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

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Week in Review

A highly selective capture of strategic developments, research, commentary, analysis and announcements spanning Human Rights Action, Humanitarian Response, Health, Education, 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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Iran

[Emergency UN Security Council Meeting]

[The situation in the Middle East - Security Council, 10112th meeting \[Iran\]](#)

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South Sudan

[Funding Gaps Threaten Lives of Nearly 2 Million Displaced in South Sudan](#)

Geneva/Juba, 25 February 2026 – Critical funding shortfalls are putting the lives of over 1.9 million displaced people in South Sudan at risk, as humanitarian needs continue to outpace available resources, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) warned today.

South Sudan remains one of the world’s most displacement-affected countries, with nearly 10 million people in need of humanitarian assistance. Under the 2026 Response Plan, IOM faces a funding gap of USD 29 million for its humanitarian response in South Sudan. With IOM’s support, alongside UN, development and peace partners, the country is piloting government-led solutions under the UN Secretary-General’s Action Agenda on Internal Displacement.

“South Sudan is carrying an extraordinary burden, and funding shortfalls risk undermining progress toward durable solutions for millions,” said IOM Deputy Director General for Operations, Ugochi Daniels, during her visit. “Across the country, displaced families and host communities are trying to rebuild their lives, but the strain is real. Without sustained support and progress toward peace, these communities could face renewed instability and displacement.”...

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Sudan

[Public Health Situation Analysis - Sudan Conflict and Complex Emergency](#)

25 February 2026

Overview

After more than two and a half years of the conflict, Sudan remains locked in a humanitarian catastrophe of staggering dimensions. In 2026, 33.7 million people require assistance. The humanitarian crisis has led to a substantial health crisis, with 21.0 million people requiring assistance and 6.6 million people primarily targeted for health support.

An estimated 11.5 million people have been forcibly displaced, including 7.2 million newly displaced internally and over 4.2 million refugees, asylum seekers, and returnees who have

crossed Sudan's borders into neighbouring countries. In Khartoum and areas in the east in which relative stability is emerging, millions of people are returning to badly damaged cities and towns littered with explosive remnants of war, and in which basic services have been decimated.



Sudan Conflict and Complex Emergency

Date: 06 January 2026

Public Health Situation Analysis (PHSA)

This is the fourth WHO PHSA on the Sudan crisis. This updates the March 2025 version.

Typologies of emergency	Main health threats	WHO grade	Security level (UNDSS) ¹	INFORM (2025) ²
 Conflict	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Malnutrition • Trauma and injury • Cholera and acute watery diarrhoea • Dengue • Malaria • Measles • Non-communicable diseases • Mental health • Protection (including gender-based violence) 	Grade 3 (IASC System-Wide Scale-Up activated by December 2025)	Substantial (4/6): Darfur, Khartoum, Aj Jazirah, Northern Kordofan & Kosti Moderate (3/6): Northern Sudan, Red Sea, Southeast Sudan, Southern Kordofan	Risk Index (0-10): 7.8 (Very High) Global Ranking (1-191 countries): 1
 Food Security				
 Displacement				
 Epidemics				

https://cdn.who.int/media/docs/default-source/documents/emergency-care/phsa-sudan-conflict-and-complex-emergency.pdf?sfvrsn=ffbbd08_1&download=true

Hunger and acute food insecurity have spread during the ongoing lean season. **More than 21.2 million people are experiencing acute food insecurity.** Disruptions to food supply chains and agricultural production, as well as delays and administrative challenges in delivering aid, have resulted in widespread hunger and malnutrition, with some areas, including El Fasher (North Darfur) and Kadugli (South Kordofan), facing conditions of Integrated Phase Classification Phase 5 (IPC Phase 5), the highest level. The latest nutrition survey in Um Baru (North Darfur) recorded a Global Acute Malnutrition rate of 53%, of which 35% were classified as Severe Acute Malnutrition. Coupled with high rates of malnutrition, an overstretched health system and low immunization coverage, this increases the risk of disease outbreaks and their catastrophic impacts.

Over 40 000 injuries have been reported amid the ongoing conflict. Civilians continue to be killed, injured and displaced in ongoing attacks in the Darfur and Kordofan regions. Sexual violence remains pervasive. Insecurity Insight has identified 671 attacks on Sudan's health care system since fighting started in April 2023. Between 15 April 2023 and 9 December 2025, at least 173 health workers have been killed, and 83 have been arrested. Through WHO's Surveillance System for Attacks on Health Care (SSA), 201 attacks with 1858 deaths and 490 injuries have been formally validated between 15

April 2023 and 31 December 2025, and more than 1600 deaths have been recorded in 2025. Many health facilities have been destroyed, looted, or are functioning with severe shortages of staff, medicines, vaccines, equipment, and supplies.

Multiple disease outbreaks are occurring simultaneously, including cholera, dengue, malaria, measles, hepatitis E, and diphtheria. WHO and its partners have revamped efforts to strengthen surveillance, rapid response capacity, and vaccination campaigns. However, resources remain stretched, both in terms of human capacity and funding. Sudan faces a disrupted health system, and insecurity, displacement, and limited access to health products, with challenges in basic infrastructure, continue to pose enormous challenges to delivering health care across the country. The siege of El Fasher for over 18 months with severe restrictions on movement, access to food, water, and medical care in El Fasher have resulted in civilians, including large numbers of children, experiencing repeated bombardment and deteriorating living conditions, which were compounded by the heavy rainfall and other climatic events, severely disrupting communication and connectivity. Following the capture of the city, massive displacements to nearby areas have led to pressures for the suboptimal resources to areas of displacement. El Fasher has since remained greatly cut off from humanitarian interventions- with conditions expected to have worsened with dire need for humanitarian access...

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[Entering Fourth Year, Sudan's Brutal Civil War Hits 'Horrific Milestone', Speakers Tell Security Council, Citing Rising Sexual Violence, Mass Atrocities](#)

19 February 2026 SC/16300

As Sudan marks "1,000 days of a brutal war," the Security Council heard today that women and girls are enduring horrific sexual violence, as a civil society briefer issued a blunt warning: "Unless you act now, you will have more blood on your hands."

"And as we near the fourth year of the war, the fighting continues to expand," warned Rosemary DiCarlo, Under-Secretary-General for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs, in her briefing to the 15-member Council today. She described a conflict marked by "staggering violence and unimaginable suffering" and total impunity for the perpetrators of a long list of atrocities and war crimes that has nearly destroyed Africa's third-largest country...

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Global Philanthropy

Editor's Note:

We have initiated monitoring of the Novo Nordisk Foundation in our *Foundation/Major Donor Watch* section, which now includes the ten largest foundations globally.

[Novo Nordisk Foundation – DKK 11.8 billion \(€1.6 billion\) awarded to benefit people and the planet in 2025](#)

February 25th, 2026

In 2025, the Novo Nordisk Foundation awarded DKK 11.8 billion (€1.6 billion) to support more than 2,200 projects aimed at improving people's health and the sustainability of society and the planet.

The projects supported cover the full range of the Foundation's grant-giving areas, including **key topics such as tackling cardiometabolic diseases, addressing antimicrobial resistance, supporting the development of more resilient and climate-friendly food systems, and harnessing the potential of new technologies.**

"2025 was an extraordinary year for the Novo Nordisk Foundation as we increased our support of research, education, and innovation that can strengthen societies and improve lives. We do this in close partnership with people and organisations who share our vision of a healthier future for people and the planet," said Mads Krogsgaard Thomsen, CEO of the Novo Nordisk Foundation...

Despite turbulent times in many parts of the world, **we will continue to support both long-term initiatives and projects that can help turn scientific insight into more immediate impact for the benefit of society."**

The DKK 11.8 billion awarded in 2025 is the largest amount ever awarded by the Foundation in a single year, surpassing the DKK 9.1 billion (€1.21 billion) awarded in 2023 and the DKK 10.1 billion (€1.35 billion) in 2024.

Highlights from 2025

:: The Foundation entered into a strategic framework agreement with the World Health Organization, committing up to DKK 380 million over the next four years. Efforts will focus on addressing the growing burden of non-communicable diseases (NCDs) with emphasis on cardiometabolic diseases, critical gaps in the health workforce, inequity in access to quality NCD services as well as antimicrobial resistance.

:: The Foundation renewed the Acetate Consortium for another two years in collaboration with the Gates Foundation, committing DKK 162 million in joint funding. The initiative aims to mitigate food insecurity and climate change by **developing new food prototypes using CO₂ as raw material.**

:: To strengthen the Nordic region's position in quantum technology and research, the Foundation also invested a total of DKK 600 million together with the Export and Investment Fund of Denmark (EIFO) in the establishment of QuNorth, a new initiative with the mission of acquiring and operating the world's most powerful commercial quantum computer.

