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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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Children in Armed Conflict

Protecting Children From Conflict: An Unwavering Priority Amidst Surge in Conflict Worldwide

Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict

Tuesday, 26 August 2025

Grave violations against children have reached shocking levels in 2024, a new report of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict to the General Assembly shows.

The report, which covers the period from August 2024 to July 2025, highlights **a staggering 25 % surge in grave violations compared to 2023**. It stresses the dramatic impacts hostilities continue to have on children, pointing to the failure to respect international humanitarian and human rights law, disregard for the specific protection of children, and deepening humanitarian crises.

"Children are paying a huge price. They are being starved, displaced and killed. This underscores the crucial importance of ensuring lasting peace and stability, which is the only way to ensure children's protection," said the Acting Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Dr. Najat Maalla M'jid.

The Special Representative's ongoing multistakeholder engagement to build partnerships to end and prevent grave violations against children is also highlighted in the report. Engagement with parties to the conflict bears fruit, as shown by the signature of handover protocols for the transfer of children to civilian authorities in the Central African Republic and Yemen, or the release of children in Afghanistan and Sudan.

To date, more than 40 action plans have been signed, and dialogue has resulted in the release of over 220,000 children from armed forces and groups.

In collaboration with partners, a new advocacy campaign, entitled 'Prove It Matters', was also launched in March 2025, aimed at rallying the international community behind the Convention on the Rights of the Child, with children's voices at the centre.

The report further emphasises the urgent need to address the situation of children affected by armed conflict. At a time of acute humanitarian and protection needs for children, resources for child protection must be sustained and reinforced, the SRSB stressed.

As we approach its 30th anniversary, it is essential to uphold the Children and Armed Conflict mandate, allowing it to build on its long-standing work to ensure the protection of children. "The international community must recommit and uphold the protection of children. Protecting children contributes to breaking the cycles of conflict and violence and promotes sustainable peace," she said.

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Annual Report of the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict to the General Assembly

A/80/266 25 July 2025 :: 15 pages

[Excerpt]

...78. The Special Representative calls upon parties to conflict to allow and facilitate **safe, timely and unimpeded humanitarian access, as well as access by children to services, assistance and protection, and to ensure the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and assets.**

Recalling their civilian character, she urges Member States to do their utmost to protect schools, students and teachers, as well as hospitals, healthcare institutions and health workers, in the conduct of their operations.

79. The Special Representative calls upon Member States to **ensure that child protection provisions and capacity are included in all relevant mandates of the United Nations peacekeeping operations and special political missions** in line with the 2017 policy on child protection in United Nations peace operations. During mission transitions, including start-ups, reconfigurations, drawdowns or withdrawals, child protection frameworks should be upheld, and data and capacity preserved and transferred.

80. **The Special Representative calls upon all Member States to ratify and implement the Convention on the Rights of the Child and accede to its Optional Protocol on the involvement of children in armed conflict,** and to endorse and implement the Paris Principles, the Safe Schools Declaration and the Vancouver Principles...

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Water

1 in 4 people globally still lack access to safe drinking water – WHO, UNICEF

26 August 2025

To mark World Water Week 2025, new report highlights persistent inequalities, with vulnerable communities left behind.

Despite progress over the last decade, billions of people around the world still lack access to essential water, sanitation, and hygiene services, putting them at risk of disease and deeper social exclusion.

A new report: *Progress on Household Drinking Water and Sanitation 2000–2024: special focus on inequalities* –launched by WHO and UNICEF during World Water Week 2025 – reveals that, while some progress has been made, major gaps persist. People living in low-income countries, fragile contexts, rural communities, children, and minority ethnic and indigenous groups face the greatest disparities.

Ten key facts from the report:

- Despite gains since 2015, **1 in 4 – or 2.1 billion people globally – still lack access to safely managed drinking water***, including 106 million who drink directly from untreated surface sources.
- **3.4 billion people still lack safely managed sanitation, including 354 million who practice open defecation.**
- **1.7 billion people still lack basic hygiene services at home**, including 611 million without access to any facilities.

- People in least developed countries are more than twice as likely as people in other countries to lack basic drinking water and sanitation services, and more than three times as likely to lack basic hygiene.
- **In fragile contexts**, safely managed drinking water coverage is 38 percentage points lower than in other countries**, highlighting stark inequalities.

SERVICE LEVEL	DEFINITION
SAFELY MANAGED	Drinking water from an improved source that is accessible on premises, available when needed and free from faecal and priority chemical contamination
BASIC	Drinking water from an improved source, provided collection time is not more than 30 minutes for a round trip, including queuing
LIMITED	Drinking water from an improved source, for which collection time exceeds 30 minutes for a round trip, including queuing
UNIMPROVED	Drinking water from an unprotected dug well or unprotected spring
SURFACE WATER	Drinking water directly from a river, dam, lake, pond, stream, canal or irrigation canal

FIGURE 22 SDG ladder for drinking water services

Note: Improved sources include: piped water, boreholes or tubewells, protected dug wells, protected springs, rainwater, and packaged or delivered water.

- While there have been improvements for people living in rural areas, they still lag behind. Safely managed drinking water coverage rose from 50 per cent to 60 per cent between 2015 and 2024, and basic hygiene coverage increased from 52 per cent to 71 per cent. In contrast, drinking water and hygiene coverage in urban areas has stagnated.
- Data from 70 countries show that while most women and adolescent girls have menstrual materials and a private place to change, many lack sufficient materials to change as often as needed.
- Adolescent girls aged 15–19 are less likely than adult women to participate in activities during menstruation, such as school, work and social pastimes.
- **In most countries with available data, women and girls are primarily responsible for water collection**, with many in sub-Saharan Africa and Central and Southern Asia spending more than 30 minutes per day collecting water.
- **As we approach the last five years of the Sustainable Development Goals period**, achieving the 2030 targets for ending open defecation and universal access to basic water, sanitation and hygiene services will require acceleration, while universal coverage of safely managed services appears increasingly out of reach.

“Water, sanitation and hygiene are not privileges, they are basic human rights,” said Dr Ruediger Krech, Director a.i, Environment, Climate Change and Health, World Health Organization. “We

must accelerate action, especially for the most marginalized communities, if we are to keep our promise to reach the Sustainable Development Goals.”

“When children lack access to safe water, sanitation, and hygiene, their health, education, and futures are put at risk,” said Cecilia Scharp, UNICEF Director of WASH. “These inequalities are especially stark for girls, who often bear the burden of water collection and face additional barriers during menstruation. At the current pace, the promise of safe water and sanitation for every child is slipping further from reach – reminding us that we must act faster and more boldly to reach those who need it most.”

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AI Global Governance

Secretary-General Welcomes General Assembly Decision to Establish New Mechanisms Promoting International Cooperation on Governance of Artificial Intelligence

The following statement was issued today by the Spokesman for UN Secretary-General António Guterres:

The Secretary-General warmly welcomes the **General Assembly’s decision to establish two new mechanisms within the United Nations** to promote international cooperation on the governance of artificial intelligence (AI).

The establishment of the **United Nations Independent International Scientific Panel on AI and the Global Dialogue on AI Governance marks a significant step forward** in global efforts to harness the benefits of artificial intelligence while addressing its risks. This pathbreaking milestone underlines Member States’ commitment to build on the Global Digital Compact adopted as part of the Pact for the Future in September 2024.

The Global Dialogue on AI Governance will provide an inclusive platform within the United Nations for States and stakeholders to discuss the critical issues concerning AI facing humanity today.

The Scientific Panel on AI will serve as a crucial bridge between cutting-edge AI research and policymaking. By providing rigorous, independent scientific assessments, it will help the international community to anticipate emerging challenges and make informed decisions about how we govern this transformative technology.

The Secretary-General will shortly be launching an **open call for nominations for the Scientific Panel**, which will present its annual reports at the Global Dialogue on AI Governance to take place in July 2026 in Geneva and 2027 in New York.

The Secretary-General calls on all stakeholders to support this historic initiative and contribute to building a future where artificial intelligence serves the common good of all humanity.

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Science Philanthropy

Science Philanthropy Alliance Releases 2025 Indicators Report

By Christopher L. Martin, Kate E. Lowry, Robert W. Conn, France A. Córdova

The Science Philanthropy Alliance is pleased to partner with the University of California San Diego (UCSD) Frontiers in Science and Innovation Policy (FSIP) Program to release its second Science Philanthropy Indicators Report in an interactive format. Using National Science Foundation (NSF) data, **this report examines research and development (R&D) funding in the United States through a philanthropic lens, with a focus on the higher education and nonprofit research sectors.**

The Science Philanthropy Indicators Report features the latest available NSF data, representing a 70-year time series from 1953 to 2023. It offers a new look at historical trends for specific fields and for graduate students and postdocs, including international students...

U.S. Research & Development: Overview

- Basic research is the foundation of future innovation and progress, with fundamental discoveries very often leading to new technologies and societal benefits. **Yet, basic research represents only 15% of U.S. R&D spending in 2023, which totaled \$939B in 2023.** Applied research, which is basic research aimed at solving some problem, represents an additional 18% and the remainder is for development.
- **Most basic research and a smaller fraction of applied research is performed by universities and nonprofit research organizations, totaling \$114.7B in 2023.** The federal government is by far the largest funder of research at these institutions, supporting \$58.6B in 2023. This represents 51% of the total, down from more than 70% in the 1960s as funding from other sources has increased.

15%

The percentage of U.S. R&D spending that supports
basic research

\$16.8B

The amount of current philanthropic funding for basic
and applied R&D in 2023

\$7.4B

The amount of legacy philanthropic funding for basic
and applied R&D in 2023

\$19.2B

The amount of research expenditures self-funded by
universities in 2023

- We estimate that the total philanthropic contribution for basic and applied research at universities and nonprofit research organizations is \$24.2B in 2023, representing 21% of the total support. This includes \$16.8B in current philanthropy from nonprofit sources and \$7.4B in legacy philanthropy (the annual payout from endowments built up from past giving and investment gains).

- **Universities are increasingly self-funding their research expenditures** through additional non-philanthropic revenue sources such as patent revenue, patient care, tuition, debt financing, and more. This represents \$19.2B in 2023, or 17% of the total support.
 - **If the President's Budget Request for 2026 were enacted, we estimate that federal funding for basic and applied research at universities and nonprofit research institutions would drop from \$58.6B to \$36.9B, or by 37%.** This would be less than the amount of federal research funding available nearly a quarter-century ago.

These key findings are particularly important at a time when federal support for scientists and the scientific research enterprise in the U.S. is increasingly threatened. **As the data in our report illustrate, science philanthropy cannot replace federal funding at universities and nonprofit research institutions.** Rather, federal support for the scientific infrastructure, human capital, and capabilities that have been built over decades must remain in place for philanthropy to have its greatest impact as a nimble, catalytic, and risk-taking complement to government funding.

If enacted, the proposed cuts to federal science agencies would have devastating impacts on the future of U.S. science and technology. Fortunately, the budget appropriations process is beginning to yield some good news, with Congress largely rejecting such deep cuts. We will update this report as new data from NSF become available and as future funding levels become finalized. In the meantime, we invite you to leverage these data and tools to encourage more support for science.

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Featured Journal Content

[Evolving Collective Cognition in Human-Agent Hybrid Societies: How Agents Form Stances and Boundaries](#)

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[arXiv:2508.17366](#) **PRE-PRINT**

Abstract

Large language models have been widely used to simulate credible human social behaviors. However, it remains unclear whether these models can demonstrate stable capacities for stance formation and identity negotiation in complex interactions, as well as how they respond to human interventions.

We propose a computational multi-agent society experiment framework that integrates generative agent-based modeling with virtual ethnographic methods to investigate how group stance differentiation and social boundary formation emerge in human-agent hybrid societies.

Across three studies, we find that agents exhibit endogenous stances, independent of their preset identities, and display distinct tonal preferences and response patterns to different discourse strategies. Furthermore, through language interaction, **agents actively dismantle existing identity-based power structures and reconstruct self-organized community boundaries** based on these stances.

Our findings suggest that preset identities do not rigidly determine the agents' social structures. For human researchers to effectively intervene in collective cognition, attention must be paid to the endogenous mechanisms and interactional dynamics within the agents' language networks. These insights provide a theoretical foundation for using generative AI in modeling group social dynamics and studying human-agent collaboration.

...4. Conclusion

This paper systematically reveals the mechanisms of stance formation and the capacity for social

structure reconstruction exhibited by agents in group interactions. Within the CMASE [Computational Multi-Agent Society Experiment] framework, we find that when human researchers adopt a discursive style aligned with the stance tendencies of the agent collective, intervention strategies significantly enhance persuasive effectiveness.

Conversely, when there is a mismatch between the agents' endogenous stances and external interventions, emotionally charged discourse proves more impactful than rationally structured arguments. Furthermore, our findings show that through language anchoring consistent with their endogenous stances, agents are able to decouple from their preset configurations, dismantle power structures tied to initial identities, and reconstruct their social boundaries.

