New UN Cybercrime Treaty Primed for Abuse

The United Nations General Assembly adopted the Convention against Cybercrime on December 24, despite widespread concerns that the treaty will facilitate human rights violations.

December 24, 2024 | *Dispatches*

Famine Spreads in Sudan as Warring Parties Willfully Obstruct Aid

December 23, 2024 | *Report*

Georgia: Brutal Police Violence Against Protesters

December 23, 2024 | *Commentary*

The Death Penalty Is Inhumane. States Should Follow Biden's Example of Mercy.

December 23, 2024 | *Commentary*

Inter-American Court Finds El Salvador Responsible for Obstetric Violence in Landmark Ruling

Transparency International [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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ChildFund Alliance [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 11 Jan 2025]

<http://concordeurope.org/>

Latest News and Events

No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Elder's Statements, News

President Carter exemplified the leadership we need

Ban Ki-moon
6 January 2025

Ban Ki-moon reflects on the legacy of Jimmy Carter, a founding Elder, and calls for reforms at the UN as its 80th anniversary approaches.

Gavi [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Latest Resources/Upcoming Events

No new digest content identified.

InterAction [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest Updates

No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

What's New/Events

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 11 Jan 2025]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

Our Impact/Events

No new digest content identified.

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Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action

(ALNAP) [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://humanitarianstudies.ch/>

News

Job opening – Scientific Collaborator II

8/01/25

We are pleased to share a job opening at the Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies. See the information below and also directly on the University of Geneva website [here](#).

Job description

The Faculty of Medicine of the University of Geneva benefits from an enriching multicultural dynamic to which it contributes through its influence within the framework of the mandates it has given itself: teaching, research and its partnership with the University Hospitals of Geneva (HUG).

As part of a research project on vaccination coverage in conflict-affected areas of Ethiopia and Somalia and epidemiological modelling on the risk factors for cholera and Mpox in Africa, the Geneva Centre for Humanitarian Studies and the HUG are looking for a...

Groupe URD [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Publications, Events, News

No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://ihsa.info/>

News

No new digest content identified.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://inee.org/>

News/Events/Resources

Updated INEE ECDiE Training Module is now out!

This updated module, available in all 5 INEE languages, seeks to introduce frontline workers and humanitarian program developers/implementers of all sectors to ECDiE as an essential component of humanitarian responses to crises and emergency situations, explaining the importance of serving the holistic needs of young children and their caregivers using an integrated approach.

[Download the module!](#)

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://phap.org/>

Association news, events

No new digest content identified.

Sphere [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News and Blog

No new digest content identified.

Unitaid [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://unitaid.org/>

Featured News

No new digest content identified.

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Brookings [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Reports, Events

Event

[How will artificial intelligence impact security relations between the United States and China? US and Chinese perspectives](#)

Friday, January 10, 2025 Online

Amid growing strategic competition between the United States and China, artificial intelligence (AI) has emerged as a key factor shaping global power dynamics. As bilateral relations become increasingly strained between these two major superpowers, ongoing dialogue around critical technological and national security issues is necessary to reduce miscommunication. Over the past five years, the Brookings Institution and Tsinghua University have convened an unofficial U.S.-China Track II dialogue on AI in national security. This collaboration has yielded significant contributions, including parallel glossaries of AI terms and agreements to emphasize the importance of maintaining human control over nuclear decisionmaking. What lessons can be drawn from sustained dialogue, and how can it inform how the United States and China will relate to each other in this vital area.

Center for Global Development [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

All Research

No new digest content identified.

Chatham House [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Selected Analysis, Comment, Events

Independent Thinking: What will be the flashpoints of 2025?

Gideon Rachman, Leslie Vinjamuri and Renad Mansour join the podcast to look at the year ahead and discuss whether we are likely to face a more disordered world.

Audio

10 January 2025 30 minute listen

Featured content

Expert comment

The biggest economic risk from Donald Trump's presidency is a loss of confidence in US governance

Trump's economic policies may prove surprisingly benign in the short term. But steps that undermine domestic US institutions and international alliances would do serious and lasting damage.

10 January 2025 4 minute READ

Expert comment

As the UK government seeks greater engagement with China, a clearer strategy is crucial – and long overdue

While engaging with China's leaders can be beneficial, it must be underpinned by a clear strategy to counter covert influence and manage the risks of economic and technological dependencies.

9 January 2025 4 minute READ

Explainer

Heatwaves, extreme heat and climate change

Explaining the link between heatwaves and climate change, the impacts of extreme heat, and what governments and cities are doing to adapt.

13 August 2024 6 minute READ

Expert comment

A rapid ceasefire in Ukraine could lead Donald Trump into a Russian trap

A ceasefire that leaves Ukraine unprotected would only provide a pause before a wider war.

Washington and Kyiv must agree viable security guarantees before any negotiations with Putin begin.

9 January 2025 4 minute READ

Expert comment

Russia's economic dilemmas give Trump important leverage in negotiations on Ukraine. But will he use it?

Putin's government considers inflation an existential threat. But Trump's preoccupation with China may prevent the US exploiting Russian weakness.

8 January 2025 4 minute READ

Council on Foreign Relations [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Releases

Foreign Policy

Middle East Conflict, Russia-Ukraine War, and U.S. Southern Border Are Top Global Concerns for 2025, CFR Report Finds

News Releases January 7, 2025

Immigration and Migration

New CFR Book Examines the Effects of COVID Border Closures

News Releases January 7, 2025

CSIS [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Reports [Selected]

Silicon Island: Assessing Taiwan's Importance to U.S. Economic Growth and Security

This brief from the CSIS Economics Program and Scholl Chair in International Business analyzes Taiwan's role in U.S. economic security and provides a policy roadmap to approach geopolitical and economic challenges facing the island.

Brief by William Alan Reinsch and Jack Whitney — January 10, 2025

McKinsey Global Institute [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest Research

Economic empowerment made-to-measure: How companies can benefit more people

January 8, 2025 -

Connections, contexts, and capabilities can guide corporate efforts to create empowerment impact efficiently.

ODI [Overseas Development Institute] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Publications [Selected]

Do public works programmes create valuable assets for livelihoods and resilience?