Read more about our work in 2025 in our [Year in Review](#).



Global Waste Trafficking

[Waste trafficking driving toxic pollution and harming public health, says UNODC](#)

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

25 February 2026

Illegal waste flows are causing economic, public health and environmental damage, especially in low-income countries, while a patchwork of regulations enables criminals to evade punishment, according to a new analysis from the UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) released today.

In "Waste Crimes and Trafficking", a new installment of the [Global Analysis on Crimes that Affect the Environment](#), **UNODC examines the five main illegal waste trafficking categories: electrical/electronic waste (e-waste), plastic waste, end-of-life-vehicles and engines, metal and metal bearing wastes, and waste mixtures**, as well as the modus operandi of the organized crime groups and corporations involved.

It finds that legislative gaps, limited enforcement capacities, lack of traceability and low penalties are all facilitating a trade that some estimate to be worth billions of dollars.

"Our study demonstrates that waste trafficking continues to be incredibly difficult to detect, investigate

and prosecute,” says Candice Welsch, Director of Policy Analysis and Public Affairs at UNODC. **“This is not an abstract challenge, but one with severe consequences for public health, as it drives toxic pollution of drinking water, the ocean, soil and more.** Improved communication and data on suspected routes and vulnerabilities in the waste trade chain, together with harmonized offences and penalties, are essential to help us to better predict, prevent and stop illegal waste flows.”

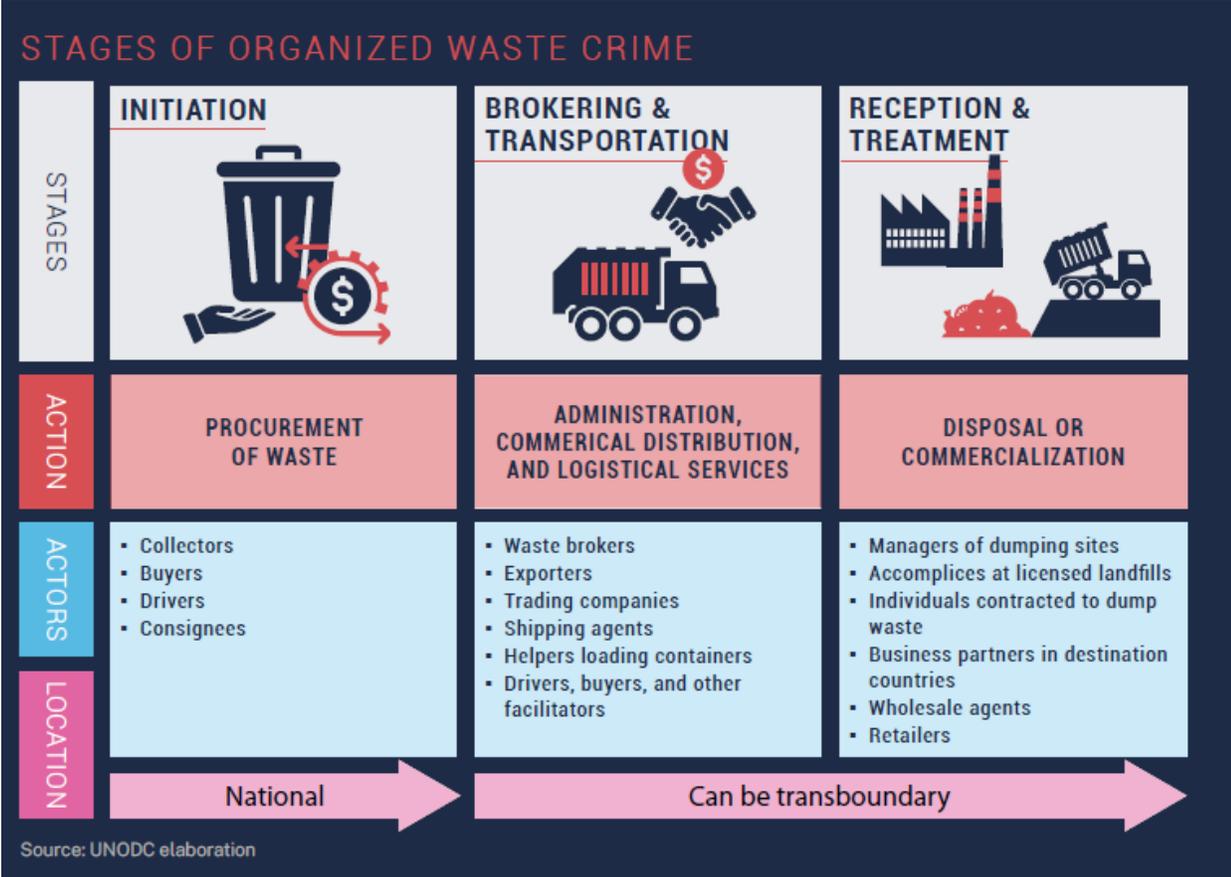
Organized crime groups have been found to be involved in waste crime cases around the world, ranging from local illegal activities to large-scale intercontinental trafficking.

Corporate involvement in waste crime and trafficking is also common. Some companies do not comply with regulations, others knowingly acquire illegal services and still others have parallel illegal operations.

The analysis finds that both organized crime groups and corporations employ corruption to **hide illegal waste within legal waste streams**, bypassing regulatory checks through fraudulent and corrupt manoeuvres. These can include document fraud, extortion, theft, public embezzlement, abuse of office, money laundering and more.

Moreover, **penalties for waste trafficking can be much lower than the potential profits that can be earned from a single illegal e-waste shipment**, while the cost of illegal disposal or trade can be substantially lower than the price of legal disposal or management services – creating strong financial motives to commit waste offenses.

The lack of consistent offences and penalties around the world make it easy for would-be traffickers to “jurisdiction shop” for those places with the weakest regulations and lightest penalties.



The study finds that, although the illegal dumping, burning, movement, shipping and disposal of waste happens worldwide, when waste is trafficked, the least valuable and/or most difficult and expensive

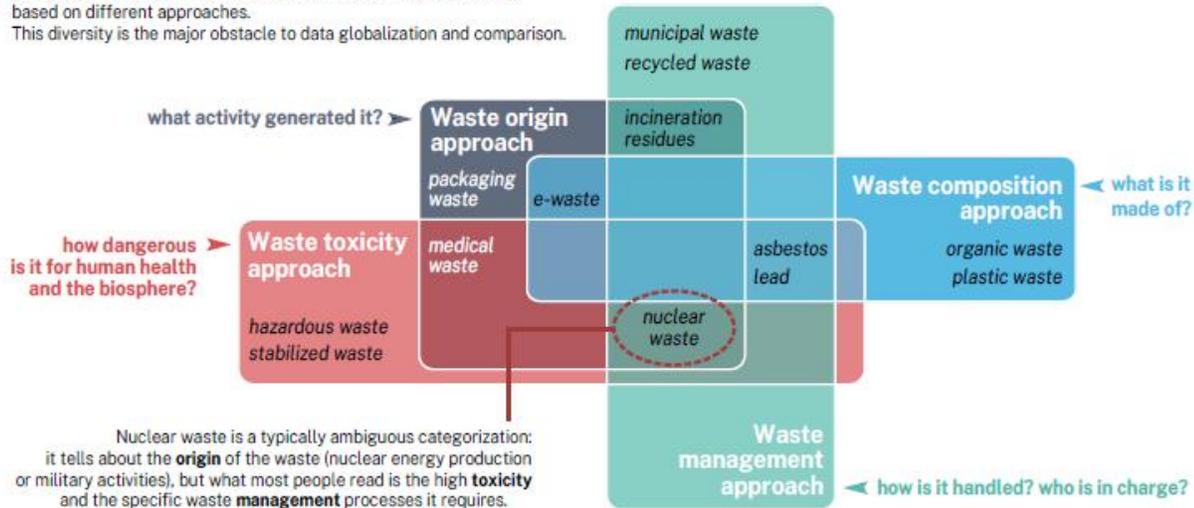
waste **to dispose of flows from high-income to low-income regions. These include plastics and e-waste, which can contain hazardous substances or harmful chemicals.** Since waste is often trafficked to countries that struggle with environmentally-sound waste management, this has significant negative consequences for people’s health and the environment.

Read [Waste Crimes and Trafficking](#) here.

Figure 3 – About the classifying of waste (and counting it)

Different approaches and overlapping definitions

Statistical institutes of the world use various waste classifications, based on different approaches. This diversity is the major obstacle to data globalization and comparison.