These findings suggest that when language serves as the primary medium, agents are no longer bound by surface-level identities injected via prompts, but instead demonstrate dynamically generated collective cognition and emergent social positioning. As language models are increasingly deployed across social domains, it is essential to reconsider the foundations of agent stance and identity in digital society. This work provides a theoretical foundation for building trustworthy, socially capable AI systems in the future.

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:: Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

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29 August 2025 SC/16160

[Brutal Escalation of Large-Scale Russian Federation Attacks on Ukraine Setting Grim Casualty Records, Jeopardizing Fragile Diplomatic Momentum, Security Council Hears](#)

Warning that the Ukrainian people caught in the crossfire are "entering the fourth winter of the full-scale war", a top UN official told the Security Council today that the Russian Federation's large-scale escalation of attacks against civilians persist, killing children, setting grim casualty records and jeopardizing fragile diplomatic momentum.

29 August 2025 SG/SM/22780

[Secretary-General Condemns Relentless Attacks by Rapid Support Forces in Sudan's North Darfur, Urges Immediate Ceasefire](#)

28 August 2025 SG/SM/22777

Secretary-General Condemns Deadly Missile, Drone Attacks by Russian Federation on Ukrainian Cities

28 August 2025 SC/16159

Unanimously Adopting Resolution 2790 (2025), Security Council Extends Mandate of United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

The Security Council today extended the mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), for a final time until 31 December 2026, and decided that it should start an orderly and safe drawdown and withdrawal from that date.

28 August 2025 GA/PAL/1485

As Gaza Faces Famine, United Nations Committee on Palestinian Rights Urges World Leaders to Back Two-State Solution at General Assembly's High-Level Session

Famine is a reality in Gaza and this "crime against humanity" must be stopped, the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People heard today, as speakers underscored the importance to demonstrate solidarity with the Palestinian cause ahead of the General Assembly's high-level session in September.

28 August 2025 SC/16158

Amid Relentless Armed Violence, Collapsing Schools, Hospitals, Haiti Facing 'Perfect Storm of Suffering', Secretary-General Warns Security Council

Amid relentless armed violence, collapsing schools and hospitals, and a worsening humanitarian crisis leaving millions at risk, the UN Chief warned the Security Council today that Haiti faces a "perfect storm of suffering", with children enduring unprecedented levels of forced recruitment, sexual violence and hunger.

27 August 2025 SC/16157

Gaza's Population Systematically Being Starved to Death, Speakers Warn Security Council, Demanding Immediate Ceasefire, End to Deliberate Famine

The situation in Gaza is catastrophic, with the worst-case scenario of famine now officially declared and Israel using starvation as a method of war "in its starkest terms", speakers warned the Security Council today, among them the head of Save the Children International, who implored, Gaza's "children have reached their breaking point. Where is yours?"

26 August 2025 SG/SM/22776

Secretary-General Welcomes General Assembly Decision to Establish New Mechanisms Promoting International Cooperation on Governance of Artificial Intelligence

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UN experts alarmed by reports of enforced disappearances at Gaza Humanitarian Foundation aid distribution sites

GENEVA – Condemning the enforced disappearance of starving Palestinian civilians seeking food aid at distribution centres run by the Gaza Humanitarian Foundation, a group of UN experts* today urged Israeli authorities to put an end to the heinous crime against an already vulnerable population...

Thematic reports 25 August 2025

A/80/172: Corporations and international solidarity - Report of the Independent Expert on

[human rights and international solidarity](#)

UN Human Rights Council [to 30 Aug 2025]

https://www.ohchr.org/en/hr-bodies/hrc/news?field_content_category=162&field_entity=1203
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Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 30 Aug 2025]

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Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 30 Aug 2025]

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SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 30 Aug 2025]

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SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 30 Aug 2025]

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[UN experts reaffirm central role of gender in advancing human rights and equality](#)

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 30 Aug 2025] <http://www.unhcr.org/en-us/media-centre.html>

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[UNHCR's Grandi calls for urgent international support to help refugees returning home in DR Congo and Rwanda](#)

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[UNHCR welcomes Royal Thai Government resolution providing long-term refugees the right to work](#)

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UN OCHA Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs [to 30 Aug 2025]

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"Failure to act will have irreversible consequences," UN Deputy Relief Chief tells Security Council on Gaza famine

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IOM Reaffirms Commitment to Support Syria and Strengthen Its Presence

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Typhoon Kajiki Causes Widespread Damage in Viet Nam, IOM Scales Up Response

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UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell remarks at the Security Council Open Debate on Haiti

NEW YORK, 28 August 2025 – “, Good morning. Thank you, Ambassador Alfaro, and Ambassador for co-convening this briefing ... and for the opportunity to address this Council today on the dire crisis facing children in Haiti. “Thank you to the Secretary-General for his deep and ongoing commitment to the protection of ...

Statement 28 August 2025

Four children reportedly killed in wave of deadly attacks on Kyiv, Ukraine

GENEVA/KYIV, 28 August 2025 –, “A wave of deadly attacks hit Kyiv during the early hours of this morning – reportedly killing four children, including a toddler. At least 10 children were reportedly injured. The children were at home in their beds, trying to sleep. “Once again, the lives of children have been c...

Statement 28 August 2025

Children bear the brunt of escalating violence in Rakhine, Myanmar, as deadly attacks continue

BANGKOK, 28 August 2025 -, UNICEF is gravely concerned by reports of an attack on 25 August in Mrauk U Township, Rakhine State, that reportedly killed and injured children and destroyed homes. The escalation of conflict in Rakhine in recent months has left children increasingly vulnerable. Deadly attacks continue to drive fear, displacement and suffering. Children are being...

Press release 26 August 2025

After 500 days under siege, children in Sudan's Al Fasher face starvation, mass displacement, and deadly violence

NEW YORK/PORT SUDAN, 27 August 2025 -, After 500 days under siege, the city of Al Fasher in Sudan's North Darfur has become an epicentre of child suffering, with malnutrition, disease, and violence claiming young lives daily, UNICEF warned today. At least 600,000 people - half of them children - have been displaced from Al Fasher and surrounding camps in recent months. Inside the city...

Press release 25 August 2025

Fast facts: 1 in 4 people globally still lack access to safe drinking water – WHO, UNICEF

NEW YORK/GENEVA, 26 August 2025, – Despite progress over the last decade, billions of people around the world still lack access to essential water, sanitation, and hygiene services, putting them at risk of disease and deeper social exclusion. A new report: Progress on Household Drinking Water and Sanitation 200...

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Ministerial Malaria champions step up Malaria fight with new commitments and accountability scorecard

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: 29 Aug 2025

Antigen bank for foot-and-mouth disease opens in the Americas to facilitate quick access to emergency vaccines

Rio de Janeiro, August 29, 2025 (PAHO/PANAFTOSA) – The Regional Foot-and-Mouth Disease Antigen Bank (BANVACO) is officially in operation as of today, marking a major milestone in the ability of the Americas to respond to health emergencies due to this disease. The aim of BANVACO, which held its first regular meeting on August 28-29, is to ensure a...

:: 29 Aug 2025

[Amid localized chikungunya outbreaks and ongoing Oropouche cases, PAHO urges strengthened surveillance and vector control across the Americas](#)

Washington, D.C., August 29, 2025 (PAHO) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) has called for reinforcing surveillance, clinical management, and vector control to address localized chikungunya outbreaks and the ongoing circulation of the Oropouche virus (OROV) in countries across the Americas. The simultaneous presence of these and other...

:: 28 Aug 2025

[PAHO launches tool to monitor early child development in Latin America](#)

Washington, D.C., August 28, 2025 (PAHO) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) today released the Spanish version of a package of measures to monitor child development up to 36 months of age. This tool provides a standardized method for conducting early childhood assessments, applicable across different cultures and contexts. The...

:: 26 Aug 2025

[PAHO calls for strengthened vaccination and surveillance amid the spread of antibiotic-resistant pertussis in the Americas](#)

Washington, D.C., August 26, 2025 (PAHO) – In light of the resurgence of pertussis across several countries in the region and the emergence and spread of antibiotic-resistant strains, the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) reiterated the importance of strengthening vaccination and surveillance systems. The concern was shared during a recent...

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[New partnership strengthens information systems for refugee and migrant health](#)

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

[Gates Foundation and WHO partner to meet the health needs of 465 000 people affected by floods in Pakistan](#)

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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 cholera, external situation report #29 -28 August 2025](#)

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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.

29 August 2025 | Cholera – Multi-country with a focus on countries experiencing current surges

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

Vol. 100, No. 35, pp. 335–346 29 August 2025

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

:: Health–Security Interface Technical Advisory Group: 2025 annual meeting summary report

:: Performance of acute flaccid paralysis (AFP) surveillance and incidence of poliomyelitis, 2025

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WHO guidelines on meningitis diagnosis, treatment and care: executive summary

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Methodology for the update of the Global Health Expenditure Database

26 August 2025

Polio eradication strategy 2022-2026: delivering on a promise, extension to 2029

26 August 2025

Anthrax: implementation guidance for clinicians

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World Organisation for Animal Health [OIE] [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Press Releases, Statements

No new digest announcements identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Selected Press Releases [Selected]

News story

Adolescent pregnancy in Latin America and the Caribbean: Seeking reproductive justice for Afrodescendent women and girls

29 August 2025

BOCAS DEL TORO PROVINCE, Panama – “We don't have special care for women,” said Jakelyn Chiu, a single mother of three from the Bocas del Toro Province in Panama. “Here in the district, we don't have a...

News story

Famine confirmed in Gaza – pregnant women and newborns at acute risk

25 August 2025

GAZA STRIP, Occupied Palestinian Territory – “Where is the world watching what’s happening to us, and to our children? All families in the world have children,” said Inas, who lives in a displacement camp with her three...

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.undp.org/news-centre>

News Centre

UNDP presents stronger Evaluation Policy

Statement by Marcos Neto, UN Assistant Secretary-General, and Director of UNDP’s Bureau for Policy and Programme Support, at the 6th Meeting of the UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS Executive Board Second Regular Session 2025.

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UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 30 Aug 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 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.unenvironment.org/>

Resources [Selected]

30 Aug 2025 | *Press Release*

Asia-Pacific environment leaders urge action for a sustainable and resilient planet

The Sixth Forum of Ministers and Environment Authorities of Asia Pacific concluded with a united call for urgent, collective action to tackle the region’s triple planetary crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution. With a focus on the importance of global cooperation, ministers and senior officials committed to accelerate the implementation of UNEA resolutions, enhance ambition in climate and adaptation plans, and strengthen cooperation on key priorities such as ocean protection, plastic pollution, air quality, and sustainable resource use.

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 30 Aug 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 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.un.org/en/articles-by-property-w-date/81254>

Latest

26-08-2025 | DESA

Putting water management at the centre of the climate change fight

25 August 2025 - Some 2.2 billion people worldwide still lack access to safely managed drinking water services, according to the World Health Organization (WHO) - an increasingly urgent challenge as demand for safer access to the vital resource grows.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/all-news-recent>

News [Selected]

Social Dialogue in Latin America and the Caribbean: ILO publishes diagnosis and challenges for strengthening labour relations

The ILO presents a new report examining the state of social dialogue and labour relations in Latin America and the Caribbean, highlighting advances, challenges, and tripartite experiences across the region.

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UNESCO [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Press Releases, News [Selected]

- *Observatory of Killed Journalists No new digest content identified.*

Press Releases

Website not responding at inquiry.

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Announcements [Selected]

Aug 28, 2025 world heritage

ICOMOS and WHIPIC sign MoU

ICOMOS and the International Centre for the Interpretation and Presentation of World Heritage Sites (WHIPIC) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for collaboration on joint activities relating to the interpretation and presentation of World Heritage Sites.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 30 Aug 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 30 Aug 2025]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

Press Releases, Statements [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

World Food Programme [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.wfp.org/news>

Selected News Releases [Selected]

29 August 2025

Germany provides 65 million USD to boost resilience as severe humanitarian crisis unfolds in South Sudan

Juba, Germany, has provided another 65 million USD to UNICEF and the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) to strengthen community resilience to various shocks in South Sudan.

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Readout of WFP Executive Director's Meetings in Israel and Palestine

28 August 2025

Republic of Korea Provides USD 30 Million in Humanitarian Support to the Gaza Strip through UNDP, UNICEF and WFP in Coordination with the Palestinian Government

Ramallah – The Government of the Republic of Korea today announced USD 30 million in humanitarian assistance to support lifesaving interventions in Gaza through the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), in coordination with the Palestinian government.

28 August 2025

WFP chief visits Palestine and Israel, calls for immediate surge of aid into Gaza and safe access to reach the most vulnerable families

JERUSALEM – Safe, unfettered humanitarian access to reach the most vulnerable families is the top priority right now, World Food Programme Executive Director Cindy McCain said after visiting the Gaza Strip where she witnessed firsthand immense destruction and desperation.

27 August 2025

India and WFP Join Forces to Combat Global Hunger

NEW DELHI: The Government of India and the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) have taken an important step in their partnership to address global hunger by signing an agreement that outlines plans for future collaboration.