10 January 2025

Other

Public narratives and attitudes towards refugees and other migrants: Hungary country profile

07 January 2025

Research report

Pew Research Center [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest Publications [Selected]

Report Jan 9, 2025

Economic Inequality Seen as Major Challenge Around the World

Across 36 countries, a median of 54% say the gap between the rich and poor is a very big problem in their nation.

Rand [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Published Research [Selected]

Report Jan 8, 2025

Forced Labor in Global Supply Chains: Trade Enforcement Impacts and Opportunities

This report discusses methods of evaluating the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's impact on forced labor globally, presents findings on the department's efforts, and provides recommendations for strengthening enforcement.

Commentary Jan 6, 2025

[Dune and Decisionmaking: The Classic's Sci Fi Connection with RAND](#)

Denis Villeneuve's "Dune: Part II" parallels RAND's Robust Decision Making (RDM) approach to policy analysis. Just as spice unlocks Paul Atreides' potential, RDM helps navigate deep uncertainty by exploring multiple futures to inform robust policy strategies, ensuring effective decisionmaking.

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 11 Jan 2025]

<http://researchonresearch.org/>

RoRI News, Events

Website not enabled to allow content capture via links.

DECEMBER 12, 2024

Metascience 2025: Call for Proposals is open!

Metascience 2025 will be a global summit for 650 speakers and participants, hosted by RoRI in the heart of London's Knowledge Quarter

Conferences and Events

General

RoR news

RoRI Updates

<https://researchonresearch.org/metascience-2025-call-for-proposals-is-open/>

Alan Turing Institute

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

News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Urban Institute [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

[New Research Publications - Selected](#)

Research Report

[Practical AI Insights for Local Leaders: An Early Look into How Local Governments Are Adopting AI](#)

January 8, 2025

The Wistar Institute [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Media [Selected]

Global Cooperation at a Crossroads: Possibility amid Rising Geopolitical Uncertainty

News 07 Jan 2025

:: The Global Cooperation Barometer indicates that international cooperation has “flatlined”, driven by heightened geopolitical tensions and instability, but positive momentum in climate finance, health and innovation offers hope.

:: In an era of heightened volatility, leaders will need to embrace “disordered” cooperation and dynamic, solutions-driven decision-making to deliver tangible results and build trust.

:: AI and other emerging technologies are reshaping the global landscape and driving upheaval. Concerted cooperation will be critical to harness benefits and minimize risks.

:: Discover the Barometer and read the accompanying report [here](#).

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ISC / International Science Council [to 11 Jan 2025]

<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.

Latest Updates

blog

08 January 2025 - 6 min read

Who will shape the digital economy?: Stein Rokkan Prize winner discusses tech giants, power, and democracy

Global Research Council [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://globalresearchcouncil.org/about/>

The Global Research Council is a virtual organisation, comprised of the heads of science and engineering funding agencies from around the world, dedicated to promoting the sharing of data and best practices for high-quality collaboration among funding agencies worldwide.

News

GRC 13th Annual Meeting 2025

The 2025 GRC Annual Meeting Host will be hosted by Research, Development, and Innovation Authority (RDIA) in partnership with King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology (KACST) from Saudi Arabia. The meeting will be co-hosted by the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Türkiye (TÜBİTAK) from Turkey. The venue is the city of Riyadh in Saudi Arabia, and the meeting dates are from 18 through 22 of May, 2025.

National Academy of Engineering - USA [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest News & Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

National Endowment for the Humanities [U.S.] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Releases

Friday, January 3, 2025

[**NIH researchers discover novel class of anti-malaria antibodies**](#)

New antibodies could lead to next generation of interventions against malaria.

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CIOMS – COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://cioms.ch/>

News; Publications; Events

No new digest content identified.

Hastings Center [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases, Events

Hastings Center News

[**Expanding the Agenda for a More Just Genomics**](#)

Published January 2, 2025

INSERM [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selective]

No new digest content identified.

Nuffield Council on Bioethics [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and Human Rights

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

Events

Promoting Digital Inclusion for People with Disabilities: Challenges and Perspectives

by [unescobiochair](#) | Jan 10, 2025 | [IES](#)

As part of the Educational and Digital Poverty Program, the Department of Planning, Design, and Architectural Technology, La Sapienza University, on December 9, 2024, organized an event entitled "From Access to Empowerment Addressing Digital Education Poverty And...

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

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:: *Foundation/Major Donor Watch*

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

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

CryoSCAPE: Allen Institute scientists develop 'suspended animation' technique for blood draws that will aid research for underserved populations

01.06.2025

A new approach that keeps blood cells alive in deep freeze promises to expand reach of cutting-edge single-cell technologies to underserved..

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases & Statements

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 11 Jan 2025]

<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 11 Jan 2025]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News & Updates

In the News | Jan 10 2025

[The CGI Community is Mobilizing to Support Those Impacted by the Wildfires in Southern California](#)

Members of the Clinton Global Initiative community are mobilizing to support those affected by the wildfires in Southern ...

In the News | Jan 06 2025

[Secretary Hillary Rodham Clinton awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom](#)

On January 4, Secretary Hillary Rodham Clinton was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the Nation's highest civilian ...

Co Impact [to 11 Jan 2025]

www.co-impact.io

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

No new digest content identified.

Ford Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News & Press

No new digest content identified.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://www.getty.edu/news/all/>

Latest

Statement from Katherine E. Fleming, President and CEO of the J. Paul Getty Trust

Latest update Jan 11, 2025

... Aside from a few hot spots, the Villa remains stable...

GHIT Fund [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest Updates [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Room

HHMI Names the 2024 Hanna Gray Fellows

The cohort includes early career scientists working in research areas ranging from treatment-resistant cancers to how animals evolved to live on land. The HHMI Hanna H. Gray Fellows Program provides each fellow with up to \$1.5 million in support over the span of up to eight years.