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:: Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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

United Nations – Secretary General, Security Council, General Assembly [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.un.org/press/en>
 Meetings Coverage/Press Releases [Selected]
 24 February 2026 GA/12752

[General Assembly Marks ‘Grim’ Fourth Anniversary of War in Ukraine, Adopts Text Calling for Ceasefire, as Eleventh Emergency Special Session Resumes](#)

Marking the fourth anniversary of the bloody conflict still raging in Ukraine, the General Assembly today adopted a resolution demanding an immediate, full and unconditional ceasefire, as delegates voiced varying degrees of hope and scepticism over ongoing United States-facilitated peace talks.

24 February 2026 SC/16302

'War Remains Stain on Collective Conscience', Under-Secretary-General Tells Security Council as Ukraine War Enters Fifth Year, Urging Ceasefire

As the Russian Federation's war on Ukraine enters its fifth year, the Security Council today heard that ongoing diplomatic efforts must first yield an immediate ceasefire, and then a lasting peace, to finally end the widespread suffering wrought by prolonged conflict.

UN Human Rights – OHCHR [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News, Statements, Press Releases [Selected]

Press releases 28 February 2026

Iran

Türk deplores strikes against Iran, and retaliation

Statements and speeches 27 February 2026

Our choices, our voices, our votes determine our future, says Türk at Human Rights Council

Press releases 26 February 2026

DRC: UN experts warn of extreme M23 violence targeting human rights defenders

UN Human Rights Council [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

Human Rights Council Advisory Committee concludes its 34th session

20/02/2026

Committee on the Rights of the Child [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest news

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the sale and sexual exploitation of children [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

USG Vanessa Frazier, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Concludes First Official Visit to Lebanon

Monday, 23 February 2026

SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Statements, Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur on the right to health [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News

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[**Ocean governance must be grounded in international law: UN experts**](#)

Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/ipeoples/srindigenouspeoples/pages/sripeoplesindex.aspx>

Latest news

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[**Ocean governance must be grounded in international law: UN experts**](#)

Special Rapporteur on the human rights of migrants [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/issues/migration/srmigrants/pages/srmigrantsindex.aspx>

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

UNHCR Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

[**UNHCR calls for urgent support to sustain refugee protection and returnee reintegration in Burundi**](#)

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UN OCHA Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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Today's top news: Afghanistan, Occupied Palestinian Territory, Sudan, Niger

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Centre for Humanitarian Data/HDX [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest Stories

No new digest content identified.

IOM [International Organization for Migration] [to 28 Feb 2026]

<http://www.iom.int>

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Deadly Rains in Brazil Displace Thousands, IOM Mobilizes Support

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21 Migrants Died Every Day in 2025, New IOM Data Reveals

News 25 February 2026

Funding Gaps Threaten Lives of Nearly 2 Million Displaced in South Sudan

News 23 February 2026

30 Migrants Dead or Missing off Greece in Latest Tragedy in the Mediterranean

UNAIDS [28 Feb 2026]

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

News, Stories, Updates

Feature Story

Ukraine: Keeping people in care

23 February 2026

Fifth year of war in Ukraine: deepening humanitarian needs and impact on the HIV response

UNICEF [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest press releases, news notes and statements [Selected]

Statement 25 February 2026

UNICEF statement on new reports of children killed and injured by airstrikes in Myanmar

BANGKOK, 25 February 2026 -, "UNICEF is deeply alarmed by new reports that at least five children have been killed and three others injured in deadly airstrikes that hit Ponnagyun Township, Rakhine State, and Myinmu Township, Sagaing region between 23 and 24 February. "Children and civilians are once again bearing the brunt of escalating hostilities, with the strikes in.....

Remarks 24 February 2026

Remarks by UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell at the United Nations Security Council arria-formula meeting for Red Hand Day 2026: Safe education to prevent recruitment and use of children in armed conflict

NEW YORK, 24 February 2026 -, "Thank you, Ambassador Alfaro de Alba, for convening today's Arria-formula meeting, and to Greece, Austria, Japan, and Uruguay for co-hosting this important discussion. It

is a privilege to join you to reflect on the essential role education plays in preventing the recruitment and

Remarks 24 February 2026

[Gaza's children call for the future they need](#)

GENEVA/JERUSALEM, 24 February 2026 - "For the past two years, Gaza's children have been spoken about endlessly. Their deaths and injuries reported. Their suffering described. "But what has been less visible is something far simpler and incredibly important: their own voices. That is why UNICEF launched "The Gaz...

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WHO & Regional Offices [28 Feb 2026]

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

Selected News/Announcements/Statements

27 February 2026 Departmental update

[Santiago de Chile Declaration launched to advance clean air and environmental justice in Latin America](#)

27 February 2026 News release

[Recommendations for influenza vaccine composition for the 2026-2027 northern hemisphere season](#)

27 February 2026 News release

[Denmark becomes first country in the European Union to eliminate mother-to-child transmission of HIV and syphilis](#)

27 February 2026 Departmental update

[WHO tests a strategy game to improve outbreak response speed](#)

26 February 2026 Feature story

[Local voices, local data: how localization can strengthen malaria elimination across Africa](#)

26 February 2026 Departmental update

[WHO designates new Collaborating Centre to strengthen evidence and integration of traditional medicine](#)

25 February 2026 News release

[WHO Director-General visits Jordan to recognize strong collaboration on health system delivery, emergency relief and advancing mental health](#)

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WHO Vaccines and Immunization [IVB]

https://www.who.int/health-topics/vaccines-and-immunization#tab=tab_1

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27 February 2026 News release

[Recommendations for influenza vaccine composition for the 2026-2027 northern hemisphere season](#)

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WHO Regional Offices

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WHO African Region AFRO

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[Newly released 2025 scorecard unveils progress and setbacks on health and gender equality across Southern Africa](#)

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

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[UN report: Latin America and the Caribbean advances in eradicating hunger for the fourth consecutive year](#)

According to the publication of FAO, IFAD, PAHO, UNICEF and WFP, undernourishment and food insecurity dropped, though concerns remain around the cost of a healthy diet and steep obesity. February 27, 2026, Santiago, Chile --In Latin America and the Caribbean undernourishment decreased for the fourth consecutive year, according to the 2025...

:: 26 Feb 2026

[PAHO Director analyzes the 2026 health landscape of the Americas: post-pandemic progress and persistent challenges](#)

Washington, D.C., February 26, 2026 (PAHO) — In the latest episode of the podcast Let's Talk About Health, the Director of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Dr. Jarbas Barbosa, presented an overview of his first three years in office and analyzed health achievement and challenges in the Region of the Americas at the start of 2026. "It is...

:: 25 Feb 2026

[New PAHO course strengthens health workers' capacity to deliver oral and long-acting PrEP to reduce HIV infections](#)

Washington, D.C., February 25, 2026 (PAHO) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) has launched the course Combined HIV Prevention with Emphasis on Oral and Long-Acting Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP), available on the PAHO Virtual Campus for Public Health. The course aims to strengthen the technical capacities of health personnel...

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

No new digest content identified.

WHO European Region EURO

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[Denmark becomes first country in European Union to eliminate mother-to-child transmission of HIV and syphilis](#)

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

No new digest content identified.

WHO Western Pacific Region

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

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

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[Public Health Situation Analysis - Sudan Conflict and Complex Emergency](#)

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Public Health Situation Analysis - Flooding across Southeast Africa

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Multi-country outbreak of mpox, External situation report #63 - 24 February 2026

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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.

No new digest content identified.

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

Vol. 101, No. 8, pp. 33-36 20 February 2026

<https://iris.who.int/server/api/core/bitstreams/cb19801a-6aa3-4343-ae02-06aa6dae4eb7/content>

:: From Field to Public Health Action: The Path of Genomic Surveillance from Brazil to the Americas
[Reviewed earlier]

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New WHO Publications

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

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No new digest content identified.

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World Organisation for Animal Health [OIE] [28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases, Statements

News

WOAH launches Ambassadors' Dialogue Series to strengthen political engagement on animal health

Published on 24 February 2026

The World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH) launched its new Ambassadors' Dialogue Series, bringing together diplomats to place animal health firmly on the global political agenda and to promote investment in prevention as a strategic priority. Hosted on 11 February 2026 in Paris, the inaugural meeting marked the first in a planned series of high-level diplomatic dialogues aimed at strengthening links between animal health and major global policy debates on health security, food systems, trade, climate resilience and sustainable development.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News story

No new digest announcements identified.