27 August 2025

WFP scales up emergency food assistance in southern Syria to reach entire population of As-Sweida

DAMASCUS, Syria – The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) has mounted an emergency response in southern Syria which aims to reach the entire population of As-Sweida and crisis affected families in surrounding areas with food assistance in the coming weeks. The expanded operation builds upon assistance WFP has been providing across As-Sweida, Dar'a and Rural Damascus, following a recent surge in violence that has displaced thousands and left communities struggling to survive.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.icao.int/>

Latest News and Highlights [Selected]

Asia-Pacific accelerates progress towards ICAO's safety, sustainability, and connectivity goals

8/28/2025

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.imo.org/News>
No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://public.wmo.int/News> [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.upu.int/en/News-Media/Press/Press-Releases> Press Releases [Selected]

UPU working to ready global postal network for imminent suspension of the duty-free de minimis exemption by the United States

26 August, Berne, Switzerland – The Universal Postal Union (UPU) is taking all possible measures to prepare its member countries for the impacts that the United States' imminent suspension of the duty-free de minimis exemption, and its associated requirements for the collection and remittance of customs duties, may have on their postal flows. It is also in contact with the United States (US) Government to convey other member countries' concerns and cooperate on solutions.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.unido.org/news> News [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.iso.org/announcements.html> News [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 30 Aug 2025] [http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/Press releases](http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/Press%20releases) [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.cbd.int/Announcements/Decisions/Events> [Selected]

Second meeting of the Steering Committee of the Multilateral Mechanism for the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits from the Use of Digital Sequence Information on Genetic Resources, including the Cali Fund

3–6 September 2025 - Bonn, Germany

30.07.2025 // 2025-098

Extension of deadline: Submission of views to inform a preliminary review of the procedures and mechanisms on compliance under the Nagoya Protocol on ... [deadline for the submission of views to **5 September 2025.**]

30.07.2025 // 2025-100

Invitation to submit case studies and other information on relevant traditional knowledge, innovations, practices and technology of indigenous peoples... [Information should be submitted no later than **1 October 2025**]

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DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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USAID – Office of Inspector General

<https://oig.usaid.gov/>

Editor's Note:

Since February 23, 2025, the USAID website has been carrying the "*Notification of Administrative Leave*" as below. As some point, the USAID Office of Inspector General began to redirect inquiries to the USAID site to its webpages at <https://oig.usaid.gov/>. We present the most recent Inspector General reports and news as we explore further. We are analyzing the 19=page OIG response below and will report further in next week's edition.

Latest News, Reports [Selected]

Aug 28, 2025

U.S. African Development Foundation: Gaps in Policy and Guidance Hindered Strategic Partnerships and Grants Administration

February 23, 2025

Notification of Administrative Leave

USAID Office of Inspector General

As of 11:59 p.m. EST on Sunday, February 23, 2025, all USAID direct hire personnel, with the exception of designated personnel responsible for mission-critical functions, core leadership and/or specially designated programs, will be placed on administrative leave globally.

Concurrently, USAID is beginning to implement a Reduction-in-Force that will affect approximately 1,600 USAID personnel with duty stations in the United States.

Individuals that are impacted will receive specific notifications on February 23, 2025, with further instructions and information about their benefits and rights.

Designated essential personnel who are expected to continue working will be informed by Agency leadership February 23, 2025, by 5 p.m. EST.

For overseas personnel, USAID intends a voluntary Agency-funded return travel program and other benefits. USAID is committed to keeping its overseas personnel safe. Until they return home, personnel will retain access to Agency systems and to diplomatic and other resources.

In the coming week, we will provide details on how to retrieve personal items from the former USAID workspaces and return government issued devices.

Additional guidance is forthcoming, and all future updates/notices will continue to be

communicated through official USAID channels and posted on USAID.gov for those without access to USAID systems.

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [U.K.] [nee DFID] [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office> *Press release*

Statement on the latest Russian attacks against Ukraine

29 August 2025 — Press release

This statement is supported by the UK, the EU High Representative for Foreign and Security Policy and 26 EU Member States (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain and Sweden).

UK summons Russian Ambassador following Russian strikes on Kyiv overnight

28 August 2025 — Press release

The Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office has summoned the Russian Ambassador following the abhorrent strikes on Kyiv overnight which killed many Ukrainian civilians and damaged the British Council and EU Delegation offices.

UK building closer ties with Syria, supporting accountability and regional security

27 August 2025 — Press release

Minister for the Middle East visited Syria to reiterate UK support for political transition, with a focus on security and accountability

ECHO [to 30 Aug 2025]
https://ec.europa.eu/echo/news-stories/news_en
News
No new digest content identified.

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African Union [to 30 Aug 2025]
<http://www.au.int>
Press releases [Selected]

H.E Ambassador Mohamed Edrees, Assumes Duty as the New Permanent Representative

August 29, 2025

H.E. Ambassador Mohamed Edrees has officially taken on his role today, Friday August 29, 2025, as the new Permanent Observer of the African Union (AU) to the United Nations (UN), following his appointment by the Chairperson of the African Union Commission (AUC), H.E. Mahmoud Ali Youssouf.

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 30 Aug 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]

Statement Aug 27, 2025

Statement by President von der Leyen: Russia's strikes on Kyiv will only strengthen Europe's unity and Ukraine's defiance

OECD [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Newsroom [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

OAS Hosts High-Level Meetings in Support of Haitian-Led Roadmap for Stability and Peace
August 28, 2025

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://new.oic-oci.org/SitePages/latestnews.aspx>

News

The Arab Islamic Ministerial Committee on Gaza expresses deep regret at the U.S. Department of State decision not to grant entry visas to the delegation of Palestine participating in the 80th UN General Assembly

__The Arab Islamic Ministerial Committee on Gaza expresses its deep regret at the decision of the U.S. Department of State not to grant entry visas
30-08-2025

Israel Kills 740 Palestinians, Including 152 Aid Seekers, in 7 Days-----Occupation Forces Kill Journalists, Doctors, and Civil Defense Personnel with a Single Shell

The Organization of Islamic Cooperation's Media Observatory for Israeli Crimes Against Palestinians recorded 740 Palestinian martyrs between August 19 and 25, 2025, including 438 killed
2025-08-26

RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY THE 21ST EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE COUNCIL OF FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC COOPERATION TO CONSIDER THE CONTINUING ISRAELI AGGRESSION AGAINST THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE

HEADQUARTERS OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE ORGANISATION OF ISLAMIC COOPERATION JEDDAH, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2025 The Council of Foreign Ministers of the Member
26-08-2025

Group of 77 [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Latest Statements and Speeches [Selected]

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China delivered by the Delegation of the Republic of Iraq at the plenary meeting of the General Assembly on the adoption of the draft resolution entitled "**Terms of reference and modalities for the establishment and functioning of the Independent International Scientific Panel on Artificial Intelligence and the Global Dialogue on Artificial**

"Intelligence Governance" (New York, 26 August 2025)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by the Delegation of the Republic of Iraq in explanation of position during the consideration of the **outcome document of the Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development** at the General Assembly (New York, 25 August 2025)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China delivered by the Delegation of Iraq at the Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly under agenda item 127: **Global Health and Foreign Policy** (New York, 25 August 2025)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China delivered by the Delegation of Iraq during the UNDP segment of the Second Regular Session 2025 of the **Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS** (New York, 25 August 2025)

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UNCTAD [to 30 Aug 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 30 Aug 2025]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

WTO News and Events [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.ipu.org/news/press-releases>

Press releases

No new digest content identified.

European Court of Human Rights

<https://www.echr.coe.int/>

News, Announcements

Inter-Registry roundtable discussion with regional human rights courts

29/08/25

A two-day virtual roundtable discussion was held on 26 and 27 August 2025, bringing together members of the Registry of the ECHR, the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights, the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, the ECOWAS Court of Justice, and the East African Court of Justice.

Registrars and members of the Registry discussed issues of common interest and shared experiences on topics related to the work of the Courts.

These meetings enhance judicial dialogue at a technical level and strengthen cooperation among the Courts, while allowing for sharing of experience.

In 2018, the ECHR, together with the African Court of Human and Peoples' Rights and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, adopted the San José Declaration and established a Permanent Forum of Institutional Dialogue. These courts also publish a Joint Law Report, covering the leading case law of the preceding year.

International Court of Justice [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Press Releases/Case Documentation

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 30 Aug 2025]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

International Law Commission [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Recent Developments

No new digest content identified.

International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) [to 30 Aug

2025] <https://www.itlos.org/en/main/latest-news/>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

United States Court of International Trade

<https://www.cit.uscourts.gov/>

News & Announcements

No new digest content identified.

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World Bank [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News [Selected]

New World Bank Operation Links Fiscal Sustainability and Forest Conservation in Amazonas

WASHINGTON, DC, August 28, 2025 – The World Bank Board of Directors has approved a new

operation to boost the environmental governance of the State of Amazonas by enhancing its fiscal sustainability, and...

Date: August 28, 2025 Type: Press Release

Preserving the Amazon: New World Bank Project Supports Indigenous Lands and Ecosystems in Xingu

WASHINGTON, DC, August 28, 2025 – The World Bank’s Board of Directors has approved a new project to protect forests and promote sustainable development in the Lower Xingu region, in the state of Pará...

Date: August 28, 2025 Type: Press Release

New World Bank Report Charts Pathways for Energy Security, New Jobs, and Market Opportunities in East Asia

BUSAN, August 28, 2025 – A new World Bank report, Green Horizon: East Asia’s Sustainable Energy Future, outlines practical pathways to modernize and upgrade the region’s energy systems to support...

Date: August 28, 2025 Type: Press Release

IMF [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

African Development Bank [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

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

News & Events

26-Aug-2025

TICAD 9: Universities are the vital partners in development efforts for Africa; we will support them says the African

Asian Development Bank [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

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

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ADB President Announces \$3 Million Emergency Grant Ready for Pakistan Flood Relief

ADB President Masato Kanda extended condolences for the lives lost and individuals affected by the widespread monsoon rains and floods in Pakistan. Demonstrating ADB’s rapid response capability, Mr. Kanda announced that ADB will provide, upon request of the Government of Pakistan, a \$3 million grant from the Asia Pacific Disaster Response Fund to support emergency relief efforts.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 30 Aug 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]

News

No new digest content identified.

IDB – Inter-American Development Bank [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.iadb.org/en/home/press-room>

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

News

No new digest content identified.

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Islamic Development Bank [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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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 30 Aug 2025]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Communiqués de presse

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://alima.ngo/>

Our Latest News
No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://newsroom.amref.org/category/press-releases/> *Press Releases*
No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://aravind.org/>
Aravind News
No new digest content identified.

Blue Shield International [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://theblueshield.org/category/bsi-international-news/> *BS International News*
No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 30 Aug 2025]
<http://www.brac.net/#news>
Latest
No new digest content identified.

Clubhouse International [to 30 Aug 2025] <http://www.clubhouse-intl.org/news.html> *News/Events*
No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://pro.drc.ngo/resources/news/?t=Press+Release>
Press Releases

[Ukraine: From war-damaged building to modern service centre — new TsNAP opens in Mykolaiv](#)

Residents of Mykolaiv's Zavodskyi District can now access a wide range of administrative services in a newly established Administrative Service Centre (TsNAP), set up in a rehabilitated building thanks to the Danish Refugee Council (DRC) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark (DMFA).
Posted on 26 Aug 2025

ECPAT [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://ecpat.org/>
ECPAT News
No new digest content identified.

EIFL – Electronic Information for Libraries [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

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

EIFL agreements increase publishing in open access

27 Aug 2025

Britt-Marie Wideberg, Manager of the EIFL Licensing Programme, analyzes the amount of research published in open access in 2024 by authors from (...)

Licensing Programme

Apply now! EIFL Public Library Innovation Award

25 Aug 2025

Growing numbers of public libraries are incorporating STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) activities in their services (...)

Public Library Innovation Programme

Fountain House [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements

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

:: [Informed Consent: A Monthly Review – May 2025](#)

:: [Public Consultations Watch :: Global Calls for Input/Public Comment – 25 May 2025](#)

:: [Genomics :: Governance, Ethics, Policy, Practice – A Monthly Digest – May 2025](#)

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News

Act decisively and without delay to end the human suffering and uphold international law in the occupied Palestinian territory

Advocacy | Emergency | Occupied Palestinian Territories | PUBLISHED ON August 27th 2025

Heifer International [to 30 Aug 2025]

[https://www.heifer.org/about-](https://www.heifer.org/about-us/news.html)

[us/news.html](https://www.heifer.org/about-us/news.html) *News*

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 30 Aug 2025]

[https://www.helpage.org/newsroom/latest-](https://www.helpage.org/newsroom/latest-news/)

[news/](https://www.helpage.org/newsroom/latest-news/) *Selected News Releases, Statements,*

Reports

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://www.icrc.org/en/news>
News

ICRC president: Mass evacuation of Gaza City unfeasible and incomprehensible
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Syria: ICRC calls for sustained and collective efforts to address the issue of the missing
News release 29-08-2025

Number of missing people registered with the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement up nearly 70% in five years
News release 29-08-2025

IFRC [to 30 Aug 2025]
<http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/>
Press releases
Press release 29/08/2025

'Let's sleep early so we don't feel the hunger' - humanitarian workers in Gaza struggling in midst of famine

Press release 29/08/2025

IFRC launches emergency appeal to respond to devastating floods in Cape Verde

International Medical Corps (IMC)
<https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/stories-and-news/> *Press Releases/ Updates / Alerts*
Story

Helping Communities Recover After Cyclone Wipha
August 26, 2025

In mid-July, Cyclone Wipha barreled across the Philippines, unleashing torrential rains and causing widespread damage. Maximum sustained winds reached almost 60 miles per hour. International Medical Corps' dedicated team responded immediately, meeting with community members, assessing the damage and working with local officials to deliver critical supplies to those in need. "We went to the ...