January 08, 2025

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest News and Highlights

Op-Ed - In the Press Jan-07-2025

The Long History of Distrust for American Insurance Companies

| Katherine Hempstead |

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

Kellogg Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News & Media

01.08.25 *Every Child Thrives*

[Partnering to strengthen communities and opportunities](#)

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01.07.25 *Every Child Thrives*

[Data reveal the impact of firearm violence on children and families](#)

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Aga Khan Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Latest News & Related Content

No new digest content identified.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

Mellon news

[Under the Radar Festival Receives \\$1 Million from Mellon](#)

Location: New York, New York

Grantmaking area: Arts and Culture

Date: January 09, 2025

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Recent News

[Perspective: Fueling Innovation to Navigate the Wildfire Challenge Ahead](#)

January 8, 2025

Open Society Foundations [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

Newsroom

Press release January 4, 2024

[George Soros Is Awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom](#)

Open Society is proud to announce that George Soros received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest civilian honor in the United States.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News Room

No new digest content identified.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

News and Announcements

Speeches

[Remarks by Dr. Rajiv J. Shah at the Global Energy Alliance for People and Planet's Event: "Deliberations on India's Pathway to 500 GW Renewable Energy Access"](#)

Jan 07, 2025

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 11 Jan 2025]

<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 11 Jan 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://wellcome.org/news/all>

News. Opinion, Reports

No new digest content identified.

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Candid [formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar] [to 11 Jan 2025]

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

December 17, 2024

Candid welcomes Anahita Tafvizi, chief data analytics officer at Snowflake, and Dr. John Brothers, president of the T. Rowe Price Foundation, to its Board of Directors

Council on Foundations [to 11 Jan 2025]

<https://cof.org/news-blog>

News, Press Releases [Selected]

News

Philanthropy's Response to 2025 California Wildfires

Thursday, January 9, 2025 - 3:25 pm

Council on Foundations

Press Release

Council on Foundations Welcomes Samuel Bressi to Board of Directors

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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 15, 2023 Issue 4

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

[Reviewed earlier]

AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 27, Number 1: E1-65 Jan 2025

<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/epidemiology-and-clinical-practice>

Epidemiology and Clinical Practice

Epidemiological research guides health service delivery by informing and transforming clinical guidelines. Reciprocally, how clinicians document information from patients or their loved ones also determines the quality of data epidemiologists use in research. Additionally, some patients' health needs and some communities' health interests are not well captured in observational studies and clinical trials, especially when patient-subjects are lost to follow-up. Attrition of patient-subjects who are uninsured, underinsured, experience transportation or food insecurity, work multiple jobs, or live with complex chronic illnesses or disabilities, for example, creates data capture gaps, which can result in an evidence base that is incomplete and clinical guidelines that are inapt, inequitable, or simply do not apply to a full range of patients. This theme issue investigates these and other complexities of epidemiological data sourcing and the ethics of practice guideline formation.

American Journal of Human Genetics

Jan 02, 2025 Volume 112 Issue 1 p1-198

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

This month in The Journal

Alyson B. Barnes, Kylee L. Spencer, Sara B. Cullinan

Loss-of-function variants are typically considered in terms of gene-specific, pathway-dependent effects. An altered protein is produced, affecting the protein-specific pathway or a related phenotype. However, characterizing the gene-specific, pathway-dependent effects alone does not always explain the phenotypic variability observed between individuals with the same mutation or predict disease trajectory. In this issue, Shovlin and Aldred present a parallel paradigm for loss-of-function variants based on proteostasis, the process of maintaining a healthy balance of proteins within a cell.

American Journal of Infection Control

January 2025 Volume 53 Issue 1p1-174

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

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American Journal of Preventive Medicine

January 2025 Volume 68 Issue 1 p1-216

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

January 2025 115(1)

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

Displacements to Escape Natural Disasters In The United States

The January issue of *AJPH* focuses on the increasing prevalence of natural disaster-induced displacements within the United States. Featured articles explore disparities in the impact of these displacements and examine their prevalence and correlates. Other articles in this issue address naloxone distribution programs, urban reforestation efforts in Manhattan, the role of health monitoring data in relation to immigration and citizenship, and the use of long-acting reversible contraception.

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 111 (2024): Issue 6 (Dec 2024)

<https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/111/4/tpmd.111.issue-6.xml>

Articles

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Annals of Internal Medicine

December 2024 Volume 177, Issue 12

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

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Antiquity – A Review of World Archaeology

Issue 402 - December 2024

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Anti-Trafficking Review

No. 23 (2024)

<https://antitraffickingreview.org/index.php/atrjournal/issue/view/34>

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 - Following the Money II

Guest Editors: Kiril Sharapov, Suzanne Hoff, and Jonathan Mendel

This Special Issue of the *Anti-Trafficking Review* attempts to examine funding and spending on efforts to stop human trafficking, particularly, by the United States, United Kingdom, and the European Union. Featuring articles from academics, non-government organisations, and survivors of trafficking, this edition explores where the money comes from, who it goes to, and what it actually achieves. The eight articles in the issue suggest that the millions of dollars spent on combating human trafficking do not always reach trafficked persons or at risk groups and, in some cases, are actively harming them. Authors point to potentially more effective uses of anti-trafficking funding.

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 337 December 2024

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/337/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 11 Jan 2025)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 11 Jan 2025)

[Reclaiming Indigenous systems of healing: experiences of disabled Māori of Māori-centric health service responses in Aotearoa New Zealand during the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

The impact of the pandemic on Indigenous and disabled people's access to healthcare has resulted in significant disruptions and has exacerbated longstanding inequitable healthcare service delivery. Research wi...

Authors: Michael Roguski, Tara N. Officer, Gretchen Good and Karen McBride-Henry

Citation: BMC Health Services Research 2025 25:29

Content type: Research Published on: 6 January 2025

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

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BMC Medical Ethics

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

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BMC Medicine

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

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BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

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

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BMC Public Health

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

(Accessed 11 Jan 2025)

[Global, regional, and national incidence and mortality for enteric infections from 1990 to 2019](#)

Enteric infections are among the most common infectious diseases. The aim of this article was to track the global trends in morbidity and mortality from enteric infections in 204 countries or territories...

Authors: Bo Wang, Dongwei Chen, Hua Chen, Wei Wu, Kaiyi Cheng, Yixiu Tao, Ling Zhang, Ce Liu, Ding Ou, Mingxiu Zhang, Xianmei Tang, Shouli Wang, Guangzhu Wang and Bin Luo

Citation: *BMC Public Health* 2025 25:100

Content type: Research Published on: 8 January 2025

[Health assets among refugees in Australia: a systematic review](#)

A health assets-based approach seeks to identify health-promoting or protective factors across multiple levels. Evidence of the health assets of refugees at the individual, family, and community levels in Aust...