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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[Remarks by the UNDP Associate Administrator, delivered on behalf of the Administrator, at the 61st Session of the UN Human Rights Council](#)

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UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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

News

[57th session of the UN Statistical Commission side events](#)

27 February 2026

A series of more than 30 open side-events and meetings related to the 57th Session of the United Nations Statistical Commission is taking place between 27 February and 6 March 2026.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Resources [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 28 Feb 2026]

<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 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest

27-02-2026 | DESA

[The invisible scars of war: The forgotten toll of conflict and crisis on youth mental health](#)

27 February 2026 - The traces that conflict leaves on the mental well-being of global youth cut deep, often lingering for years after the guns go silent. Yet in global conversations about ceasefires, reconstruction and security, the topic of mental health often fails to make the agenda.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News [Selected]

[Survey highlights challenging conditions faced by migrant workers in Asia's fishing and seafood processing industries](#)

Labour migration

A ground-breaking ILO report highlights systemic nature of labour rights challenges and need for continued efforts to ensure decent work in South-East Asia's blue economy.

News | 24 February 2026

Maritime Labour Convention at 20: The ILO and the International Maritime Organization reaffirm commitment to decent work at sea

IMO–ILO joint news release

Maritime Labour Convention milestone marked with renewed call for fair and sustainable global shipping, protecting seafarers' rights.

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UNESCO [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases, News [Selected]

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

Press releases

Stronger Together: UNESCO and ALIPH reinforce cooperation for the protection of heritage at risk

26 February 2026

The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the International alliance for the protection of heritage (ALIPH) announced today the signing of a new cooperation agreement to strengthen the protection of cultural heritage threatened by armed conflicts and other crises, including those linked to climate change and technological developments. This renewed partnership builds on the results achieved in recent years and responds to the rapidly evolving risks facing heritage around the world.

UNESCO report: Major blind spot in ocean carbon research could undermine global climate predictions

23 February 2026

A new report by the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO reveals a critical lack of understanding of how the ocean absorbs and stores carbon. This glaring uncertainty about our planet's largest carbon sink threatens to skew current climate predictions, and hamper our ability to develop effective mitigation and adaptation strategies in the coming decades. The report also lays out a roadmap to bolster international cooperation, strengthen ocean carbon monitoring and update climate models accordingly.

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Announcements [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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Waste trafficking driving toxic pollution and harming public health, says UNODC

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 28 Feb 2026]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

[New global report highlights slow progress in expanding secure land tenure](#)

Most land has no documented ownership and uncertainties are rising, according to FAO, ILC and CIRAD

Most of the world's land has no formally documented owner.

25/02/2026 Rome/Cartagena de Indias, Colombia - While progress has been achieved in land tenure and governance over the past 20 years, the ownership, tenure or use rights of only 35 percent of the world's land is formally documented, according to the Status of Land Tenure and Governance, a new report released today...

World Food Programme [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Selected News Releases [Selected]

26 February 2026

[World Food Programme Executive Director Cindy McCain announces plans to step down to focus on her health](#)

Rome, Italy – Cindy McCain, Executive Director of the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), today informed her global teams and the organization's Executive Board, that she is planning to step down from her role in three months' time to focus on her health.

25 February 2026

[WFP and the EU support Moldova's refugee response with vital food and cash assistance and national system strengthening](#)

Chisinau, Moldova – Over four years of humanitarian assistance in the Republic of Moldova, the World Food Programme (WFP), with funding from the European Union (EU), has played a pivotal role in supporting the most vulnerable Ukrainian refugees, alongside the Moldovan families and communities that have welcomed them during one of Europe's longest displacement crises.

24 February 2026

[Somalia's humanitarian crisis worsening with 6.5 million people facing high levels of hunger, Federal Government and United Nations warn](#)

Nearly 6.5 million Somalis face high levels of hunger, and more than 1.8 million children face acute malnutrition due to worsening drought, the Somali government and UN agencies have warned in a new report.

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News and Highlights [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://public.wmo.int>

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News [Selected]

[UNIDO Director General Müller at the Munich Security Conference 2026: The importance of building food security belts around crisis regions](#)

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International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.iso.org/announcements.html>

News [Selected]

26 February 2026

[ISO and GHG Protocol launch webinars to advance global carbon accounting](#)

Online webinar to discuss the joint mandate to harmonize global carbon standards.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 28 Feb 2026] <http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/>

Press releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Announcements/Decisions/Events [Selected]

Notification 2026-019

[Operationalizing 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: Extension of deadline to submit relevant information and updates on actions to give effect to decision 16/2](#)

Reference is made to notification [2026-006](#), issued on 15 January 2026, where Parties and other Governments were invited to submit relevant information related to the progress made towards the implementation of [decision 16/2](#). I would like to thank those who have submitted information and invite those who have not done so to submit information as soon as possible. I am also pleased to inform you that the deadline to submit nominations has been **extended to 6 March 2026...**

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DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Department of State

<https://www.state.gov/press-releases/>

Press Releases - Selected

Press Statement

[Iran Designated as a State Sponsor of Wrongful Detention](#)

Marco Rubio February 27, 2026

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [U.K.] [nee DFID] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest

28 February 2026 — *Transcript*

[We strongly condemn Iranian strikes across the region: UK statement at the UN Security Council](#)

Statement by Ambassador James Kariuki, UK Chargé d’Affaires to the UN, at the UN Security Council meeting on The Middle East.

28 February 2026 — *Transcript*

[PM statement on Iran: 28 February 2026](#)

Prime Minister Keir Starmer’s statement

ECHO [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

News article 26 February 2026

[EU announces €63 million for Somalia to respond to the worsening humanitarian crisis](#)

This announcement comes as drought related food insecurity and malnutrition rates are surging nationwide in Somalia, with 6.5 million people (i.e. around 1 in 3 Somalis) facing hunger and an estimated 1.85 million children under the age of 5 at risk of acute malnutrition.

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African Union [to 28 Feb 2026]

<http://www.au.int>

Press releases [Selected]

[High-Level Partners’ Consultation on Accelerating the AU Decade of Education](#)

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[AU Summit Elevates Water and Sanitation as Central Pillar of Agenda 2063](#)

February 23, 2026

[African Court on Human and Peoples’ Rights elects new President](#)

February 23, 2026

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Secretariat News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

European Commission [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest [Selected]

Statement Feb 27, 2026

[Joint Statement by President von der Leyen and President Costa on developments in Iran](#)

OECD [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

[The Executive Committee of the OIC at the level of Foreign Ministers meets to address the decisions of the Israeli occupation authorities aimed at promoting settlement and annexing the West Bank](#)

The Executive Committee of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation held an extraordinary meeting, open to all Members, at the level of Foreign Ministers of

2026-02-26

[The OIC Media Observatory Issues its 117th Report, Documenting the Killing and Wounding of 54 Palestinians, the Demolition of 24 Homes, the Occupation of 4, and the Displacement of 15 Families](#)

Israeli occupation forces continued their crimes in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, killing and wounding 54 Palestinians between February 17 and 23, 2026.

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Group of 77 [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest Statements and Speeches [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

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UNCTAD [to 28 Feb 2026]

<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 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

WTO News and Events [Selected]

[Rewiring global value chains in a changing global environment](#)

25 February 2026

Global value chains are the backbone of the world economy, even at a time when they are undergoing structural and policy-driven changes in the face of a rapidly changing global environment.

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 28 Feb

2026] <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

[Marking the fourth anniversary of the start of Russia's full-scale invasion of Ukraine](#)

24/02/26

On 24 February 2026, marking the fourth anniversary of Russia's full scale invasion of Ukraine, the Council of Europe convened a meeting of the Committee of Ministers to examine the consequences.

International Court of Justice [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 28 Feb 2026]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity

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

News [Selected]

[ICC concludes confirmation of charges hearing in Duterte case](#)

Press Release 27 February 2026

International Law Commission [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Recent Developments

No new digest content identified.

International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) [to 28 Feb 2026]

<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 28 Feb 2026]

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

News [Selected]

[LAC AI Accelerator: An AI-Enabled Region](#)

Advancing AI adoption in Latin America and the Caribbean - What is the LACAI Accelerator? The LAC AI Accelerator is a regional initiative that aims to foster the development and implementation...

Date: June 02, 2026 Type: Brief L

[New Program to Equip 18 Million Youth and Enable Jobs in Eastern and Southern Africa](#)

WASHINGTON, February 26, 2026 – Millions of young people across Eastern and Southern Africa stand to gain skills they need to thrive through a new regional program that is designed to support job creation...

Date: February 26, 2026 Type: Press Release

[ICR Reports on the Observance of Standards and Codes \(ROSCs\)](#)

The financial crisis of the late 1990s gave rise to a series of measures to strengthen the international financial system, one of the most notable of which was the World Bank-International Monetary Fund...