IRC [International Rescue Committee] [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.rescue.org/media-center>
Press Releases

IRC welcomes landmark ruling to give refugees legal status to work in Thailand
August 29, 2025

Press Release

The IRC launches emergency response as flash floods affect more than 100,000 people in Yemen, amid devastating hunger crisis
August 26, 2025

IRCT [to 30 Aug 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 30 Aug

2025] [https://islamic-](https://islamic-relief.org/news_category/news/)

[relief.org/news_category/news/](https://islamic-relief.org/news_category/news/)

Latest news and updates

Pakistan News

[Monsoon weather continues to devastate Pakistan](#)

August 28, 2025

Mercy Corps [to 30 Aug 2025]

[http://www.mercycorps.org/press-](http://www.mercycorps.org/press-room/releases)

[room/releases](http://www.mercycorps.org/press-room/releases) *News Releases & Alerts*

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Latest [Selected

Announcements]

Yemen

[Yemen: MSF hands over hospital in Taiz after a decade of care](#)

Project Update 28 Aug 2025

Gaza-Israel war

[People gathering water caught up in gunfire in Gaza](#)

Statement 26 Aug 2025

Ukraine

[MSF treats wounded bus passengers in Ukraine](#)

Project Update 26 Aug 2025

The New Humanitarian [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News

Aid and Policy Cheat Sheet 29 August 2025

[Israel's Gaza City invasion, Nigeria's kidnapping economy, and a deadly Kyiv attack](#)

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

Climate change Opinion

28 August 2025

[Looming summits must deliver a pathway to fairer mineral extraction](#)

Politics and Economics Opinion

28 August 2025

[How a single street connects South Africa to the continent and beyond](#)

Norwegian Refugee Council

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

News & Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

OXFAM [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Press Releases/Stories Story

No new digest content identified.

Pact [to 30 Aug 2025]

[https://www.pactworld.org/press-](https://www.pactworld.org/press-room)

[room](https://www.pactworld.org/press-room) *Latest News & Highlights*

[**Pact and partners awarded new project to mitigate conflict and build community cohesion between Ghana's cocoa farmers and gold miners**](#)

Aug 25, 2025

Partners In Health [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News & Stories

[**Community Health Workers and Patients Prepare for Medicaid Cuts**](#)

Both patients and community health workers in the U.S. are bracing for the impact of Medicaid cuts.

August 29, 2025

PATH [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Newsroom [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 30 Aug 2025]

[http://plan-international.org/about-plan/resources/media-](http://plan-international.org/about-plan/resources/media-centre)

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News

No new digest content identified.

Save The Children [to 30 Aug 2025]

[https://www.savethechildren.net/ne](https://www.savethechildren.net/news)

[ws](https://www.savethechildren.net/news) *Latest News*

28 Aug 2025 *GLOBAL*

[**PAKISTAN: At least 200 children killed in deadly monsoon season as rains threaten education for millions**](#)

Large areas of Punjab are under water as rivers continue to flood, with more rain forecast. In Sialkot, rainfall broke records with nearly 364 mm falling in just 24 hours, according to the Pakistan Meteorological Department. Children and their families need food, clean water and healthcare after fast-

flowing waters and torrential rains forced more than 200,000 people to leave their homes.

28 Aug 2025 *GLOBAL*

Countries in Africa risk running out of 'wonder' food over the next 3 months due to aid cuts

The collapse in nutrition funding globally has been predicted to cut off treatment for 15.6 million people across 18 countries including over 2.3 million severely malnourished children in 2025 and predicted to continue to deteriorate in 2026.

27 Aug 2025 *Occupied Palestinian territory*

SAVE THE CHILDREN CEO WARNS UN: INDECISION ON GAZA IS COMPLICITY AS CHILDREN ARE BEING STARVED TO DEATH

Below is a statement from Save the Children International CEO Inger Ashing to the UN Security Council on Wednesday 27 August.

25 Aug 2025 *Syria*

SYRIA: SAVE THE CHILDREN OPENS FIRST NATIONAL OFFICE IN SYRIA AS LOOKS TO EXPAND SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN

Save the Children now delivers aid exclusively from inside the country through hubs in Damascus, Aleppo, Raqqa and Qamishli and employs more than 1,050 staff, 96% of whom are Syrian nationals, placing decisions, resources and accountability squarely in Syrian hands.

Tostan [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://tostan.org/>

News & Stories

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Articles

August 25, 2025

Famine Officially Declared in Gaza

Article

World Vision [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://www.worldvision.org/about-us/media-center> *Press Releases & Resources*

No new digest content identified.

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Electronic Frontiers Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Our Work

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News Releases & Statements
No new digest content identified.

Human Rights Watch [to 30 Aug 2025]

[https://www.hrw.org/
News Releases/Spotlight](https://www.hrw.org/NewsReleases/Spotlight)

August 28, 2025 | *News Release*

Maldives: Authorities Tighten Grip on Media

The Maldives parliament is considering a new law that could silence independent media amid an escalating crackdown on basic rights.

August 28, 2025 | *Dispatches*

UN Rights Council Should Support Justice in Afghanistan

August 28, 2025 | *News Release*

Lebanon: Immediately Release Gaddafi's Son

August 27, 2025 | *Dispatches*

Thailand Allows Myanmar Refugees in Camps to Work Legally

August 27, 2025 | *Dispatches*

Brazil One Step Away from Protecting Children Online

Transparency International [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

No new digest content identified.

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ChildFund Alliance [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://childfundalliance.org/>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 30 Aug 2025]

<http://concordeurope.org/>

Latest News and Events

No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 30 Aug 2025]

[https://theelders.org/news-
insight](https://theelders.org/news-insight) *Elder's Statements,*

News

No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://www.gavi.org>

g/ Press Releases

26 August 2025

Gavi welcomes renewed commitments to health equity and security made at TICAD9

:: Prime Minister of Japan H.E. Shigeru Ishiba announces Japan's contribution of up to US\$ 550 million to Gavi's next strategic period at TICAD9

:: Gavi and the African Union Commission renew commitment to advance universal health coverage and health security in Africa through immunisation, innovation, and co-created solutions

25 August 2025

Gavi expands US\$ 28 million Health Facility Solarisation Project with inauguration of first facility in Zambia

:: Zambia is the first of four Health Facility Electrification (HFSE) implementors – alongside Pakistan, Ethiopia, and Uganda – to inaugurate a solarised facility

:: Over 250 remote healthcare facilities across Zambia will be powered with solar energy, benefitting an estimated 1.3 million people

:: Backed by Gavi funding, this initiative is designed to enhance the functionality of vaccine supply chains, power essential medical equipment, support staff housing and improve maternal and primary health services

Global Fund [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News Releases

27 August 2025

Global Fund Warmly Welcomes Australia's Pledge to the Eighth Replenishment

The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (the Global Fund) warmly welcomes Australia's early pledge of AUD 266 million to the Eighth Replenishment, reinforcing Australia's commitment to ending the three epidemics as public health threa...

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://icvanetwork.org/>

Blogs, Press Releases & Statements

No new digest content identified.

InterAction [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Latest Updates

No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

What's New/Events

A resource for transforming food systems has gone dormant: our (formerly) living

Evidence and Gap Map

18 August 2025

Empowering rural communities through evidence: Learnings from National Rural Livelihoods...

Services

09 Sep 2025

CHS Alliance [to 30 Aug 2025]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

(ALNAP) Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News, Events

Call for innovations: Identifying solutions for cardiometabolic disease management or prevention in humanitarian settings in Sub-Saharan Africa

26 August 2025

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://humanitarianstudies.ch/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 30 Aug

2025] <https://www.urd.org/en/>

Publications, Events, News

No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://ihsa.info/>

News, Events

Humanitarian Blog Posts Selection, Aug 23, 2025

[text bolding from original]

Afghanistan still has the second largest number of people in need worldwide, after Sudan, and rights groups now call Taliban rule “gender apartheid”. Afghanistan is not making the headlines anymore, but it

should be. One of this week's strongest blogs reminds us why.

From Gaza, read a blistering account of starvation as a weapon of war: graphic, painful, and impossible to ignore. As journalism itself comes under fire, journalists use microphones and cameras against guns and missiles. While a legal analysis adds why a decision from the International Court of Justice will take years and why states can't wait, we read about a first-person piece on the heartbreak of leaving Gaza yet never escaping it.

Beyond those frontlines, we feature a call for a new playbook on refugee inclusion in aid decision-making ("popularity and proximity to the system matter more than capacity"), a critique of Lebanon's broken safety nets, and how AI blind spots could distort humanitarian action.

IHSA 2025 Conference in Istanbul, 15-17 October

The IHSA Conference on Humanitarian Studies will be held in Istanbul, Türkiye. The multi-day conference at Marmara University will feature both in-person and online paper presentations, roundtable discussions, and keynotes, as well as a social element for in-person attendees.

The theme for the conference is Humanitarianism in Crisis: New Realities in Practices and Knowledges. The conference will be held between 15-17 October, in collaboration with Marmara University, Global Disaster Preparedness Center and the Turkish Red Crescent. For more information including the sub-themes, panel submissions and registrations go to the [IHSA conference website!](#)

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://inee.org/News/Events/Resources>
No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://phap.org/>
Association news, events

"Please note that the PHAP secretariat is currently unstaffed. Therefore, there are no ongoing projects or upcoming events planned. The PHAP Board is evaluating how to proceed. If you have an important request, please email admin@phap.org"

Sphere [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://spherestandards.org/news/>
News

A field diary from Umerkot, Pakistan

27 August 2025 | Sphere

Zunaira Shams, Communications Manager, Sphere Day 1 – Arriving in the desert heartland The journey to Umerkot started early in the morning. Four and a half hours on the road, deep into Sindh's interior, to a place that still feels untouched by...

Plan International Bangladesh responds to Cyclone Remal

26 August 2025 | Sphere

A people-centred approach to recovery and safety. Mohammad Shazed, Pongkaj Moy Tripura and Risat Ara Meem, Plan International Bangladesh "The cyclone destroyed everything. Our house and our old toilet got flooded and became unusable. We could not...

How can, and should, Sphere monitor and evaluate its Theory of Change?

25 August 2025 | Sphere

Hamna Chohan, Olivia Bornyi, and Maria San Miguel Vidal – Applied Research Project Team, Geneva Graduate Institute (IHEID) Understanding the need Sphere's Theory of Change (ToC) outlines its mid-term vision across four priority areas: Policy and...

Start Network [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://startnetwork.org/news-and-blogs> *News and Blog*
No new digest content identified.

Unitaid [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://unitaid.org/>
News
No new digest content identified.

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Brookings [to 30 Aug 2025]
<http://www.brookings.edu/>
Reports, Events
Research
NIH funding and local employment
Phillip Levine and Robin McKnight
August 28, 2025

... In this report, we investigate the extent to which NIH funding affects local labor markets. We categorize major NIH awards by the location of their recipients and track funding per capita in those locations over the past two decades. We examine changes in such funding levels to investigate whether those locations with a larger influx of NIH funding experienced greater employment growth. We also evaluate whether such funding increases lead to an increase in the population share with a college degree. In both cases, our analysis supports such a relationship...

Center for Global Development [to 30 Aug 2025]
<https://www.cgdev.org/>
All Research
WORKING PAPER
Global Headwinds to Kuznets' Low-Inequality Transformation: Plutocrats, Populism, and More
Nancy Birdsall
August 26, 2025

Kuznets's prediction that inequality would fall after structural transformation faces major obstacles in today's globalized economy, including tax evasion by elites, restrictions on labor migration, and climate damage. While some countries show signs of transformation through growth and urbanization...

WORKING PAPER
Designing Trigger Mechanisms for Epidemic and Pandemic Financing and Response
Nita K. Madhav et al.
August 25, 2025

Triggers—criteria that activate alerts, financing, or response measures—are central to pandemic decision-making but remain unevenly applied and often implicit. A new framework could guide high-quality trigger design in pandemic financing and response, improving their effectiveness, reliability, and

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Chatham House [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Selected Analysis, Comment, Events

[Push to deport failed Afghan asylum seekers from Europe could benefit the Taliban](#)

In the absence of diplomatic recognition, Afghanistan's Taliban government would welcome engagement on migration management as a way to build rapport with the West.