Authors: Angela Dawson, Evelyn Adjei-Mensah, Andrew Hayen, Sally Nathan, Anita Heywood, Abela Mahimbo, Heidi Merrington and Claire Rogers

Citation: *BMC Public Health* 2025 25:45

Content type: Research Published on: 6 January 2025

BMC Research Notes

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

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BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

December 2024 - Volume 29 - 6

<https://ebm.bmj.com/content/29/6>

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BMJ Global Health

December 2024 - Volume 9 - 12

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/9/12>

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Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

November 2024

<https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2024-11/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

2024 Dec 1; 102(12)

<https://www.who.int/publications/journals/bulletin/>

In this month's Bulletin

This month's theme issue on sexual health is introduced in an editorial by Manjulaa Narasimhan and Pascale Allotey (842). In related editorials, Sagri Singh et al. (843) advocate for improved sexual health and well-being and Nicaise Ndembi et al. (844) explain how mpox poses a new threat. Etienne V Langlois et al. (845) present a critical pathway for the reduction of maternal newborn and child mortality.

Gary Humphrey (848–849) reports on efforts to communicate effectively about mpox transmission while avoiding stigmatization. Haven Ley talks to Humphreys (850–851) about Pivotal Ventures, established to further social progress and address women's sexual health and reproductive rights.

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 51, Issue 1 January 2025

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal

Volume 158 December 2024

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/child-abuse-and-neglect/vol/158/suppl/C>

Research article Abstract only

The economic burden of child marriage in Nigeria

Xiangming Fang, Deborah Fry, Jingru Ren, Wuwenhao Jin, ... Christine Wekerle
Article 107135

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 117, Issue 1 Pages: 1-310 January 2025
<https://ascpt.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15326535/current>
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Clinical Therapeutics

January 2025 Volume 47 Issue 1 p1-114
<http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current>
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Clinical Trials

Volume 21 Issue 6, December 2024
<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/21/6>
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Conflict and Health

<http://www.conflictandhealth.com/>
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Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 148 January 2025
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/147/suppl/C>
[New issue; No digest content identified]

The CRISPR Journal

Volume 7, Issue 6 / December 2024
<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/7/6>
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Current Genetic Medicine Reports

Volume 11, Issue 3-4 December 2023
<https://link.springer.com/journal/40142/volumes-and-issues/11-3>
[Reviewed earlier]

Current Medical Research and Opinion

Volume 40, Issue 12 2024
<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/icmo20/current>
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Current Protocols in Human Genetics

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

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Developing World Bioethics

Volume 24, Issue 4 Pages: 263-342 December 2024

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 34, Issue 6, 2024

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/34/6>

[Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 43, Issue 1 January 2025

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 18 - 2024

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

Volume 49, Issue 1 January 2025

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/2025/49/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 26 Issue 1 10 January 2025

Opinion 20 November 2024

[Soul Men and Women—what must science do to regain public trust?](#)

[Arthur Caplan](#)

To meet the growing deluge of misinformation and distortion of scientific facts, science desperately needs a PR makeover.

Science & Society 12 December 2024

[The trap of a closed fist: Is democracy capable of preventing a global ecological catastrophe?](#)

[Vladimir Leksa](#)

Metaphors reforging science and art may help us to find a way to upgrade democracy so that it makes decisions with a positive impact for the next generations.

Science & Society 27 November 2024

The history of GM crops in Italy: After two decades of a de facto ban, the engagement of farmers and scientists has prompted the Italian government to allow field-testing of NGT/TEA plants again

Roberto Defez, et al.

The fate of GM crops in Italy—from endorsement to rejection back to wary acceptance—may hold lessons for other EU member states’ policies on biotechnology.

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 31, Number 1—January 2025

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

Perspective

Global Health’s Evolution and Search for Identity [PDF - 325 KB - 7 pages]

K. M. De Cock

Despite earlier attempts to define global health, the discipline’s boundaries are unclear, its priorities defined more by funding from high-income countries from the Global North than by global health trends. Governance and resource allocation are challenged by movements such as decolonizing global health. Inherent contradictions within global health derive from its historical evolution from tropical medicine and international health, as well as recent trends in infectious diseases. Demographic, socioeconomic, and epidemiologic transitions, including the rise in noncommunicable diseases, have eroded the concept of a binary world of developed and developing countries. Competitive tension has emerged between aspirations for global health security and health equity. Dominant principles should focus on vulnerable populations, transnational challenges such as migration and climate change, appropriate prevention and care, and epidemic preparedness and response capacity. As the 2030 target date for the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals approaches, reconceptualization of global health is required, or the discipline risks losing identity and relevance.

Epidemics

Volume 49 December 2024

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/49/suppl/C>

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Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 153 - 2025

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

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Ethics & Human Research

Volume 46, Issue 6 Pages: 1-35 November–December 2024

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

Data monitoring committee insights / Ethics reviews and AI tools

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs

Volume 38 - Issue 2 - Summer 2024

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

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Ethics, Medicine and Public Health

Volume 32 2024

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/ethics-medicine-and-public-health/vol/32/suppl/Cc>

[Reviewed earlier]

The European Journal of Public Health

Volume 34, Issue 5, October 2024

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/34/5>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Policy

Volume 128 October 2024

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/128/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Food Security

Volume 16, Issue 5 October 2024

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/16-5>

Articles

[Reviewed earlier]

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 74 November 2024

<https://www.fmreview.org/financing-displacement-response/>

Financing displacement response

From humanitarian aid by wealthy governments to remittances from diaspora communities, responses to forced displacement are shaped by funding from an array of actors, in ways that express those actors' interests and priorities. In recent years, new actors and new financing approaches have emerged. What do these shifts mean for forcibly displaced people and displacement response strategies? How does displacement response financing interact with the choices of forcibly displaced people and their communities, with local and global economies, and with broader geopolitical events and trends? This issue advances understanding of these questions and others

Foreign Affairs

January/February 2025

<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/issues/2025/104/1>

Special Section

Will Trump Change the World?

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 51, 2024 - Issue 3

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

Article

[Reviewed earlier]

Frontiers in Medicine

<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/medicine/volumes?volume-id=1237>

[Accessed 11 Jan 2025]

Original Research Published on 10 Jan 2025

[Comparison of good review practices of seven countries participating in the ECOWAS medicines regulatory harmonisation initiative: identifying opportunities for improvement](#)

Mercy Owusu-Asante, et al

Frontiers in Medicine doi 10.3389/fmed.2024.1520892

Systematic Review Published on 08 Jan 2025

[Artificial intelligence in healthcare: transforming patient safety with intelligent systems—A systematic review](#)

Francesco De Micco, et al.