Date: February 26, 2026 Type: Brief

[Women's Economic-Opportunity Laws Only Half-Enforced Globally](#)

Only 4% of women worldwide live in economies that provide nearly full legal equality WASHINGTON, February 24, 2026—Laws designed to ensure equal economic opportunities for women are only half-enforced...

Date: February 24, 2026 Type: Press Release

IMF [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News [Selected]

February 25, 2026

[United States of America: Staff Concluding Statement of the 2026 Article IV Mission](#)

U.S. policymakers have embarked on a systemic reorientation of the U.S. economy with the overarching goal to increase economic self-reliance and, in doing so, to boost the living standards of American workers.

African Development Bank [to 28 Feb 2026]

<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

25-Feb-2026

[African Development Bank Group and African Union Renew Push for Visa-Free Travel to Accelerate Africa's Economic Transformation](#)

23-Feb-2026

[African Development Bank, UNDP and partners launch the AI 10 Billion Initiative during 2026 Nairobi AI Forum](#)

Asian Development Bank [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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

Latest News Releases

26 Feb 2026

[ADB Convenes First 2026 Meeting of Heads of MDBs Group as Chair](#)

ADB has convened the first 2026 meeting of the Heads of Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) Group, marking the start of ADB's chairship. Held virtually, the meeting brought together leaders of major multilateral development institutions to reflect on the global economic and development landscape and to reaffirm their commitment to coordinated action in support of sustainable development.

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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News

No new digest content identified.

IDB – Inter-American Development Bank [to 28 Feb 2026]

<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 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.ifad.org/en/all-news>

Press Releases

Press release 27 February 2026

[UN report: Latin America and the Caribbean advances in eradicating hunger for the fourth consecutive year](#)

According to the publication of FAO, IFAD, PAHO, UNICEF and WFP, undernourishment and food insecurity dropped, though concerns remain around the cost of a healthy diet and steep obesity.

Islamic Development Bank [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

Saudi Arabia

[IsDB Board of Executive Directors Approves Around US\\$ 2.41 Billion in New Financing for Strategic Development Sectors](#)

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:: [Key Agency/IGO/Governments Watch](#) - *Selected Updates from 30+ entities*

:: [INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch](#) - *Media Releases, Major Initiatives, Research*

:: [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 28 Feb 2026]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Communiqués de presse

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://alima.ngo/>

Our Latest News

[Localization of Aid: Ten Years After the Grand Bargain, What Progress Has Been Made?](#)

In an interview published by IRIS (the French Institute for International and Strategic Affairs), Dr. Moumouni Kinda, CEO of ALIMA, reflects on the progress of aid localization ten years after the Grand Bargain, in a context of profound restructuring driven by a drastic decline in humanitarian funding.

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Amref Health Africa [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://aravind.org/>

Aravind News

No new digest content identified.

Blue Shield International [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

BS International News

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Updates

No new digest content identified.

Clubhouse International [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News/Events

[Join Our 2026 Clubhouse Movement Celebration Week Mar. 2-8!](#)

In partnership with Clubhouse Michigan, Clubhouse International presents this special week to amplify Clubhouse voices and invite the public to learn, connect, and celebrate. We share stories of recovery, celebrate achievements, raise awareness, and honor the leaders who shaped the Clubhouse movement—showing what’s possible when inclusion and community come first.

Danish Refugee Council [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

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[Education restores hope for displaced children in Apala](#)

25 Feb 2026

[Ukraine: Restoring agricultural production in conflict-affected areas](#)

ECPAT [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://ecpat.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

EIFL – Electronic Information for Libraries [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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

No new digest content identified.

Fountain House [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

GE2P2 Global Foundation [28 Feb 2026]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements/Digests

:: [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 – 06 Feb 2026](#)

:: [Genomics, Gene Editing, Convergent Biosciences: Governance, Ethics, Policy, Practice – A Monthly Review – Nov 2025](#)

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

[Statement on Cuba humanitarian situation](#)

PUBLISHED ON February 26th 2026

...**We issue an urgent humanitarian appeal to governments and the international community** to fulfil their obligations under international law, protect the civilian population, and ensure full access to essential services and humanitarian assistance, in order to preserve life, uphold the exercise of fundamental rights, and safeguard the dignity of all people.

SIGNATORIES:

- ARCS - Arci Culture Solidali
- CARE Cuba
- CISP Desarrollo de los Pueblos
- COSPE
- Fundación Mundubat
- Fundación ISCOD-UGT
- Humanity & Inclusion – Handicap International
- Justicia Alimentaria
- Movimiento por la Paz
- OIKOS Cooperação e Desenvolvimento
- Solidaridad para el Desarrollo y la Paz, SODePAZ

Heifer International [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.heifer.org/about-us/news.html>

News

No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 28 Feb 2026]
<https://www.helpage.org/newsroom/latest-news/>
News

[A turning point in Geneva for older people's rights](#)

24 February 2026

The first organisational session of a new Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG) tasked with drafting a legally binding instrument on the rights of older persons took place in Geneva.

[ALIGN: a new way to rethink ageing and health](#)

24 February 2026

Across Ethiopia, Pakistan, Tanzania and Ukraine, older people and health workers are reshaping how care works through HelpAge's ALIGN project.

ICRC [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.icrc.org/en/news>
Latest press releases and statements

[ICRC president urges respect for rules of war as major military escalation starts in the Middle East](#)

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[ICRC president calls for restraint and de-escalation amidst hostilities between Afghanistan and Pakistan](#)

Statement

27-02-2026

IFRC [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

[As conflict enters fifth year, humanitarian needs in Ukraine intensify amid deepening energy crisis and funding shortfall](#)

23/02/2026 | *Press release*

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/stories-and-news/>
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No new digest content identified.

IRC [International Rescue Committee] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

[IRC clinics see a 52% rise in severe malnutrition cases in Somalia as drought deepens amidst funding collapse](#)

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Press Release

[Sudan: IRC Statement on the closure of the Chad border crossing](#)

February 25, 2026

Press Release

[As Ukraine Marks Four Years of Full-Scale War, Ukrainians Endure Their Most Brutal Winter Yet](#)

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IRCT [to 28 Feb 2026]

<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 28 Feb 2026]

https://islamic-relief.org/news_category/news/

Latest news and updates

No new digest content identified.

Mercy Corps [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News Releases & Alerts

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Syria

[After years of detention former Al Hol residents face uncertain future](#)

Press Release 27 Feb 2026

Gaza-Israel war

[Huge influx of aid urgently needed amid catastrophic conditions in Gaza](#)

Press Release 27 Feb 2026

Mozambique

[MSF winds down operations in Mueda following transition to local health authorities](#)

Project Update 26 Feb 2026

About MSF

[Laura Leyser appointed new MSF International Secretary General](#)

Press Release 25 Feb 2026

The New Humanitarian [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

Aid and Policy Cheat Sheet 20 Feb 2026

[Targeting disabled people, West Bank annexation, and what next for WFP?](#)

Norwegian Refugee Council

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

News & Press Releases

Press release

[Palestine: Court suspends immediate shutdown of humanitarian organisations](#)

27. Feb 2026 | Palestine

Press release

[Afghanistan: 6 months after earthquake, families face abandonment](#)

26. Feb 2026 | Afghanistan

Press release

[Lebanon: Another Ramadan in displacement for families in South](#)

25. Feb 2026 | Middle East | Lebanon

OXFAM [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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Story

[What percent of the world's wealth is controlled by billionaires?](#)

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Pact [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News & Highlights

No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News & Stories

[PIH Sierra Leone's Isata Dumbuya Named to TIME Women of the Year List](#)

Dumbuya is one of 16 global leaders named to the 2026 TIME Women of the Year list for advancing equitable maternal health care.

February 26, 2026

PATH [28 Feb 2026]

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

Newsroom [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

[Landmark study shows global gains for girls, but threats to progress loom](#)

26 February 2026

Groundbreaking research from Plan International that has documented girls from birth for eighteen years reveals that globally, girls' lives have improved significantly over the past two decades but identifies these gains are now at risk with the next wave of challenges approaching.

Save the Children [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest news

26 Feb 2026 *GLOBAL*

ABOUT ONE-THIRD OF CHILDREN IN ASIA LACK ACCESS TO SAFE DRINKING WATER DESPITE GLOBAL GOAL

"Across Asia, there are children who wake up each day without the certainty of safe drinking water. When a child drinks unsafe drinking water the consequences ripple far beyond illness. It can mean days missed from play and school, stolen energy and even lifelong, serious health problems that children carry with them into adulthood."