Expert comment

Published 28 August 2025 4 minute read

Featured content

News release

[Appointment of new Chatham House Programme Director for Europe and Russia](#)

Grégoire Roos will begin his new role of Programme Director for Europe and Russia in October.

29 August 2025 1 minute READ

Expert comment

[Will stablecoins help developing countries? It's complicated](#)

The GENIUS Act means that, for good or ill, stablecoins are here to stay. Their ability to facilitate capital flows in and out of emerging economies presents a mixed bag for policymakers.

26 August 2025 3 minute READ

Explainer

[Corruption in Nigeria](#)

Explaining how corruption has affected Nigeria, from undermining economic growth to eroding public trust in institutions.

28 August 2025 4 minute READ

Expert comment

[Will Germany rearm quickly enough?](#)

'Zeitenwende' has transformed German attitudes to defence. But it will take more than increased spending to deliver a more effective military.

26 August 2025 4 minute READ

Council on Foreign Relations [to 30 Aug

2025] <https://www.cfr.org/media/news-releases>

No new digest content identified.

CSIS [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Reports [Selected]

[Assessing the Impact of the Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act After Three Years](#)

As the third anniversary of the passage of the UFLPA approaches, a look at the act shows an enormous impact on trade, as well as on Americans' confidence that they are not selling or buying goods linked to atrocities committed against the people of Xinjiang.

Report by Laura T. Murphy and Charlotte Tate — August 29, 2025

[The Strategic Future of Subsea Cables: Japan Case Study](#)

Japan, an island nation dependent on subsea cables and a nexus for Asia-North America communications, faces many risks amid regulatory slog and geopolitical tensions. It must leverage its industry leadership and global partnerships to secure this critical infrastructure.
Report by Erin L. Murphy and Thomas Bryja — August 26, 2025

How Can the U.S. Government Safeguard Commercial Satellites from Threats?

Over the next five years, the number of U.S. satellites, especially commercial ones, will skyrocket. As the number of satellites in orbits grows, so do the threats they face. Fortunately, the United States government has many tools able to help protect U.S. commercial space interests, but it but it could be doing more.

Report by Clayton Swope — August 25, 2025

McKinsey Global Institute [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Featured Research

No new digest content identified.

ODI [Overseas Development Institute] [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://odi.org/en/publications/>

Publications [Selected]

Humanitarian evacuations: practice, guidance, research gaps and lessons

28 August 2025

Briefing/policy paper

Pew Research Center [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Latest Publications

[Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Rand [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Published Research [Selected]

Research Aug 28, 2025

Public Health and Ethical Risks of Rollbacks on Medicaid Coverage for Gender-Affirming Care

A new federal bill would cut Medicaid and CHIP funding for gender-affirming care, threatening access for gender minorities and worsening mental health disparities, despite major medical groups deeming such care medically necessary.

Research Aug 25, 2025

Defining Hazardous Capabilities of Biological AI Models: Expert Convening to Inform Future Risk Assessment

In June 2024, the Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security and RAND convened a group to discuss the potentially hazardous capabilities of biological AI models that are trained on or capable of manipulating substantial quantities of biological data.

Expert Insights Aug 25, 2025

Artificial Intelligence and the Social Contract: Foundations for Social and Economic Policy Under Technological Transformation

The authors argue that social contract theory provides a valuable compass for navigating the societal and economic impacts of advances in artificial intelligence and they illustrate with examples.

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 30 Aug 2025]

<http://researchonresearch.org/>

RoRI News, Events

August 27, 2025

Democratising funding evaluation can slash the time it takes to deliver a final decision by over 50%

A new RoRI study with the Volkswagen Foundation shows how distributed peer review can make funding decisions more democratic

Alan Turing Institute

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

k/ News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Urban Institute [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

New Research Publications - Selected

The Wistar Institute [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Media [Selected]

Investing in Southern Africa's Critical Minerals: A Global Imperative for the Energy Transition

Published 29 Aug 2025

- New World Economic Forum report highlights that Southern Africa's vast reserves of critical minerals vital to the energy transition remain overlooked by global investment flows.
- The research breaks down systemic gaps facing the region including policy uncertainty, infrastructure deficits, limited access to reliable energy, and lagging innovation.
- The report outlines replicable local case studies designed to bridge these gaps, unlock regional and international financing, and strengthen global energy supply resilience.
- Read the new Securing Minerals for the Energy Transition: Finance for Southern Africa report [here](#).

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ISC / International Science Council [to 30 Aug 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

25 August 2025 - 8 min read

[On the outcomes of the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on a global plastics treaty](#)

The International Science Council and its Expert Group on Plastic Pollution note with concern the lack of agreement at INC-5.2, reaffirming that scientific evidence continues to call for urgent global action on plastic pollution.

Global Research Council [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://globalresearchcouncil.org/about/>
News

No new digest content identified.

National Academy of Engineering - USA [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Latest News & Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News, Stories, Insights

No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

National Endowment for the Humanities [U.S.] [to 30 Aug 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 30 Aug 2025]

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

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

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World Commission on the Ethics of Scientific Knowledge and Technology (COMEST)

<https://www.unesco.org/en/ethics-science-technology/comest>

The work programme of the Commission for 2024-2025 as follows:

- :: The Commission will address the ethics of quantum computing, building on its work on the ethics of emerging technologies, including artificial intelligence, robotics and the Internet of Things (IoT).
- :: The Commission will also address the ethical considerations on space exploration and exploitation, following its reflection on the ethics of water, land-use and climate engineering.

Reports. Statements, Meetings

No new digest content identified.

International Bioethics Committee (IBC)

<https://www.unesco.org/en/ethics-science-technology/ibc>

The IBC is a body of 36 independent experts that follows progress in the life sciences and its applications in order to ensure respect for human dignity and freedom.

Reports. Statements, Meetings

No new digest content identified.

Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee (IGBC)

<https://www.unesco.org/en/ethics-science-technology/igbc>

The IGBC was created in 1998, and is composed of 36 Member States, whose representatives examine the advice and recommendations of the International Bioethics Committee.

Reports. Statements, Meetings

No new digest content identified.

CIOMS – COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://cioms.ch/>

News; Publications; Events

No new digest content identified.

Hastings Center [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://www.thehastingscenter.org/for-media/> *Press Releases, Events*

Bioethics Forum Essay

[What Really Causes Autism and What We Should Do About It](#)

by Robert Klitzman

Published August 26, 2025

INSERM [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Press Releases

[Mpox: keep up to date with scientific news on the subject!](#)

29 Aug 2024

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News/Pubs/Press Releases

[Selected] 7 August 2025

ICH Q3E Draft Guideline is Available Now on the ICH Website

The ICH Q3E draft "Guideline for Extractables and Leachables" and supporting document has reached Step 2b of the ICH Process on 1 August 2025 and entered the Step 3 public consultation period.

Ongoing Public Consultations		^
>	M13B EWG Bioequivalence for Immediate-Release Solid Oral Dosage Forms	
>	Q1 EWG Stability Testing of Drug Substances and Drug Products	
>	M4Q(R2) EWG Revision of M4Q(R1)	
>	E21 EWG Inclusion of Pregnant and Breastfeeding Individuals in Clinical Trials	
>	Q3E EWG Guideline for Extractables and Leachables	
v	E20 EWG Adaptive Designs for Clinical Trials	

<https://www.ich.org/page/public-consultations>

E20 EWG Adaptive Designs for Clinical Trials

The E20 EWG is working on the development of a new E20 Guideline on "Adaptive Clinical Trials" on the design, conduct, analysis, and interpretation of adaptive clinical trials that provides a transparent and harmonized set of principles for the regulatory review of these studies in a global drug development program. These principles should also provide the flexibility to evaluate / discuss innovative approaches to clinical trial design throughout the development process.

Following MC approval in June 2025 the E20 Guideline title was changed to "*Adaptive Designs for Clinical Trials*"

Rapporteur: Dr. Gregory Levin (FDA, United States) Regulatory Chair: Dr. Christian Roes (EC, Europe)

Date of Step 2b: 25 June 2025 Status: Step 3

Public consultation dates:

ANMAT, Argentina - Deadline for comments by 8 October 2025

EC, Europe - Deadline for comments by 30 November 2025

Health Canada, Canada - Deadline for comments by 25 September

2025 MHRA, UK - Deadline for comments by 30 November 2025

Swissmedic, Switzerland - Deadline for comments by 30 November

2025 TFDA, Chinese Taipei - Deadline for comments by 13 October 2025

Nuffield Council on Bioethics [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.nuffieldbioethics.org/news>

News and blogs

No new digest content identified.

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and Human Rights

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

Activities and News

No new digest content identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 30 Aug 2025] <https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/>

Press Releases

World Medical Association Condemns Attack on Nasser Hospital in Gaza

27th August 2025

...WMA supports the statement issued today by the Israeli Medical Association (IMA). In its letter to the Chief of Staff of the Israel Defense Forces, the IMA reiterated the fundamental principle that all health institutions and medical personnel engaged solely in medical purposes are entitled to protection during armed conflict...

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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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:: 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 30 Aug 2025] <https://alleninstitute.org/news-press/>

Recent News No new digest content identified.

BMGF - Gates Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

<https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center> *Press Releases & Statements*

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Blue Meridian Partners is a pioneering philanthropic model for finding and funding scalable solutions to the problems that limit economic and social mobility for America's young people and families in poverty.

Updates

No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

<http://www.aecf.org/newsroom/Newsroom>
No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]
[https://www.clintonfoundation.org/media-center/ News & Updates Press](https://www.clintonfoundation.org/media-center/News%20&%20UpdatesPress) Aug 27 2025

Clinton Foundation, Clinton Presidential Library Award Research Fellowships

Funds support graduate students and academics who are researching lessons from the Clinton administration to help address the ...

Co Impact [to 30 Aug 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 30 Aug 2025]
[https://www.fordfoundation.org/news-and-stories/news-and-press/ News & Press](https://www.fordfoundation.org/news-and-stories/news-and-press/News%20&%20Press)
News 26 Aug. 2025

Ford Foundation Promotes Ximena Andión Ibañez to Regional Director for Mexico and Central America

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 30 Aug 2025]
https://www.getty.edu/news/all/Latest_

Getty Appoints Verena Lepper to Senior Curator of Antiquities

Prof. Dr. Lepper will oversee the Getty Villa Museum's antiquities collection, programming, and curatorial staff
Aug 25, 2025

GHIT Fund [to 30 Aug 2025]
[https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press ss Press Releases](https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press%20Press%20Releases)
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Grameen Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]
[https://grameenfoundation.org/stories/press-releases Press Releases](https://grameenfoundation.org/stories/press-releasesPress%20Releases)
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William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 30 Aug

2025] <http://hewlett.org/latest-updates/>
Latest Updates [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [to 30 Aug
2025] <https://www.hhmi.org/news>
Press Room
No new digest content identified.

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 30 Aug
2025] <http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news>
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 30 Aug
2025] <https://ikeafoundation.org/>
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 30 Aug
2025] <https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html> *Latest News and Highlights*
[Richard Besser, MD, on the Firing of CDC Director Susan Monarez](#)
Statement Aug-28-2025 |

PRINCETON—The White House yesterday fired CDC Director Susan Monarez after she refused to change vaccine policies and dismiss several members of her senior staff. Her firing led to the resignation of several other top agency officials. Dr. Richard Besser, president and CEO of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, released the following statement in response:

Firing Susan Monarez is another example of this administration's ruthless and destructive political agenda which continues to politicize public health. It will cost lives. This firing is designed to silence dissent across the government. With this firing and the resignation of other top CDC leaders, the agency loses its ability to provide the best health advice to the American people. That will also cost lives.

Dr. Monarez was one of the last lines of defense against this administration's reckless health agenda. She is a principled public servant and scientist, who put the health of the nation above politics, ideology, and her own job security. We applaud her refusal to toe Secretary Kennedy's line on vaccines. During her short tenure, she served our nation well. Yet, we know what will come next: an emboldened Secretary Kennedy will now issue the same reckless directives that Dr. Monarez rightly refused to rubber-stamp.

Everyone deserves the freedom and liberty to make decisions about their health based on the best available information. This administration continues to strip away those rights. I fear that Secretary Kennedy will continue his steady march to limit who can access which life-saving vaccines. Doing so will leave our entire country vulnerable—especially rural communities with limited access to healthcare, people with low incomes or who lack insurance, people with disabilities, and children.

We commend Senate HELP Committee Chair Bill Cassidy for his call for oversight. It is critical that Congress holds Secretary Kennedy accountable for these actions which imperil the health of the nation. RWJF will continue to speak out on the dangers of this administration's public health

agenda. Most of all, we remain dedicated to creating a future where health is no longer a privilege, but a right. That means ensuring all communities have the information, support, and opportunities they need to achieve their healthiest lives possible.

Kaiser Family Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

No new digest content identified.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

No new digest content identified.