Frontiers in Medicine doi 10.3389/fmed.2024.1522554

Perspective Published on 07 Jan 2025

[Gaps in the ethical governance of pharmaceutical clinical trials in Europe](#)

Rosemarie D. L. C. Bernabe. Shereen A. Dawkins-Cox, Christine C. Gispen-de Wied

Frontiers in Medicine doi 10.3389/fmed.2024.1507021

Genetics in Medicines

Volume 27, Issue 1 January 2025

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/genetics-in-medicine/vol/27/issue/1>

Research article Open access

[The Clinical Genome Resource \(ClinGen\): Advancing genomic knowledge through global curation](#)

Erica F. Andersen, Danielle R. Azzariti, Larry Babb, Jonathan S. Berg, ... Joannella Morales

Article 101228

Genome Medicine

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

[Accessed 11 Jan 2025]

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Geoheritage

Volume 16, Issue 3 September 2024

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/volumes-and-issues/16-3>

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Global Health Action

Volume 17, Issue 1 (2024)

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

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Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

Vol. 12, No. 6 December 20, 2024

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Global Legal Monitor & Legal Reports – Library of Congress/USA

<https://www.loc.gov/collections/global-legal-monitor/>

https://www.loc.gov/books/?q=legal+reports&fa=partof%3Alegal+reports+%28publications+of+the+law+library+of+congress%29&sb=date_desc

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Global Public Health

Volume 19, Issue 1 (2024)

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Globalization and Health

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

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Health and Human Rights

Volume 26, Issue 2, December 2024

<https://www.hhrjournal.org/volume-26-issue-2-december-2024/>

Special Section: Distress Migration and the Right to Health

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 19 - Issue 3 - July 2024

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/health-economics-policy-and-law/latest-issue>

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Health Policy and Planning

Volume 39, Issue 10, December 2024

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/39/10>

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Health Research Policy and Systems

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

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Human Gene Therapy

Volume 35, Issue 23-24 / December 2024

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/hum/35/23-24>

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Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 46, Number 4, November 2024

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/53630>

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Humanitarian Practice Network

<https://odihpn.org/>

Featured Publications

[**Space for engagement: rethinking the humanitarian role**](#)

January 9, 2025

Alasdair Gordon-Gibson

Implementation Research and Practice

<https://journals.sagepub.com/articles/IRP>

[Accessed 11 Jan 2025]

[No new digest content identified]

Infectious Agents and Cancer

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

[Accessed 11 Jan 2025]

[No new digest content identified]

Infectious Diseases of Poverty

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

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[No new digest content identified]

International Health

Volume 17, Issue 1, January 2025

<https://academic.oup.com/inthealth/issue/17/1>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 13 (2024): Issue 2 (Dec 2024)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/hrlr/13/2/hrlr.13.issue-2.xml>

Articles

Restricted Access

Judicial Imposition of the Death Penalty and Corporal Punishment in Iran and Saudi Arabia for Unlawful Consensual Sexual Relations under *Shari'a*: A Human Rights Critique

Author: Manisuli Ssenyonjo

Pages: 265–312

Online Publication Date: 05 Dec 2024

Restricted Access

Environmentally Induced Human Displacement and Human Rights: Bridging Legal Gaps Through a Human Rights-Based Approach

Authors: Dimitris Chotouras, et al.

Pages: 412–441

Online Publication Date: 04 Nov 2024

The International Journal of Children's Rights

Volume 32 (2024): Issue 3 (Oct 2024)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/chil/32/1/chil.32.issue-3.xml>

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International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol. 12 No. 1 (2025): January 2025

<https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/120>

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International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 110 August 2024

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/110/suppl/C>

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International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 53, Issue 6, December 2024

<https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/53/6>

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International Journal of Heritage Studies

Volume 30, 2024 Issue 11

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

Activism and Institutional Care: History, heritage and Social Memory

Article

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 17 Issue 4 2024

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2056-4902/vol/17/iss/4>

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International Migration Review

Volume 58 Issue 4, December 2024

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/mrxa/current>

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International Review of Education – Journal of Lifelong Learning

Volume 70, Issue 5 October 2024

<https://link.springer.com/journal/11159/volumes-and-issues/70-5>

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International Review of the Red Cross

IRRC No. 926 August 2024

<https://international-review.icrc.org/reviews/irrc-no-926-selected-articles>

Selected Articles

[18 articles]

Ordinarily, the articles in any given issue of the Review share a unifying theme or speak to elements of a single, overarching debate. But often, exceptional scholars and practitioners submit exemplary work that does not fit neatly into the theme of the Review's upcoming editions. This special edition of the Review – "Selected Articles" – is a collection of those articles: remarkable work, submitted through our general submissions inbox. Though the topics of the articles vary widely and are not unified by a common theme, they all fall within the Review's editorial focus on humanitarian law, policy and action. We firmly believe that each of the articles published in this edition has enormous potential to contribute to the existing literature and ongoing debates on their respective topics.

Article

[The challenges of research in the humanitarian sector: An evolving relationship](#)

Julien Antouly, Vincent Leger, Camille Raillon, Virginie Troit

Abstract

The context of humanitarian action has changed considerably over the past twenty years. These upheavals have given rise to a need to reflect on humanitarian action, as evidenced by the new focus on scientific research by humanitarian actors since the turn of the century. This new approach has led to the creation of numerous organizations dedicated to research within the sector itself, so that scientific knowledge on humanitarian action is no longer produced solely by university researchers. One such organization is the French Red Cross Foundation, founded in 2013. This organization bears witness to the diversity and depth of the issues affecting the humanitarian sector, and the challenges of responding to them. Its history and its past and present difficulties and successes also illustrate the complexity of implementing such a response.

This article aims to analyze and capitalize on several examples of scientific programmes built in direct relation to the humanitarian sector, in order to draw lessons from them (success factors, difficulties encountered, testimonials of applications of research results). In the article, we provide retrospective

information on collaboration between the humanitarian and social action sectors and the academic sector, and look to the future by anticipating the shortcomings and needs that organizations – like researchers – will have to address in order to nurture the solidarity practices of tomorrow.