26 Feb 2026 *GLOBAL*

Afghanistan: About 25,000 children living and learning in tents six months after deadly earthquake

The earthquake in eastern Afghanistan on 31 August last year was one of the deadliest to ever hit the country, killing more than 2,000 people and destroying or damaging more than 8,000 homes, forcing children and families into tents.

25 Feb 2026 *Somalia*

SOMALIA: One in three people facing severe food shortages as hunger surges towards 2022 peak

One in three people are facing severe food shortages in Somalia as worsening drought, conflict, and soaring food prices drive up hunger levels, with the situation nearly as bad as in 2022 when the country was on the brink of famine.

23 Feb 2026 *GLOBAL*

MOZAMBIQUE - More than 230,000 children out of school as worst flooding in decades hits schools– Save the Children

Back-to-back flooding in Mozambique has affected more than 720,000 people this year, over half of them children.

23 Feb 2026 *GLOBAL*

NEPAL: Children urge politicians to prioritise education, child rights in election triggered by Gen-Z protests – Save the Children

A Save the Children assessment in the immediate aftermath of the protests revealed grave violations of children's rights by state security forces, including deaths, injuries, arbitrary arrests and widespread trauma among children and young people. The assessment also exposed critical weaknesses in the country's child protection systems during political unrest.

Tostan [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://tostan.org/blog/>

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No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Articles

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[The Origins of Women's History Month and Why It's Still Needed Today](#)

Article

World Vision [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Featured Press Releases

[Four Years On: 1 in 3 Ukrainian Children Now in Need of Humanitarian Assistance](#)

February 23, 2026

A 17-year-old displaced from Kharkiv participates in activities at a World Vision–supported child-friendly space in Kyiv. KYIV (February 23, 2026)– Four years into the war in Ukraine, children continue to face growing harm to their safety and future. Today, one in three children now require humanitarian assistance, as sustained exposure...

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Electronic Frontiers Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Our Work

No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News Releases & Statements

[Freedom House Commends UN Working Group Ruling; Urges Immediate Release of Pakistani Human Rights Defender Idris Khattak](#)

February 23, 2026

Human Rights Watch [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News Releases/Spotlight

Spotlight: Iran and Human Rights

February 4, 2026 | *News Release*

[Iran: Human Rights Situation Spirals Deeper into Crisis](#)

Iranian authorities carried out executions on a scale unseen since the late 1980s, conducted mass and arbitrary arrests, and ratcheted up repression, especially following the June armed conflict with Israel and under the guise of national security, in 2025.

January 16, 2026 | *Report*

[Iran: Growing Evidence of Countrywide Massacres](#)

August 14, 2025 | *Report*

[Iran: Israeli Attack on Evin Prison an Apparent War Crime](#)

September 4, 2025 | *Report*

[Iran: Missile Strikes on Israeli Civilians Likely War Crimes](#)

July 12, 2024 | *News Release*

Iran: New President Should Confront Rights Abuses

Transparency International [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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ChildFund Alliance [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>

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No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 28 Feb 2026]

<http://concordeurope.org/>

Latest News and Events

No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Elder's Statements, News

Chair of The Elders appeals for de-escalation in Iran conflict

Juan Manuel Santos

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Gavi [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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Global Fund [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Blogs, Press Releases & Statements

No new digest content identified.

InterAction [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.interaction.org/statements/>

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No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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[Aquaculture in transition: Lessons from the impact evaluation of the IDEA project in Bangladesh](#) - *Impact evaluation brief, 2026*

24 February 2026

[Development cooperation for food security and nutrition: Rapid evidence assessment on the effects of information, capacity strengthening, and behaviour change interventions on food security, nutrition, and environmental food system resilience in Sub-Saharan Africa](#)

Working Paper 68, 2026

Etienne Lwamba, Ingunn Storhaug, Dr Suvarna Pande, Pierre Marion, Diana Cordova-Aruaz, Dr Shannon Shisler, Dr Esteban J Quiñones, Dr Cornelia Roemling, Anna Sting

CHS Alliance [to 28 Feb 2026]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

(ALNAP) Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.unige.ch/medecine/humanitarianstudies/latest-updates/news>

News

No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Publications, Events, News

No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://ihsa.info/>

News, Events

[Humanitarian Blog Posts Selection, Feb 26, 2026](#)

[Text-bolding from original]

This week, we are reading about the **ever-expanding role of AI and threats to human rights, from the mass surveillance, targeting, and killing of Gazans, to the US expansion of AI to monitor the social media accounts of documented immigrants and US citizens.**

While selective Iranian diaspora views are amplified in Munich, critical lessons from Iraq and elsewhere are ignored – **there is no evidence that military intervention “saves lives”**. In the updated commentary on the Fourth Geneva Convention, **ICRC reinforces the importance of “a good faith interpretation and application”**.

In Gummi, Nigeria, mothers and their children, **navigating famine and record malnutrition, face compounding, gendered barriers to clinical care**. Across Arab states, **women report the highest levels of digital violence of any region** – with 26 per cent of perpetrators claiming “it is their right”.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://inee.org/>

Resources

26 February 2026

[In Their Own Words: Students, teachers and frontline education providers on the devastating impact of aid cuts](#)

Report Geneva Global Hub for Education in Emergencies, Global Education Cluster, Inter-agency Network for Education in Emergencies (INEE)

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 28 Feb 2026]

<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 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News and Blog

No new digest content identified.

Unitaid [28 Feb 2026]

<https://unitaid.org/>

News releases

[TB diagnosis to become more accessible and cost-effective through innovative approaches](#)

26 February 2026

News releases

[New Unitaid-backed project to pilot next-generation oxygen technologies and sustainable delivery models](#)

26 February 2026

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Brookings [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Research, Events

[The external wealth of nations database](#)

Global Economy & Development

Gian Maria Milesi-Ferretti

February 27, 2026

[Leadership Transition in Iran](#)

Contingency Planning Memorandum

February 2026

Research

[Beyond paper reforms: Building coalitions for democracy in the DRC](#)

Jason K. Stearns, [Ithiel Batumike](#), and [Fred Bauma](#)

February 20, 2026

Center for Global Development [28 Feb 2026]

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

All Research

POLICY PAPER

[Lead-Safe Off-Grid Electrification: Understanding the Issues in Sub-Saharan Africa](#)

Rachel Bonnifield and [Caroline Mallory](#)

February 24, 2026

This paper investigates the role of lead in off-grid electrification across sub-Saharan Africa, including trends in off-grid technologies; the health and safety risks associated with ULAB recycling within sub-Saharan Africa; and a deep-dive market analysis of the off-grid solar sector. While there i...

POLICY PAPER

[A Landscape Analysis of Green Skills TVET Providers: Focus on Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Kenya, Morocco, and Senegal](#)

[Marcel Ricou](#) et al.

February 24, 2026

The global transition to a low-carbon economy demands the increased delivery of green skills, yet technical and vocational education and training (TVET) systems in Africa struggle to meet this need. This landscape analysis, by the Center for Global Development and IREX, aims to identify "investment-...

POLICY PAPER

[Exploring Donor Investments in Green TVET](#)

Ahmed Iqbal and [Helen Dempster](#)

February 24, 2026

This policy paper examines the scale and composition of donor investment in technical and vocational education and training (TVET), with a particular focus on green skills, using OECD Creditor Reporting System data from 2013–2022. By applying a broader methodology that captures TVET across 14 traini...

POLICY PAPER

[Linking Labor Mobility and Technical and Vocational Education and Training \(TVET\)](#)

[Helen Dempster](#) and [Marcel Ricou](#)

February 24, 2026

In the context of shrinking global aid budgets and persistent skills shortages in low-, middle-, and high-income countries, linking labor mobility and technical and vocational education and training (TVET), particularly in skills relevant to the green transition, can deliver a “triple win”: improvin...

Chatham House [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Selected Analysis, Comment, Events

[Trump’s tariffs: Are they here to stay? Independent Thinking podcast](#)

The US Supreme Court ruled against President Donald Trump on his first justification for tariffs, but he says he will push them through by other means.

Audio

Published 27 February 2026 30 minute listen

Featured content

Expert comment

[China is playing the long game over Iran](#)

Beijing’s diplomatic restraint over the US’s standoff with Tehran should not be mistaken for unreliability or indifference.

27 February 2026 4 minute READ

Expert comment

[Trump’s tariff strategy is alive and well](#)

The State of the Union showed the president’s faith in the efficacy of tariffs is undimmed – despite the adverse Supreme Court ruling.