MacArthur Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Latest News and

Content Grantee News

[Growth Grants for Independent Local News Publishers](#)

August 25, 2025

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Recent News

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[From embers to infernos: The science behind fast fires](#)

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[The Lawrence Hall of Science reimagines science education](#)

San Francisco Bay Area

2 days ago

[From the President: Continuity, adaptability, and the road ahead](#)

Open Society Foundations [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

m Newsroom

Press Release August 26, 2025

[Open Society does not pay people to protest or directly train or coordinate protestors.](#)

Open Society does not pay people to protest or directly train or coordinate protestors.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

The Packard Foundation Welcomes Dr. Sally M. Benson to Its Board of Trustees

August 27, 2025

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 30 Aug 2025]

[http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/about/news-](http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/about/news-room)
[room](http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/about/news-room) *News Room*

No new digest content identified.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

News and Announcements

Press Releases

Rockefeller Foundation Supports Discussion on Ethical Role of Governments, Businesses and Society in Addressing the Climate Emergency

August 22, 2025

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 30 Aug 2025]

[http://www.sciencephilanthropyalliance.org/what-we-](http://www.sciencephilanthropyalliance.org/what-we-do/news/)
[do/news/](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..."

News & Blog

Science Philanthropy Alliance Releases 2025 Indicators Report

August 25, 2025 – The Science Philanthropy Alliance is pleased to share its second Science Philanthropy Indicators Report, offering a detailed, data-driven look at how private giving is shaping the U.S. scientific landscape. Amid persistent uncertainty in federal funding, the digital report confirms two essential truths: philanthropy is now an indispensable part of the research enterprise, and yet it cannot replace robust, sustained public investment in science...

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 30 Aug 2025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [to 30 Aug 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 30 Aug 2025]

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

Press Room

August 25, 2025

Women Are Leaving the Work Force, Creating Risks and Opportunities for Nonprofits

Chronicle of Philanthropy

Council on Foundations [to 30 Aug

2025] <https://cof.org/news-blog>

News, Press Releases [Selected]

Press Release

Foundations' Endowed Portfolios Produced Double-Digit Investment Returns in 2024; Long-Term Return Data Also Positive

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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 16, 2025 Issue 3

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

Article

'Why Do You Ask?' Revisiting the Purpose of Eliciting the Public's Moral Judgments About Emerging Technologies

Jared N. Smith, Anne Barnhill, Julian Savulescu, S. Matthew Liao, Matthew S. McCoy & Jennifer Blumenthal-Barby

Pages: 127-139

Abstract

It is increasingly common for bioethicists to consult with the public to solicit their judgments and attitudes about ethical questions and issues, especially ones that arise with new and emerging technologies. However, it is not always clear what the purpose of this engagement is or ought to be: do bioethicists seek the input of the public to help them arrive at a morally correct justified policy position, or do they seek this input to help them shape and frame their already-established moral position, or

something else entirely? In this essay, we discuss four distinct possible functions of collecting moral judgments from the public: issue spotting, messaging for adherence and social stability, substantive moral guidance, and procedural fairness. For each function, we offer core examples from the literature before discussing the strengths and weaknesses attendant to each. We conclude with several preliminary questions bioethicists can ask themselves to clarify their own purpose for soliciting moral judgments from the public.

AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 27, Number 8: E541-627

<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/existential-health-care-ethics>

Existential Health Care Ethics

The American Medical Association declares that physicians will address “natural and man-made assaults on the health and wellbeing of humankind,” and that “[h]umanity is our patient.” The World Medical Association likewise pledges physicians “to the service of humanity.” This theme issue considers that, if these are to be more than mere assertions, we must think more powerfully than we have in the past about what continued human existence requires of global and domestic health care.

As an emerging area of moral philosophical inquiry concerned with human extinction, existential health care ethics considers the nature and scope of what health professionals and health professions are obliged to do—as individuals and collectives—to orient us to threats that undermine humanity’s survival. Such threats include familiar ones like critical resource depletion and weapons of mass destruction proliferation and less familiar ones like planetary-scale anthropogenic disequilibrium of Earth systems and dual (military and civilian) use of technology applications.

American Journal of Human Genetics

Aug 07, 2025 Volume 112 Issue 8 p1733-1980

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

This month in The Journal

Paul W. Hook, vSara B. Cullinan

The use of genomic testing for diagnostic purposes has increased as the cost of sequencing has decreased. However, genomic testing has been deployed mostly in pediatric settings with information on how it can benefit adult populations lacking. In this issue, Gold et al. assess the utility of sequencing for diagnostic purposes in a young adult (ages 18–40) population admitted to the intensive care unit (ICU). Through whole-exome sequencing, the authors discovered 24.4% of the 365 individuals in the cohort had a diagnostic variant.

American Journal of Infection Control August 2025 Volume 53 Issue 8 p809-918

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive

Medicine August 2025 Volume 69 Issue 2

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

August 2025 115(8)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 113 (2025): Issue 2 (Aug 2025)

<https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/113/1/tpmd.113.issue-2.xml>

[Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

August 2025 Volume 178, Issue 8

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Antiquity – A Review of World Archaeology

Issue 406 - August 2025

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

[New edition; 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 345 August 2025

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/345/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource

Allocation [http://resource-](http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/)

[allocation.biomedcentral.com/](http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/) (Accessed 30 Aug 2025)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

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

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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>

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BMC Research Notes

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

t (Accessed 30 Aug 2025)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

August 2025 - Volume 30 - 4

<https://ebm.bmj.com/content/30/>

4 [Reviewed earlier]

BMJ Global Health

August 2025 - Volume 10 - Suppl 5

https://gh.bmj.com/content/10/Suppl_5

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

DIGITAL MAGAZINE - July 2025

<https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2025-07/>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 103, Number 8, August 2025, 465-516

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

/ [Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 51, Issue 4 July 2025

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

t [Reviewed earlier]

Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal

Volume 163 May 2025

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/child-abuse-and-neglect/vol/163/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 118, Issue 3 Pages: 521-745 September 2025

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

nt [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

August 2025 Volume 47 Issue 8 p533-662

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Trials

Volume 22 Issue 4, August 2025

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/22/4>

Articles

History

[Military influences on the evolution of clinical trials throughout history](#)

Kamil Malshy, et al.

Abstract

Clinical trials of drugs, procedures, and other therapies play a crucial role in advancing medical science by evaluating the safety, efficacy, and optimal use of medical interventions. The design and implementation of these trials have evolved significantly over time, reflecting advancements in medicine, ethics, and methodology. Early historical examples, such as King Nebuchadnezzar II's and his captives' dietary experiment and Ambroise Paré's treatment of gunshot wounds, laid some foundational principles of trial design. The momentum of clinical trial development increased notably with James Lind's 1747

trial for scurvy and continued to progress during World War I with innovations in blood transfusion techniques. World War II (WWII) marked a pivotal moment with breakthroughs in oncology, including the development of the first modern chemotherapeutic agents derived from mustard gas and the introduction of the randomized controlled trial, credited to British epidemiologist Austin Bradford Hill, which revolutionized trial design. More recent conflicts, such as those in Vietnam, Iraq, and Afghanistan, have driven advancements in trauma care, heroin addiction treatment, and hemorrhage management. In response to historical abuses committed by the Nazis during WWII, the evolution of clinical trials has increasingly emphasized ethical standards, particularly informed consent, starting with the Doctors' Trial and the Nuremberg Code. This article discusses how military needs and wartime innovations have shaped modern clinical research, highlighting the interplay between military imperatives and medical progress. Ultimately, clinical trials play an essential role in advancing medical science and improving patient outcomes.

Conflict and Health

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

[Accessed 30 Aug 2025]

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Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 155 August 2025

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/155/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

The CRISPR Journal

Volume 8, Issue 4 / August 2025

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/8/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Medical Research and Opinion

Volume 41, Issue 3 2025

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Current Protocols in Human Genetics

<https://currentprotocols.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/1934825>

8 [Accessed 30 Aug 2025]

[No new digest content identified]

Developing World Bioethics

Volume 25, Issue 2 Pages: 81-163 June 2025

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 35, Issue 5, 2025

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/35/5?nav=tocList>
[Reviewed earlier]

Development Policy Review

Volume 43, Issue 5 September 2025

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677679/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 19 - 2025

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

Disasters

Volume 49, Issue 3 July 2025

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 26 Issue 16 22 August 2025

<https://www.embopress.org/toc/14693178/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 31, Number 9—September 2025

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

[Chagas Disease, an Endemic Disease in the United States](#)

N. L. Beatty et al.

Epidemics

Volume 51 June 2025

[https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/51/suppl/](https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/51/suppl/C)
C [Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 153 - 2025

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

Volume 47, Issue 4 Pages: 1-17 July–August 2025

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

Sharing aggregate results :: Consent and health data

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs

Volume 39 - Issue 1 - Spring 2025

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

[Reviewed earlier]

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 35, Issue 3, June 2025

[https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/35/](https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/35/3)

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Food Policy

Volume 132 April 2025

[https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-](https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/132/suppl/C)

[policy/vol/132/suppl/C](https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/132/suppl/C) [Reviewed earlier]

Food Security

Volume 17, Issue 2 April 2025

[https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/17-](https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/17-2)

[2](https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/17-2) [Reviewed earlier]

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 75 May 2025

[https://www.fmreview.org/financing-displacement-](https://www.fmreview.org/financing-displacement-response/)
[response/](https://www.fmreview.org/financing-displacement-response/)

Dangerous journeys: Saving lives and responding to missing migrants and refugees

Dangerous journeys are taken every day by refugees and other migrants, often with tragic consequences. This issue explores how more lives can be saved on land and sea and how disappearances can be prevented or resolved. Articles highlight the growing constraints on search and rescue through criminalisation and 'bureaucratisation'; how rescue operates in different locations – from the mountains to the desert; the role of high-level diplomacy and regional cooperation in preventing deaths and disappearances and on-the-ground approaches to identification; the particular perils of new migration routes – and more.

Foreign Affairs

July/August 2025 Volume 104, Number 4

<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/issues/2025/104/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 52, 2025 - Issue 2

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

The Rebirth of the Global South: Geopolitics, Imageries, and Developmental Realities

[Reviewed earlier]

Frontiers in Genetics

<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/genetics>

s [Accessed 30 Aug 2025]

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Frontiers in Medicine

<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/medicine/volumes?volume-id=1463>

[Accessed 30 Aug 2025]

Original Research

Accepted on 28 Aug 2025

Harmonizing Health: A Global Analysis of Pharmaceutical Regulatory activities by international regulatory organizations

Agnès Dangy-Caye, et al.

Frontiers in Medicine

doi 10.3389/fmed.2025.1636269

This study demonstrates the role of six international organizations ICH, WHO, PIC/S, IPRP, ICMRA and IMDRF in shaping global health policies and advancing pharmaceutical progress. These six key organizations have been selected based on three criteria: focus on healthcare regulation, international scope, and no geographic restriction on membership. This analysis aimed to map the complementarity of these organizations' activities. For this purpose, a mapping of activities was performed, which identified ten domains: clinical, convergence and reliance, digital, generics & biosimilars, innovative therapies, medical devices, nonclinical, pharmacovigilance, public health, and quality. Five main types of outputs were also identified: collaborative work, guidance, information, standards and norms, and training. Key takeaways show that the most active domains among international regulatory organizations are quality, public health, convergence and reliance, and pharmacovigilance. But emerging priorities, such as digital health and innovative therapies, are also captured, demonstrating the regulatory framework is constantly evolving...

Editorial Published on 12 Aug 2025

Editorial: Regulatory science and meta science as components of regulation of medical products and practices

Barbara K. Redman, Christine Gispen-de Wied, Thalia Arawi

Frontiers in Medicine

doi 10.3389/fmed.2025.1664402

Gene Therapy – Nature

Volume 32 Issue 4, July 2025

<https://www.nature.com/gt/volumes/32/issues/4>

[Reviewed earlier]

Genetics in Medicines

Volume 27, Issue 6 June 2025

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/genetics-in-medicine/vol/27/issue/65> [Reviewed earlier]

Genome Medicine

<https://genomemedicine.biomedcentral.com/articles> [Accessed 30 Aug 2025]
[No new digest content identified]

Geoheritage

Volume 17, Issue 1 March 2025

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/volumes-and-issues/17-1> Contents
[Reviewed earlier]

Global Health Action

Volume 18, Issue 1 (2025)

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

Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP) August 2025 | Volume 13 | Number 1

<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>
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Global Public Health

Volume 20, Issue 1 (2025)

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

<http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/>
[Accessed 30 Aug 2025]
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The Hastings Center Report

Volume 54, Issue 6 2025

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/1552146x/2024/54/6>

The Hastings Center Report explores the ethical, legal, and social issues in medicine, health care, public

health, and the life sciences.