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

April 2024 - Volume 22 - Issue 1

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

Articles

[Reviewed earlier]

Issues in Science and Technology

Vol. XLI, No. 2, Winter 2025

<https://issues.org/issue/41-2/>

The New Currency of Power

Science and technology have often come to policymakers' rescue when the United States was worried about threats to national security or competitiveness—think of the US response to Sputnik, or more recently, the CHIPS and Science Act after the COVID-19 pandemic. But industry, not government, is now the biggest funder of scientific research and technological development. How can the country coordinate this vast and unwieldy conglomerate in order to maintain its global preeminence?

Fortunately, the scientific enterprise has been continually reinventing itself for decades, and essays in the Winter 2025 issue document this process and consider what insights we might glean for the future.

JAMA

January 7, 2025, Vol 333, No. 1, Pages 5-96

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/currentissue>

Ethics and Medical Research

This JAMA Special Communication presents a series of articles and commentaries focused on the 2024 revision of the World Medical Association's Declaration of Helsinki, a set of principles to guide the ethical treatment of participants in medical research.

[Vaccines and Global Health covered this content earlier when it was initially released in JAMA's online-first section]

JAMA Health Forum

January 2025, Vol 6, No. 1

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama-health-forum/issue>

[Reviewed earlier]

JAMA Pediatrics

December 2024, Vol 178, No. 12, Pages 1237-1379

<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/currentissue>

[Reviewed earlier]

JBIM Evidence Synthesis

December 2024 - Volume 22 - Issue 12

<https://journals.lww.com/jbisrir/Pages/currenttoc.aspx>
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Journal of Adolescent Health

January 2025 Volume 76 Issue 1 p1-172
<https://www.jahonline.org/current>
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Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research

Vol. 81 (2024)
<https://www.jair.org/index.php/jair>
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Journal of Community Health

Volume 49, Issue 6 December 2024
<https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/volumes-and-issues/49-6>
[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Current Medical Research and Opinion

...a peer-reviewed, international journal for the rapid publication of original research on new and existing drugs and therapies, and post-marketing investigations. Equivalence, safety and efficacy/effectiveness studies are especially encouraged.
Vol. 7 No. 11 (2024)
<https://www.cmro.in/index.php/jcmro/issue/view/89>
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Journal of Cultural Heritage

Volume 69 Pages 1-158 (September–October 2024)
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-cultural-heritage/vol/69/suppl/C>
[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Cultural Heritage Management and Sustainable Development

Volume 14 Issue 2
<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2044-1266/vol/14/iss/2>
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Journal of Development Economics

Volume 172 January 2025
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/172/suppl/C>
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Journal of Development Effectiveness

Volume 172 January 2025

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/172/suppl/C>

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Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

Volume 19 Issue 4-5, October–December 2024

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

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Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

December 2024 - Volume 78 - 12

<https://jech.bmj.com/content/78/12>

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Journal of Evidence-Based Medicine

Volume 17, Issue 4 Pages: 689-873 December 2024

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

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Journal of Global Ethics

Volume 20, Issue 3 (2024)

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

Special Issue: 20th Anniversary Forum

[Reviewed earlier]

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

Volume 35, Number 4, November 2024

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/53739>

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Journal of Human Trafficking

Volume 10, Issue 4, 2024

<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uhmt20/current>

Research Articles

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Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health

Volume 26, Issue 5 October 2024

<https://link.springer.com/journal/10903/volumes-and-issues/26-5>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies

Volume 22, 2024 _ Issue 4

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/wimm20/current>

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Journal of International Development

Volume 36, Issue 8 Pages: 1-3156 November 2024

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/10991328/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Medical Ethics

January 2025 - Volume 51 - 1

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Operations Management

Volume 70, Issue 8 Pages: 1179-1309 December 2024

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

Special Issue: Uncertainty in Operations and Supply Chain Management

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Patient-Centered Research and Reviews

Volume 11, Issue 3 (2024)

<https://institutionalrepository.aah.org/jpcrr/>

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The Journal of Pediatrics

Volume 275 December 2024

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/the-journal-of-pediatrics/vol/275/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Pharmaceutical Policy and Practice

Volume 17, Issue 1 (2024)

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/jppp20/17/1>

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Journal of Public Health Management & Practice

January/February 2025 - Volume 31 - Issue 1

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

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Review

Tackling algorithmic bias and promoting transparency in health datasets: the STANDING Together consensus recommendations

Joseph E Alderman, et al.

Summary

Without careful dissection of the ways in which biases can be encoded into artificial intelligence (AI) health technologies, there is a risk of perpetuating existing health inequalities at scale. One major source of bias is the data that underpins such technologies. The STANDING Together recommendations aim to encourage transparency regarding limitations of health datasets and proactive evaluation of their effect across population groups. Draft recommendation items were informed by a systematic review and stakeholder survey. The recommendations were developed using a Delphi approach, supplemented by a public consultation and international interview study. Overall, more than 350 representatives from 58 countries provided input into this initiative. 194 Delphi participants from 25 countries voted and provided comments on 32 candidate items across three electronic survey rounds and one in-person consensus meeting. The 29 STANDING Together consensus recommendations are presented here in two parts. Recommendations for Documentation of Health Datasets provide guidance for dataset curators to enable transparency around data composition and limitations.

Recommendations for Use of Health Datasets aim to enable identification and mitigation of algorithmic biases that might exacerbate health inequalities. These recommendations are intended to prompt proactive inquiry rather than acting as a checklist. We hope to raise awareness that no dataset is free of limitations, so transparent communication of data limitations should be perceived as valuable, and absence of this information as a limitation. We hope that adoption of the STANDING Together recommendations by stakeholders across the AI health technology lifecycle will enable everyone in society to benefit from technologies which are safe and effective.

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Monitoring essential medicines access—unfinished business

Andrew Lofts Gray, Fatima Suleman

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Lachlan Oldfield, et al.

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Reflecting on lessons from the 2014–16 Ebola virus outbreak

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Estimates of the burden of human rabies deaths and animal bites in India, 2022–23: a community-based cross-sectional survey and probability decision-tree modelling study

Jeromie Wesley Vivian Thangaraj, et al. for the Human Rabies Study Collaborators

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Eddy Jonas, et al.