25 February 2026 2 minute READ

Expert comment

[Europe is helping Ukraine resist a US push for peace at any price](#)

European governments are realizing how Ukraine is helping fill the void left by a diminished US presence.

24 February 2026 4 minute READ

Council on Foreign Relations [28 Feb 2026]

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

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

CSIS [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Reports [Selected]

[Assessing Xi's Unprecedented Purges of China's Military: Key Developments and Potential Implications](#)

This report brings together top experts on China's military to assess Xi Jinping's unprecedented purge of officers from all areas of its armed forces. Experts predict what this means for military readiness, modernization goals, and the reconstitution of the high command.

Report by Bonny Lin, Brian Hart, Thomas J. Christensen, John Culver, Jonathan A. Czin, Suyash Desai, M. Taylor Fravel, Allie Matthias, and Joel Wuthnow — February 24, 2026

IS Global [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

McKinsey Global Institute [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Featured Research

No new digest content identified.

ODI [Overseas Development Institute] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Publications

[Community-led negotiations](#)

26 February 2026

Other

[Protection negotiations with armed actors](#)

26 February 2026

Research report

[Additional resources - ERICC conference 2026](#)

25 February 2026

Literature review

[Education and economic opportunities for refugee and displaced youth in Chad](#)

24 February 2026

Research report

Pew Research Center [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest Publications

No new digest content identified.

Rand [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Published Research [Selected]

Research Published Feb 23, 2026

[Decisive Economic Advantage: Modeling the Transition from Temporary First-Mover Leads to Economic Dominance in Artificial General Intelligence](#)

Artificial general intelligence may differ from past technologies in ways that would allow a leader to turn an early advantage into decisive economic advantage.

In this report, the author provides a framework for analyzing when economic feedback converts temporary technological leads into durable constraints on a rival's ability to compete, with implications for strategic economic and geopolitical priorities. This report is intended for researchers and analysts concerned with the strategic dynamics of AGI development, including those working on artificial intelligence (AI) competition, economic security, and long-run technological advantage.

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 28 Feb 2026]

<http://researchonresearch.org/>

RoRI News, Events

February 23, 2026

[New RoRI project: PATHWAYS – Advancing Research on Research Use to Enhance Positive Impact](#)

RoRI has begun work on a new project in partnership with the Impact Funders Forum

Alan Turing Institute

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

News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Urban Institute [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

New Research Publications - Selected

No new digest content identified.

The Wistar Institute [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Media [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

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ISC / International Science Council [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

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

News

[The Science Diplomat Podcast: Sir Peter Gluckman on Science advice, trust, and the limits of evidence](#)

Sir Peter Gluckman reflects on how science informs political choices amid global tension, emphasizing why humility and transparency will be central to brokering science policy.

Publishing date: February 26, 2026

Listening time: 44 minutes

Global Research Council [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

National Academy of Engineering - USA [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News & Press Releases [Selected]

[Eric R. Fossum Presented with 2026 Charles Stark Draper Prize for Engineering](#)

Mon, February 23, 2026

...Approximately 70 guests gathered to celebrate his invention of the complementary metal-oxide semiconductor (CMOS) active pixel image sensor, widely known as the "camera-on-a-chip," a breakthrough that has transformed digital imaging worldwide.

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News, Stories, Insights

No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

[Frontiers of Statistics in Science and Engineering: 2035 and Beyond](#)

2026

Consensus Study Report

From advances in AI and blockchain to precision agriculture, statistical innovation drives progress and supports U.S. competitiveness across practically every field and sector. Frontiers of Statistics in Science and Engineering: 2035 and Beyond explores key developments in statistics, highlights critical future directions, and presents investment priorities to secure U.S. economic and technological advantage over the next decade.

Summary

Statistics is the science through which data become wisdom. Scientific and engineering progress is driven by statistical innovation, and the field continues to evolve through reciprocal interaction with scientific innovation. With the influx of computing capacity, proliferation and interoperability of data, and availability of increasingly complex modeling, the statistical landscape is shifting in ways that will transform its demands and broaden its contributions. This report illustrates the role of statistics as a key element of science and engineering progress. Recommendations in the report highlight critical areas of stewardship, capacity-building, and investment in the statistical sciences to sustain and expand the field's contributions for U.S.

competitiveness. This summary presents selected key findings, conclusions, and recommendations that underscore the report's main message.

National Endowment for the Humanities [U.S.] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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 28 Feb 2026]

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

News Releases

[NIH-supported trial reduces HIV incidence by 70% in rural populations](#)

February 24, 2026 — Study used technology to extend reach of existing infrastructure, linking people to care.

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

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

Reports. Statements, Meetings

No new digest content identified.

International Bioethics Committee (IBC-UNESCO)

<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-UNESCO)

<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 28 Feb 2026]

<https://cioms.ch/>

News; Publications; Events

[Working Group XV – Pharmacoepidemiology for Public Health - PUBLIC CONSULTATION DRAFT REPORT](#)

Pharmacoepidemiology aims to appraise and understand the use and effects — both beneficial and adverse — of medicines in real-world settings. As such it can be considered a bridge science, linking clinical pharmacology, epidemiology, public health and the social sciences.

Medicines are public health tools. With regard to the quality and transparency of the assessment of their effectiveness and safety, they are increasingly subject to the expectations and requirements of patients, healthcare professionals and regulators. Those involved in the development and delivery of medicines must therefore take full account of the aforementioned paradigm shifts. Additionally, the arrival of novel therapeutic agents, such as gene therapy, biologics and mRNA vaccines, whose modes of action and interactions with living organisms have very little in common with those of the more traditional chemical medicines, has brought into question the classic elements of pharmacovigilance and pharmacoepidemiology, such as the dose–effect relationship, drug causation criteria and the determination of drug exposure.

CIOMS full [concept note on Pharmacoepidemiology for Public Health](#)

You are invited to review and comment on the draft report entitled *Realising the Potential of Pharmacoepidemiology for Public Health Decision-Making*. [Download the report here](#).

Please note that comments will only be considered when using the [template provided here](#). The **deadline to submit your comments is 13 March 2026**.

Hastings Center [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases, Events

No new digest content identified.

INSERM [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selected]

23 February 2026

[Final training module issued for ICH guideline E2B\(R3\)](#)

ICH has published the final training module, “Implementation Guide for Electronic Transmission of Individual Case Safety Reports, Module III” for Guideline E2B(R3), one of several related guidelines on Clinical Safety Data Management.

Ongoing Public Consultations 

[> E22 EWG](#) [General Considerations for Patient Preference Studies](#)

[> M4Q\(R2\) EWG](#) [Revision of M4Q\(R1\)](#)

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

Nuffield Council on Bioethics [to 28 Feb 2026] <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.

UN Inter-Agency Committee on Bioethics

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

By providing a forum for exchange of information in the field of bioethics and related issues, with special attention to human rights, the UN Inter-Agency Committee on Bioethics (UNIACB) intends to promote coordination and cooperation in the activities carried out by its members.

Activities and News

No new digest content identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 06 Sep 025]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

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:: Foundation/Major Donor Watch

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

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [28 Feb 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Gates Foundation [28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases & Statements

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://www.blumeridian.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 28 Feb 2026]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News & Updates

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 28 Feb 2026]

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.

Website not responding...under construction...

Ford Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News & Press

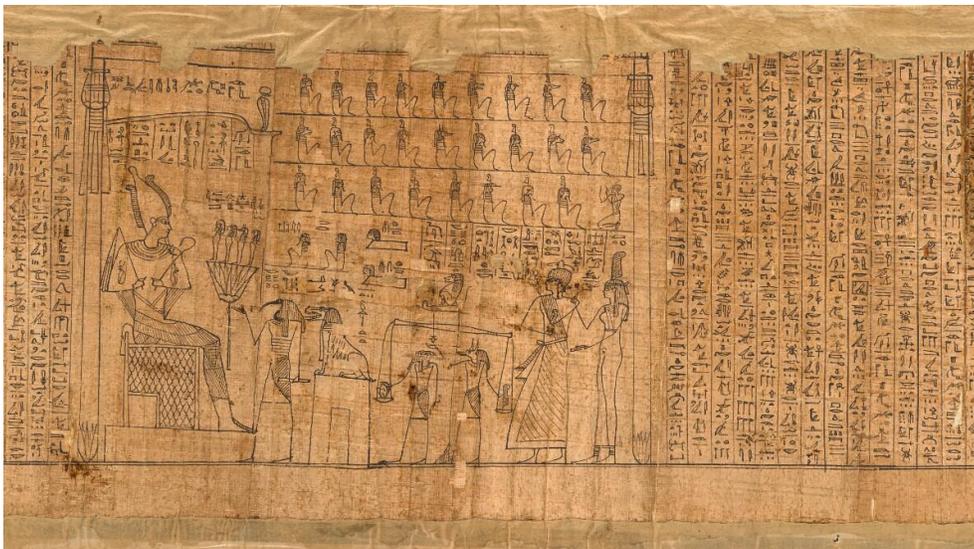
No new digest content identified.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest

[Getty's Egyptian Book of the Dead Lives Again](#)



The exhibition, previously shown in 2023, features Getty's Book of the Dead manuscripts
Feb 23, 2026

GHIT Fund [28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 28 Feb

2026] <http://hewlett.org/latest-updates/>

Latest Updates [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Room

No new digest content identified.