[Reviewed earlier]

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 20 - Issue 2 - April 2025

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

Special issue on Managed Competition

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 40, Issue 6, July 2025

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/40/>

6 [Reviewed earlier]

Health Research Policy and Systems

[http://www.health-policy-](http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content)

[systems.com/content](http://www.health-policy-systems.com/content) [Accessed 30 Aug

2025]

[No new digest content identified]

Human Gene Therapy

Volume 36, Issue 15-16 / August 2025

<https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/hum/36/15-16>

Special Issue on Gene Therapy for Diseases of the Respiratory System

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Human Rights Quarterly

Volume 47, Number 2, May

2025

<https://muse.jhu.edu/issue/546>

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Humanitarian Practice Network

<https://odihpn.org/>

[Accessed 30 Aug 2025]

Featured Publications

[Privacy in peril: safeguarding digital data in humanitarian blockchain initiatives](#)

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Alex Bornstein, Elise Hamdon

Implementation Research and Practice

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

[Accessed 30 Aug 2025]

[No new digest content identified]

Infectious Agents and Cancer

<http://www.infectagentscancer.com/> [Accessed 30 Aug 2025]

[No new digest content identified]

Infectious Diseases of Poverty

<http://www.idpjournals.com/content/> [Accessed 30 Aug 2025]

[No new digest content identified]

International Health

Volume 17, Issue 4, July 2025

<https://academic.oup.com/inthealth/issue/17/4>

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International Human Rights Law Review

Volume 14 (2025): Issue 1 (Jun 2025)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/hrlr/14/1/hrlr.14.issue-1.xml> [Reviewed earlier]

The International Journal of Children's Rights

Volume 33 (2025): Issue 1 (Mar 2025)

<https://brill.com/view/journals/chil/33/1/chil.33.issue-1.xml> *Table of Contents*

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International Journal of Community Medicine and Public Health

Vol. 12 No. 9 (2025): September 2025

<https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/128>

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International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction

Volume 128 1 October 2025

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-journal-of-disaster-risk-reduction/vol/128/suppl/C>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 54, Issue 3, June 2025

<https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/54/3>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Heritage

Studies Volume 31, 2025 Issue 5

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

nt [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 18 Issue 2 2025

<https://www.emerald.com/insight/publication/issn/2056-4902/vol/18/iss/2> *Table of contents*

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International Migration Review

Volume 59 Issue 2, June 2025

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

[Reviewed earlier]

International Review of Education – Journal of Lifelong

Learning Volume 71, Issue 2 April 2025

<https://link.springer.com/journal/11159/volumes-and-issues/71-1>

[Reviewed earlier]

International Review of the Red Cross

IRRC No. 928 June 2025

<https://international-review.icrc.org/reviews/irrc-no-928-the-military>

The Military

17 articles

International humanitarian law (IHL) represents a balancing of priorities that have often been seen as being in tension: military necessity, on the one hand, and considerations of humanity, on the other.

Inherent in this balancing act is the idea that military necessity and humanitarian imperatives are equally valid priorities that can be accommodated under the same legal framework to achieve related goals, allowing the military to fight effectively while avoiding needless suffering and destruction.

Accordingly, the negotiation of IHL treaties involves diplomats, representatives of the humanitarian community, and the armed forces working together to find common ground. By working together, the armed forces and the humanitarian community have crafted a body of law that effectively balances off- competing priorities and optimizes military necessity and humanitarian considerations. While many analyze military decision-making from outside the ranks of States' armed forces, ultimately, the ones applying IHL during real-life battlefield situations are the decision-makers inside these structures. Yet, for various reasons, they express themselves less publicly on matters of IHL in academic journals, including the Review. With the articles selected for this issue, the Review has

created a space to put the spotlight on States' armed forces so as to hear from them— and about them first-hand, from a contemporary perspective. Through this, the Review sincerely hopes that military lawyers and operators will more often find their way to our journal's pages in the future, so as to share their experiences with its readers around the world on topics of interest to both the humanitarian and military communities.

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Technology Vol. XLI, No. 2,

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Preparing for the Bioconvergence

How can Americans “engage with biotechnology the same way they do with cell phones and computers”? In an interview for the Summer 2025 issue, Senator Todd Young explains why the emerging bioeconomy should be understood as an urgent opportunity as well as a potential military and security vulnerability. As chair of the National Security Commission on the Emerging Bioeconomy, Young is optimistic that both parties are willing to foster the bioindustries of the future in order to create “a more informed, empowered, and resilient society capable of leveraging science and technology to solve a wide range of global challenges.”

JAMA

August 26, 2025, Vol 334, No. 8, Pages 653-746

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Research Letter

Trends in County-Level MMR Vaccination Coverage in Children in the United States

Ensheng Dong, PhD; Samee Saiyed, MSE; Andreas Nearchou, MSE; et al.

JAMA. 2025;334(8):730-732. doi:10.1001/jama.2025.8952

This study examines county-level vaccination rates for children from 2017 to 2024 for all US states.

Childhood vaccination has substantially reduced the incidence of vaccine-preventable diseases and saved countless children's lives worldwide.¹ The US childhood vaccination program is estimated to have prevented more than 24 million cases of vaccine-preventable diseases in 2019 alone.² Nonetheless, there is evidence of a US national-level decline in the childhood measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccination rate between 2019 and 2024 (Figure 1),³ and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has reported a resurgence of measles outbreaks,³ a sentinel indicator of childhood vaccine interruptions.⁴ As of May 14, 2025, 1001 confirmed measles cases have been reported by 31 jurisdictions (the most cases reported in the US in a single year in >3 decades, with the exception of 2019), with most occurring in unvaccinated children.³ If vaccination rates continue to decline, measles is likely to return to endemic levels in the US.⁵

Viewpoint

Changed Recommendations for COVID-19 Vaccines for Children and Pregnant WomenA Failure of Process, Policy, and Science

Lawrence O. Gostin, JD; Dorit Reiss, PhD; Paul A. Offit, MD

JAMA. 2025;334(8):663-664. doi:10.1001/jama.2025.10658

This Viewpoint discusses recent actions by Secretary of Health and Human Services Robert F. Kennedy Jr to rescind the recommendation for COVID-19 vaccines for healthy children and pregnant women, which goes against years of established processes for how vaccines are managed.

Professional Responsibility for COVID-19 Vaccination in Pregnancy

Amos Grünebaum, MD; Frank A. Chervenak, MD

JAMA. 2025;334(8):665-666. doi:10.1001/jama.2025.11328

This Viewpoint discusses how physicians should counsel patients on vaccine safety in the wake of the

US Department of Health and Human Services' decision to remove COVID-19 vaccinations as a recommended vaccine for children and pregnant women.

Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices at a Crossroads

Edwin J. Asturias, MD; Noel T. Brewer, PhD; Oliver Brooks, MD; et al.

JAMA. 2025;334(8):667-668. doi:10.1001/jama.2025.10776

In this Viewpoint, former members of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) caution that the sudden change in the ACIP may reverse the achievements of US immunization policy, including impeding access to lifesaving vaccines and putting US families at risk of dangerous and preventable illnesses.

Perspective

The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices—Legal Roles, Challenges, and Guardrails

C. Joseph Ross Daval, JD; Aaron S. Kesselheim, MD, JD, MPH

JAMA. 2025;334(8):669-671. doi:10.1001/jama.2025.11400

This Perspective offers an analysis of the legal foundations in the context of these and other challenges to the role of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

JAMA Health Forum

August 2025, Vol 6, No. 8

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The Value of Engagement and Transparency in Public Health Policymaking

Joshua M. Sharfstein, MD

JAMA Health Forum. 2025;6(8):e254252. doi:10.1001/jamahealthforum.2025.4252

This JAMA Forum discusses the importance of engagement and transparency in public health policy in the context of the US response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the recent dismissal of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

JAMA Pediatrics

August 2025, Vol 179, No. 8, Pages 814-932

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Viewpoint

Exception From Informed Consent in Pediatric Trials

Jay R. Malone, MD, PhD; Marissa Tremoglie-Barkowski, MS; Barbara A. Gaines, MD; et al.

JAMA Pediatr. 2025;179(8):815-816. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2025.1324

This Viewpoint explores the exception from informed consent mechanism in pediatric trials and why this approach is ethically justified and even necessary in pediatric trauma research when traditional consent is not feasible.

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Elyse O. Kharbanda

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Wenwen Gu, et al.

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Commentary

Shock Unleashed by Recent U.S. Administrative Actions Cannot Lead to Paralysis

Venkatraman Chandra-Mouli, Robert Wm. Blum, Luchuo Engelbert Bain

Published online: June 27, 2025

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[Corrado Piroddi](#) & [Ndidi Nwaneri](#)

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Comment

[The Lancet–World Conferences on Research Integrity Foundation Commission on Research Integrity](#)

Lex Bouter, Mai Har Sham, Sabine Kleinert

... Given the slow progress in strengthening research integrity and in changing the academic environment, together with emerging threats such as paper mills, generative AI, and political attacks on academic freedom, *The Lancet* and the World Conferences on Research Integrity Foundation (WCRIF) are initiating a Commission on research integrity. This Commission will take a multifactor and multistakeholder approach and will work towards innovative solutions regarding the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of the issues that threaten the quality and credibility of research. A diverse range of academic experts and professionals from funders and publishers will reflect on the issues at hand, review what is known, collect new data when needed, and formulate actionable recommendations for the main stakeholders. All stakeholders need to collaborate in fostering research integrity and the *Lancet*–WCRIF Commission will provide evidence-based suggestions for doing so.

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Editorial

Restoring dignity to the marginalised as sovereign knowers

The Lancet Global Health

Power imbalances persist in research, prioritising the experience and knowledge of those with social, political, and economic power while silencing or misrepresenting others. This dynamic—which is intensified in global health due to its focus on vulnerable groups—perpetuates false assumptions about the silenced groups, inevitably ending in harms like inefficient and unjust resource allocation. I

Increasingly, the field asks: how can we centralise the most relevant voices and employ their expertise to guide practice? This issue of *The Lancet Global Health* contains two papers that generate what we hope will become seminal frameworks on this crucial question.

But whose are the most relevant voices? To echo longstanding calls from feminist, Black, Indigenous, and low-income and middle-income country (LMIC) scholars, we believe that—when a marginalised population is being studied—the knowledge within that group should be centred and privileged at every research stage, from study design to use of the produced knowledge.

In their Health Policy, Alice Bayingana and colleagues synthesise literature on knowledge practices to identify expectations for global health research that can best respect the dignity of marginalised people. Dignity refers to the respect that is intrinsically due to every person. Bayingana and colleagues specifically speak on epistemic dignity: that is, respect for people as knowers.

They discuss four expectations: transparency (ie, consideration and declaration of researchers' own worldviews and those of the marginalised groups, especially if differing); non-extraction (ensuring knowledge production primarily benefits those under study and minimises costs and harms to them); democratisation (allowing those being studied to lead decisions on what, how, and to what end research is done on or with them); and transformation (making disruption of structural, upstream causes of the problems studied the goal of knowledge production rather than downstream inequities and resultant behaviours). The considerations raised in this paper should give everyone involved in the knowledge production cycle food for thought.

However, as raised by a Viewpoint in this issue, working to disrupt power imbalances from a position of relative power is not emotionally comfortable. As Katherine Collins, Kimberly Huyser, and Michelle Johnson-Jennings broach, non-indigenous researchers planning community-engaged research in Indigenous communities must respect that the Indigenous population has sovereignty in research and over any data generated. They outline important questions for any non-indigenous researcher to consider before embarking on a study in an Indigenous community, using an elegant metaphor of a canoe journey through Indigenous waters. Questions include how prepared the researcher is to relinquish academic freedoms when they clash with community priorities, and how likely they are to dedicate years to a project that might not yield typical academic rewards. This framework echoes that of Bayingana and colleagues in its stipulations that those from outside a community recognise that those within the community are the only true knowers; outsiders can bring skills and expertise but, ultimately, knowledge and agency should reside with the community...

Articles

The potential impact of reductions in international donor funding on tuberculosis in low-income and middle-income countries: a modelling study

Rebecca A Clark, et al.

The Vaccine Trust Framework: mixed-method development of a tool for understanding and quantifying trust in health systems and vaccines

Dan Hameiri Bowen, et al. for the ReD Trust Group

Health Policy

Dignity-based practice in global health research: a framework of expectations

Alice Bayingana, et al.

Summary

Global health research is generally done by researchers, whether locally or internationally, based in locations other than the study locations and by people with more power than the marginalised groups they research. It therefore has a tendency towards unjust practices that sideline, distort, or erase the knowledge and interpretations of the marginalised groups while favouring those of the researchers. To develop a framework of expectations for practices that respect the dignity of marginalised people, we sampled and synthesised complaints about knowledge practices in global health published in 12 journals from 2017 to 2023. We identified four sets of expectations—transparency, non-extraction, democratisation, and transformation—across eight stages of research: funding decisions, framing of issues and posing of research questions, ethics approval, data collection, data analysis and interpretation, immediate or direct use of data and knowledge produced, dissemination of findings, and long-term or indirect use of data and knowledge produced. These expectations affirm the dignity of marginalised groups as knowers, sense-makers of knowledge, and seekers of transformational change.