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Editorial 08 Jan 2025

We need to talk about human genome editing

In a few decades, gene-editing technologies could reduce the likelihood of common human diseases. Societies must use this time to prepare for their arrival.

NEWS AND VIEWS 08 January 2025

Human embryo editing against disease is unsafe and unproven — despite rosy predictions

Mathematical modelling suggests that it is theoretically possible to reduce risk of common diseases using heritable genome editing. Scientists argue that the technology involves considerable risk and uncertain benefits.

By Shai Carmi, Henry T. Greely & Kevin J. Mitchell

The possibility of editing the genomes of human embryos has been widely discussed, particularly since the discovery of the CRISPR–Cas9 gene-editing tool. The revelation in late 2018 that a Chinese scientist, He Jiankui, had edited embryos that became living babies created a huge wave of controversy¹. Writing in *Nature*, Visscher *et al.*² describe a mathematical model that argues that just a handful of edits could reduce the risk of various disorders dramatically — in a theoretical scenario in which heritable, large-scale genome editing is feasible and safe. Although the authors' claims are logical and thought-provoking, their model relies on several speculative assumptions and glosses over unknown, but predictable, serious risks. Given the broad interest in this topic, the work will probably be discussed widely and might ultimately affect policy. It raises both scientific and ethical issues, which we discuss here.

Analysis Open access Published: 08 January 2025

Heritable polygenic editing: the next frontier in genomic medicine?

Peter M. Visscher, Christopher Gyngell, Loic Yengo & Julian Savulescu

Abstract

Polygenic genome editing in human embryos and germ cells is predicted to become feasible in the next three decades. Several recent books and academic papers have outlined the ethical concerns raised by germline genome editing and the opportunities that it may present^{1,2,3}. To date, no attempts have been made to predict the consequences of altering specific variants associated with polygenic diseases. In this Analysis, we show that polygenic genome editing could theoretically yield extreme reductions in disease susceptibility. For example, editing a relatively small number of genomic variants could make a substantial difference to an individual's risk of developing coronary artery disease, Alzheimer's disease, major depressive disorder, diabetes and schizophrenia. Similarly, large changes in risk factors, such as low-density lipoprotein cholesterol and blood pressure, could, in theory, be achieved by polygenic editing. Although heritable polygenic editing (HPE) is still speculative, we completed calculations to discuss the underlying ethical issues. Our modelling demonstrates how the putatively positive consequences of gene editing at an individual level may deepen health inequalities. Further, as single or multiple gene variants can increase the risk of some diseases while decreasing that of others, HPE raises ethical challenges related to pleiotropy and genetic diversity. We conclude by arguing for a collectivist perspective on the ethical issues raised by HPE, which accounts for its effects on individuals, their families, communities and society⁴.

Perspective 24 Sept 2024

The global H5N1 influenza panzootic in mammals

This Perspective reviews the molecular and ecological factors that have driven the expansion in geographical distribution and host species range of H5N1 avian influenza viruses, leading to the current panzootic.

Thomas P. Peacock, Louise Moncla, Martha I. Nelson

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Fabrizio Gilardi, Atoosa Kasirzadeh, Anita Gohdes

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[A chatbot informed by behavioural science increases vaccination rates more than a simple reminder](#)

A behaviourally informed WhatsApp chatbot that encouraged people in Argentina to get the next dose of the COVID-19 vaccine more than tripled vaccination rates, and nearly doubled them compared to a one-way message reminder. The chatbot has several features built in that helped people to find out where, when and how to get the vaccine.

Article 11 Oct 2024

[Quantifying the use and potential benefits of artificial intelligence in scientific research](#)

Gao and Wang develop a measurement framework that demonstrates the widespread use and benefits of AI in science. Nonetheless, there is a substantial gap between AI education and application across disciplines.

Jian Gao, Dashun Wang

Article 10 Oct 2024

[A behaviourally informed chatbot increases vaccination rates in Argentina more than a one-way reminder](#)

A chatbot informed by insights from behavioural science more than tripled COVID-19 vaccination uptake in Chaco province, Argentina, and nearly doubled it compared with a one-way message reminder.

Dan Brown, Adelaida Barrera, Fernando Torrente

Comment 19 Sept 2024

[Mind the gap between education policy and practice](#)

An analysis in 50 countries shows large gaps between education policy and practice, which contributes to illiteracy among millions of students. Although much attention has been dedicated to policymaking, minimal attention is paid to policy implementation. To improve learning, we should pay as much attention to the latter as the former.

Noam Angrist, Stefan Dercon

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[The AMR Accelerator: from individual organizations to efficient antibiotic development partnerships](#)

The AMR Accelerator is an Innovative Medicines Initiative programme integrating nine projects with the shared goal of progressing the development of new antibiotics and building antimicrobial resistance research capability. Five years in, we reflect on the programme's value, results and key challenge: ensuring the sustainability of assets, infrastructures and expertise.

Josephine Fernow, Marie Olliver, Anders Karlén

Review Article 04 Nov 2024

[The state-of-the-art of *N*-of-1 therapies and the IRDiRC *N*-of-1 development roadmap](#)

A very small number of people with rare diseases caused by unique genetic variants have been treated with therapies developed specifically for them, known as *N*-of-1 therapies. This Review discusses advances and challenges for *N*-of-1 therapies based on cases in which they have been successfully developed, highlights why the traditional drug development and reimbursement pathway is not fit for purpose in this field, and provides a roadmap for the development of these individualized therapies.

Anneliene H. Jonker, Elena-Alexandra Tataru, Annemieke Aartsma-Rus

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Rosalie Power, Unise Vakaloloma, Israt Jahan, Sureni Perera, Ilisapeci Tuibeqa, Rachel Devi, Litiana Volavola, William May, Donald Wilson, Laniet Tuimabu, Gulam Khandaker, Meru Sheel, on behalf of Australian Immunisation and Disability Investigators

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Peter Hotez

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Tyler Y. Headley, Sooyoung Kim, Yesim Tozan

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The unsustainable use of wildlife is a primary driver of global biodiversity loss. No comprehensive global dataset exists on what species are in trade, their geographic origins, and trade's ultimate impacts, which limits our ability to sustainably manage ...

Benjamin Michael Marshall, et al.

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[Optimism for a global plastics treaty](#)

BY Stephen Fletcher, Tegan Evans

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Healthcare professionals' understanding of children's rights: a systematic review of the empirical evidence-base

The concept of children's rights emerged during the 1980s and emphasised the role of children as active participants in matters which concern them.