Viewpoint

Planning for your CANOE (Circumspect Awareness and Navigation of Outcomes and Expectations) journey in community-engaged research with Indigenous communities

Katherine A Collins, Kimberly R Huyser, Michelle Johnson-Jennings

National research ecosystems: protecting populations and building health security worldwide

Elizabeth S Higgs, Jeremy Farrar, et al.

Summary

The global clinical research enterprise remains fundamentally misaligned with worldwide disease burden and public health needs, despite corrective efforts in recent years. Although clinical trials deliver important medical advances that benefit populations globally, research capabilities and trials are concentrated in high-income countries, which means that populations with the heaviest disease burdens (often in low-income and middle-income countries) participate in relatively few trials addressing their needs—infectious and non-communicable diseases alike. This imbalance leaves knowledge gaps in treating the most prevalent diseases and leaves the world dangerously unprepared for emerging threats. In this Viewpoint, we advance a vision of strong national research ecosystems that prioritise national and regional health needs, are integrated into health systems for rapid incorporation of research results into health care, and are prepared to pivot to emergency research when needed. This vision and the investment it requires—both domestic and international—are essential to improving and protecting population health.

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[Hazardous science that helps to save and improve lives needs more support](#)

Research into the growing environmental problem of urban gullies highlights the challenging conditions under which many socially important studies are done.

Obituary 21 Aug 2025

[David Nabarro obituary: global-health leader who fought malnutrition, malaria, Ebola and COVID-19](#)

Persuasive physician who brought research evidence to the heart of global policy decisions.

Anthony Costello

Nature Biotechnology

Volume 43 Issue 7, July 2025

<https://www.nature.com/nbt/volumes/43/issues/7>

Editorial 15 Jul 2025

[Clinical trials gain intelligence](#)

As governments around the world begin to embrace artificial intelligence in healthcare, clinical trials are entering a new phase — faster, smarter and more inclusive. With regulatory momentum building to adapt new technologies, artificial intelligence is no longer just a promise for the future but a powerful tool reshaping how trials are designed, conducted and analyzed today.

Comment 15 Jul 2025

Platform solutions for commercial challenges to expanding patient access and making gene editing sustainable

Platform-based approaches for gene-editing therapies could markedly improve development efficiency, reduce costs and increase access for patients with rare diseases. Although gene editing has shown remarkable clinical success for a small number of Mendelian disease indications, broader adoption faces substantial hurdles. We propose strategies to overcome these challenges through modular platforms for nonclinical and chemistry, manufacturing and controls (CMC) data reuse, risk-based manufacturing quality, and streamlined umbrella clinical trials for regulatory efficiency and accelerated approval. Sadik H. Kassim, Fyodor Urnov, Vanessa Almendro-Navarro

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Review Article 27 Jun 2025

How and when organisms edit their own genomes

This Review describes the changes that some organisms make to their own DNA sequences, linking many to common genetic mechanisms built around canonical DNA repair and to a set of functional circumstances that often involve host–pathogen conflicts. Vincent C. T. Hanlon, Alex Cagan, Sebastian Eves-van den Akker

Nature Human Behaviour

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Comment 29 May 2025

A call for psychological and behavioural science on degrowth

Degrowth is a socioeconomic paradigm that prioritizes planetary health and human wellbeing through a democratically planned reduction of unnecessary production and consumption. We urge psychological and behavioural scientists to study this important topic and suggest ways to develop an integrated research agenda for degrowth. Dario Krpan, Frédéric Basso, Giorgos Kallis

Nature Medicine

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Turning Points 24 Jul 2025

Rethinking chemotherapy as an indirect vaccine

Laurence Zitvogel reflects on the essential contribution of the immune system to the efficacy of anticancer chemotherapy.

Comment

How to sustain a public-health genomics and bioinformatics workforce in Africa

African countries have made progress in expanding their genomics and bioinformatics workforces for public health, yet several barriers pose risks to workforce retention and long-term sustainability.

Harris Onywera, Nicola Mulder, Sofonias K. Tessema

Articles

[The Global Neurodegeneration Proteomics Consortium: biomarker and drug target discovery for common neurodegenerative diseases and aging](#)

The largest harmonized proteomic dataset of plasma, serum and cerebrospinal fluid samples across major neurodegenerative diseases reveals both disease-specific and transdiagnostic proteomic signatures, including a robust plasma profile associated with the APOEε4 genotype.
Farhad Imam, Rowan Saloner, Simon Lovestone

Article Open Access 25 Jun 2025

[Efficacy, public health impact and optimal use of the Takeda dengue vaccine](#)

Using mathematical models calibrated to clinical trial results on vaccine efficacy, this study projects the potential impact of the vaccine at population level, showing the conditions for it to be effective in reducing cases and hospitalizations and helping to design vaccination campaigns.
Bethan Cracknell Daniels, Neil M. Ferguson, Ilaria Dorigatti

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[Anti-sporozoite monoclonal antibody for malaria prevention: secondary efficacy outcome of a phase 2 randomized trial](#)

A single dose of the anti-sporozoite monoclonal antibody CIS43LS can achieve durable, sterile protection against Plasmodium falciparum infection.
Jeff Skinner, Kassoum Kayentao, Peter D. Crompton

Nature Reviews Drug Discovery

Volume 24 Issue 8, August 2025

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Comment 24 Mar 2025

[New approach methodologies: EU regulatory horizons](#)

New approach methodologies (NAMs) have the potential to progressively transform medicines development by reducing reliance on animal testing while increasing the relevance of nonclinical data to patients. However, achieving regulatory acceptance of NAMs demands enhanced collaboration, clear guidance and continuous, science-based adaptation of the regulatory environment to accommodate emerging innovation.

Mariana Edwards, Oriane Blanquie, Falk Ehmann

Review Article 04 Apr 2025

[Biomarker-guided decision making in clinical drug development for neurodegenerative disorders](#)

An increasing array of biomarkers available in blood, cerebrospinal fluid and through imaging are providing valuable proxies of disease processes in neurodegenerative disorders (NDDs). In their Review, Cummings and co-authors discuss the implementation of biomarkers in clinical trials across various NDDs, focusing on the context of use, to help expedite and de-risk drug development.
Jeffrey L. Cummings, Charlotte E. Teunissen, Philip Scheltens

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Adoption of pandemic treaty is historic: Compliance and accountability must now follow

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Climate variability amplifies the need for vector-borne disease outbreak preparedness

In locations that do not currently experience vector-borne disease (VBD) outbreaks but may be at risk

under climate change, modeling future climate suitability for transmission is important for outbreak preparedness. Uncertainty in the future climate ...
William S. Hart, James W. Hurrell, [...]Robin N. Thompson

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Read about how community-based organizations around the world are healing the social fragmentation behind mass atrocities, genocide, and identity-based violence; how a small farm outside Dallas demonstrated how place-based neighborhood transformation can succeed; how nonprofit leaders can use programmatic asset transfers for greater social impact; how one Latin American organization repeatedly pivoted over 40 years to better serve the region's small businesses; and other topics in the Spring 2025 issue of *Stanford Social Innovation Review*.

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Robert Floyd

By prohibiting nuclear test explosions, the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty transformed decades of aspiration into a shared commitment.

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World Heritage

Each issue of the World Heritage magazine goes beyond a visual account of cultural and natural sites: it invites readers to understand their significance and their uniqueness and to take action for their long-term protection. Through its articles, images and testimonies, the magazine embodies UNESCO's commitment to making World Heritage a lever for resilience, intercultural dialogue and peace.

Two of UNESCO's strategic priorities are highlighted in this new issue: the revitalisation of heritage in conflict-affected areas and the improvement of Africa's representation on the World Heritage List. In Iraq, the 'Revive the Spirit of Mosul' initiative fully reflects this approach. The reconstruction of Al-Nouri

Mosque, its Al-Hadba Minaret, and the churches of Al-Tahera and Al-Saa'a goes beyond restoring monuments – it contributes to the recovery of communities, strengthens the social fabric, and fosters renewed hope for peaceful coexistence and lasting reconciliation.

Guided by the same conviction, UNESCO is working to fully recognise the richness and diversity of African heritage on the World Heritage List by supporting African States in implementing sustainable management and promotion strategies, based on the active involvement of communities. Thanks to this joint mobilisation, several States previously unrepresented have been able to submit their first nomination, while a new generation of African heritage professionals, trained by UNESCO and its partners, is helping to sustain these efforts...

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[Evolving Collective Cognition in Human-Agent Hybrid Societies: How Agents Form Stances and Boundaries](#)

[Hanzhong Zhang](#), [Muhua Huang](#), [Jindong Wang](#)

Large language models have been widely used to simulate credible human social behaviors. However, it remains unclear whether these models can demonstrate stable capacities for stance formation and identity negotiation in complex interactions, as well as how they respond to human interventions. We propose a computational multi-agent society experiment framework that integrates generative agent-based modeling with virtual ethnographic methods to investigate how group stance differentiation and social boundary formation emerge in human-agent hybrid societies. Across three studies, we find that agents exhibit endogenous stances, independent of their preset identities, and display distinct tonal preferences and response patterns to different discourse strategies. Furthermore, through language interaction, agents actively dismantle existing identity-based power structures and reconstruct self-organized community boundaries based on these stances. Our findings suggest that preset identities do not rigidly determine the agents' social structures. For human researchers to effectively intervene in collective cognition, attention must be paid to the endogenous mechanisms and interactional dynamics within the agents' language networks. These insights provide a theoretical foundation for using generative AI in modeling group social dynamics and studying human-agent collaboration.

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[Call for written submissions on the draft guidelines on addressing multiple and intersectional forms of discrimination against women and girls with disabilities](#) UN - Treaty bodies **Deadline: 15 September 2025**

Purpose:

To further guide states parties and other duty bearers to address the implementation gaps and to collect a repository of good practices in addressing multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination against women and girls with disabilities.

Background

Since it was established, in 2009, the Committee has considered more than 150 reports submitted by States parties to the Convention. The Committee has identified the following gaps in the implementation of article 5 (non-discrimination), article 6 (women with disabilities) and article 16 (protection against violence, exploitation and abuse):

- Limited understanding and awareness about the concept of multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination against women and girls with disabilities.
- Anti-discrimination legislative and policy frameworks do not often recognize multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination against women and girls with disabilities.
- Disaggregated data is not collected regularly and systematically, limiting the possibilities for influencing action-oriented policies and strategies on addressing multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination.
- Limited identification of instances of multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination against women, limited availability of redress mechanisms and broad impunity of perpetrators.
- Limited understanding about gender-based violence and disability-based violence as forms of discrimination.

[Call for input – Unilateral Coercive Measures and Humanitarian Action](#)

UNHCHR - Issued by Special Rapporteur on unilateral coercive measures

Deadline: 20 October 2025

Purpose:

The Special Rapporteur would like to kindly invite relevant stakeholders, including States, international and regional organisations (incl. their agencies and organs), national human rights institutions, civil society organisations, lawyers and academia to submit additional input, comments and suggestions for

the finalisation of the document.

Background”

Pursuant to Human Rights Council resolutions 27/21 and 54/15, the Special Rapporteur on the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights is requested, in fulfilling her mandate, to inter alia gather all information relevant to the negative impact of unilateral coercive measures on the enjoyment of human rights; to study relevant trends, developments and challenges; and to make guidelines and recommendations on ways and means to prevent, minimize and redress their adverse impact on human rights.

In several of her thematic reports to the UN Human Rights Council and the UN General Assembly and communications to state and non-state actors, and in her latest Guiding Principles on Sanctions, Business and Human Rights and Commentary thereto, the Special Rapporteur has described how unilateral coercive measures in their different forms, including unilateral economic, financial, trade sanctions, both primary and secondary ones, as well as other sanctions-related restrictions, have adversely impacted the timely and effective delivery of humanitarian assistance to populations in need in sanctioned countries and regions. Complex, overlapping and expanded frameworks of unilateral sanctions, with their multifaceted restrictions and prohibitions, create a serious “chilling effect”, exacerbate fear and uncertainty among humanitarian and other actors, thus undermining any meaningful engagement with sanctioned countries and regions, entities, businesses or persons, independently of the type or sector of activity...

Call for input for EMRTD study "Artificial Intelligence, Cultural Rights, and the Right to Development"

Issued by UN Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development **Deadline: 30 November 2025**

Purpose:

To inform the drafting of EMRTD’s thematic study on "Artificial Intelligence (AI), Cultural Rights, and the Right to Development." This study is part of the Mechanism’s broader mandate to examine emerging global challenges that impact the realization of the right to development.

Background

The Human Rights Council, in its resolution 45/6, welcomed the first report (A/HRC/45/29) of the Expert Mechanism on the Right to Development, and requested it to implement the recommendations contained therein, including the preparation and submission to the Council thematic studies in the discharge of Expert Mechanism’s mandate. At its 8th session, the EMRTD outlined the thematic studies that it planned to submit to the Human Rights Council during the 2024-2026 cycle, including a study addressing artificial intelligence, regulation and the right to development.

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