Authors: Sahar Mazied Alshammari, Mark A. Linden, Helen Kerr and Helen Noble

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World Heritage Review

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World Heritage

UNESCO's World Heritage is much more than a List of remarkable sites. It represents the common heritage of humanity – a collection of cultural and natural treasures that transcend borders and generations. These sites tell the story of our world, illustrating our diversity, creativity and resilience through the ages.

India, a land of millennia of history, is a living witness to the cultural richness of humanity. Home to 42 sites on the UNESCO World Heritage List, including 34 cultural, 7 natural and one mixed, each site tells a unique story of its evolution, influenced by various dynasties, religions and artistic movements. An emblematic example of this universality is Santiniketan, inscribed on this prestigious List in 2023. Founded by Rabindranath Tagore, this site is a center of learning and culture that embodies the ideals of holistic education and harmony between man and nature. Santiniketan is not only a place of education, but a symbol of commitment to educational innovation and artistic development.

This year, the country is hosting the 46th session of the World Heritage Committee and two Forums dedicated to young World Heritage professionals and site managers. The 2024 session of the Committee highlights the importance of continuing global efforts to strengthen actions to preserve cultural and natural heritage, with particular emphasis on the integration of local communities and Indigenous peoples. It is also an opportunity to remind ourselves of the role of World Heritage in providing sustainable responses to the global challenges it faces, such as climate change and armed conflict. World Heritage offers us extraordinary mechanisms and policies for preserving our heritage from the past and passing it on to future generations...

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[The Convergence of Blockchain Technology and Islamic Economics: Decentralized Solutions for Shariah-Compliant Finance](#)

Naseem Alsadi, McMaster University

This paper provides a brief overview of the ongoing financial revolution, which extends beyond the emergence of cryptocurrencies as a digital medium of exchange. At its core, this revolution is driven by a paradigm shift rooted in the technological advancements of blockchain and the foundational principles of Islamic economics. Together, these elements offer a transformative framework that challenges traditional financial systems, emphasizing transparency, equity, and decentralized governance. The paper highlights the implications of this shift and its potential to reshape the global economic landscape.

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[Emergence of human-like polarization among large language model agents](#)

[Jinghua Piao](#), [Zhihong Lu](#), [Chen Gao](#), [Fengli Xu](#), [Fernando P. Santos](#), [Yong Li](#), [James Evans](#)

Rapid advances in large language models (LLMs) have empowered autonomous agents to establish social relationships, communicate, and form shared and diverging opinions on political issues. Our understanding of their collective behaviours and underlying mechanisms remains incomplete, however, posing unexpected risks to human society. In this paper, we simulate a networked system involving thousands of large language model agents, discovering their social interactions, guided through LLM conversation, result in human-like polarization. We discover that these agents spontaneously develop their own social network with human-like properties, including homophilic clustering, but also shape their collective opinions through mechanisms observed in the real world, including the echo chamber effect. Similarities between humans and LLM agents -- encompassing behaviours, mechanisms, and emergent phenomena -- raise concerns about their capacity to amplify societal polarization, but also hold the potential to serve as a valuable testbed for identifying plausible strategies to mitigate polarization and its consequences.

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Abstract

Virtual reality (VR) programs can support multiple aspects of well-being and have been developed by marginalized groups for these purposes, but there is still a systemic power imbalance. Marginalized groups have a place in digital well-being and can lead efforts directed towards resources that they desire. To better support these efforts and mobilize knowledge amongst marginalized stakeholders, we performed a scoping review of VR's use for wellbeing. Taking an equity lens that considers the experiences of intersectional marginalization, we aimed to identify VR programs, their targets, outcomes, and equity-related facilitators and barriers. In May 2023, we conducted a comprehensive literature search of MEDLINE, PsychInfo, Embase, and Web of Science databases and grey literature for virtual reality and marginalized populations. Eligible research articles since the inception of the databases were those that met our predefined criteria of VR, marginalized populations, and well-being. We included 38 studies and charted preregistered variables using narrative synthesis and descriptive statistics. The populations represented in the included studies were often intersectionally marginalized and observed that VR offered diverse support, such as social support and affirmation, mental and emotional well-being, education and support for disability and physical health, and cultural connections. Overall, most studies reported positive findings, though several noted no effect on at least some outcomes. VR's flexibility created informal, flexible spaces, with support from peers, and contributed to mental and social well-being. Several factors could challenge marginalized groups' ability to follow and create pathways to VR well-being programs, such as the lack of free programs, data and program ownership, and intersectional data analyses. This area reflects a growing literature topic, with half of the studies published in 2022 or 2023. Which also means, currently, many studies have limitations like small sample sizes and are lacking mixed-methods or practical significance analyses. Moving forward, researchers could apply more open-access and inclusivity practices in their design and recruitment to widen equitable access to marginalized stakeholders. However, many marginalized populations created VR programs and benefited from them, contributing to a rebalancing of power over wellbeing.

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Investigating Public Attitudes Toward AI-Driven Medical Technologies: A Review of Literature on Trust and Ethical Considerations

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Abstract

AI can bring about revolutions in health care through improvements in diagnosis and treatment of diseases while ensuring more operational efficiencies. The proposed literature review is intended to build on public perception, trust factors, and some ethical implications of AI-powered medical technologies. Findings indicated general awareness of AI in health, though different depths among participants were noted. AI technologies have various advantages, including improvements in diagnosis, identifying treatment options. However, several issues related to the use of AI in treatment, including data privacy and security concerns, are still looming large in regard to the erosion of human touch in patient care. Transparency, explain ability, reliability, and accuracy are the distinguishing factors for trusting AI. Ethical challenges related to AI algorithms showing bias and the need for informed consent further add to the complications for integrating AI into health. A socially responsible approach toward handling all these issues and ethical guidelines will be vital for successfully introducing AI into health. The involvement of health professionals in developing and implementing the AI system would ensure systems that are user-friendly and meet the requirements in clinical environments. The health sector will, therefore, be able to implement the potentials of AI with integrity

only by responding to issues of the public's concern and ethical issues surrounding the technology. Indeed, the future area of study shall address how to reduce bias in AI algorithms, create ethics guidelines, and deduce the long-run implications for patient benefit and healthcare delivery.

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