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://ikeafoundation.org/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News and Highlights

No new digest content identified.

Kaiser Family Foundation/KFF [28 Feb 2026]

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

Newsroom

[KFF Tracker: America First MOU Bilateral Global Health Agreements](#)

Feb 27, 2026 *Tracker*

This tracker provides up-to-date information on countries with signed bilateral MOU global health

agreements with the U.S.

Status of State Medicaid Expansion Decisions

Feb 27, 2026 *Interactive*

This page displays an interactive map of the current status of state decisions on the Affordable Care Act's Medicaid expansion. Additional Medicaid expansion resources are listed (with links) below the map.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News Releases

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His Highness the Aga Khan donates \$1 million to aid flood victims in Mozambique

His Highness the Aga Khan has donated \$1 million in humanitarian aid to victims of the floods that are ravaging mainly southern Mozambique.

Lilly Endowment Inc. [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://lillyendowment.org/news-and-insights/endowment-news/>

Endowment News

Press Release

National Geographic Society Bolsters Archival Access with Transformative \$57 Million Grant from Lilly Endowment Inc. to Illuminate the Richness of Our Shared Human Journey

With support from Lilly Endowment Inc., "The Archives" exhibition at the Museum of Exploration and the Center for Human Histories and Cultures will foster global collaboration and expand knowledge of the Society's world-renowned collections

MacArthur Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Latest News and Grantee News

No new digest content identified.

Mastercard Foundation [Canada] [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://mastercardfdn.org/en/press/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Recent News

No new digest content identified.

Novo Nordisk Foundation [Denmark] [to 28 Feb 2026]

<https://novonordiskfonden.dk/en/news-media/>

News and media

25 Feb 2026

[DKK 11.8 billion \(€1.6 billion\) awarded to benefit people and the planet in 2025](#)

In 2025, the Novo Nordisk Foundation awarded DKK 11.8 billion (€1.6 billion) to support more than 2,200 projects aimed at improving people's health and the sustainability of society and the planet.

Open Society Foundations [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Newsroom

Press release February 26, 2026

[Open Society Statement on the Detention and Denial of Entry of Brian Kagoro in Kenya](#)

Open Society condemns the arbitrary detention and denial of entry of our managing director of Programs, Brian Kagoro, by authorities in Kenya.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News Room

[Pew Applauds Milestone Ratification of International Treaty to Improve Safety at Sea](#)

Press Releases & Statements February 24, 2026

International Maritime Organization's Cape Town Agreement will help save lives and fight illegal fishing—protecting the ocean and the people who depend on it

Rockefeller Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News and Announcements

[Statement by Dr. Rajiv J. Shah on WFP Executive Director Cindy McCain](#)

Statements Published Date February 27, 2026

Throughout her career, Cindy McCain has worked on behalf of the world's most vulnerable, from delivering medical care to conflict zones to fighting for the rights of women and girls to, most recently, leading the World Food Programme. On behalf of The Rockefeller Foundation, I want to thank Cindy for her service as executive director of the WFP and wish her the very best as she prepares to step down...

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 28 Feb 2026]

<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

No new digest content identified.

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Stichting INGKA Foundation [Netherlands] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Tata Trusts [India] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [28 Feb 2026]

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

News, Opinion, Reports

No new digest content identified.

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Candid [formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar] [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

Press Room

No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 28 Feb 2026]

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

News, Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

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:: Journal Watch

The Sentinel will track key peer-reviewed journals which address a broad range of interests in human rights, humanitarian response, health and development. It is not intended to be exhaustive. We will add to those monitored below as we encounter relevant content and upon recommendation from readers. We selectively provide full text of abstracts and other content but note that successful access to some of the articles and other content may require subscription or other access arrangement unique to the publisher. Please suggest additional journals you feel warrant coverage.

AJOB Empirical Bioethics

Volume 16, 2025 Issue 4

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

[Reviewed earlier]

AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 27, Number 12: E823-875 December 2025

<https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/aging-bad-you>

Aging Is Bad for You?

At some point along life's trajectory, growing becomes aging. Gerotherapeutics—biologically-based approaches to health that target processes of aging—seem poised to respond. This theme issue investigates ethical valences of what gerotherapeutics suggest about our socially, culturally, and historically entrenched patterns of pathologizing and medicalizing aging. Advancement in our understanding of physiological mechanisms of aging has prompted some to reconceive lifespans as health spans. Geroscience also suggests the need to critically evaluate whether and to what extent we should think of anti-aging ventures as legitimate enterprises of health care. Normative roles played by aging in our personal and relational narratives, in our expectations about how duration and quality of life confer value to life, and in how life extension promotes or undermines our notions of wisdom and a good life are all at stake.

AJOB Neuroscience

Volume 17, Issue 1 (2026)

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabn20/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Human Genetics

Feb 05, 2026 Volume 113 Issue 2 p235-400

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

This month in The Journal

Paul W. Hook, Alyson B. Barnes

The current biotechnology industry is characterized by intense competition. Although this competition can drive innovation and increased investment, too much competition can prevent collaboration and potentially foster a culture in which data and methods are stockpiled and guarded. The United States Federal Trade Commission (FTC) advances government policies that promote free and open competition and challenges anticompetitive business practices. In this issue, Rashid et al. provide an overview of recent policy changes at the FTC surrounding competition and innovation in human genetics and genomics, using the Illumina and Grail merger in 2021 as a case study.

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

March 2026 116(3)
<http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 114 (2026): Issue 2 (Feb 2026)
<https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/114/2/tpmd.114.issue-2.xml>
[Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

February 2026 Volume 179, Issue 2
<https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current>
[Reviewed earlier]

Antiquity – A Review of World Archaeology

Issue 409 - February 2026
<https://antiquity.ac.uk/latest>
[Reviewed earlier]

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.

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[Leadership on the Line: Gaslighting, Adaptive Leadership, and the Battle for the Soul of Democracy](#)

Mathias Risse

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Abstract

In contemporary politics, the rise of a leadership style centered on “gaslighting”—persuasion through systematic besmirching, belittling, and the inversion of shared norms—poses profound challenges to democracy. This essay traces the conceptual roots of gaslighting and its uptake as a style of leadership, explores its distinguishing features compared to other manipulative political tactics, and uses the current American situation (that is, the rhetoric of Donald Trump and JD Vance) alongside international examples to illustrate its consequences. Against this backdrop, “adaptive leadership” is advanced as a normative counterweight—one that invites honest engagement with adaptive challenges and bolsters civic trust. The contrast illuminates the stakes for democratic culture as gaslighting erodes the very fabric of orientation, accountability, and mutual respect. It is no exaggeration here to speak of a battle for the soul of democracy.

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Rachel Chambers, Shareen Hertel, Cory Runstedler

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ABSTRACT

Human rights due diligence (HRDD) laws have emerged as a vehicle for extending oversight within global supply chains, encumbering corporations with the responsibility for “knowing the chain” of business partners, regardless of where in the world production takes place. But there is comparably little analysis of the role that local level actors and communities play in the implementation of related obligations by businesses. Laws at the national level and the regional level lock in corporate responsibility with the aim of protecting individual and community stakeholders and their natural environment from harm, including the European Union Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD). But stakeholders at the grassroots level are typically ignored or tokenized in the process, despite the centrality of their knowledge to HRDD. This article analyzes primary documents produced at the national level in multiple sites where HRDD is unfolding to reveal minimal specification of stakeholder engagement in laws and corporate compliance practices. This lack of clarity results in unequal bargaining power in the design and execution of remedies for harm. The power imbalance between corporations

and stakeholders is thus not disrupted, despite the laudable aims of HRDD law. Addressing this imbalance is critical to improving the legitimacy and effectiveness of HRDD.

[The Fight Against Female Genital Mutilation in International Human Rights Law: The Contribution of the Joint General Comment by the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child](#)

Patient Mpunga-Biayi, Robin Sinchrist-Lecheks

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ABSTRACT

The Joint General Comment on Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) by the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and the African Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child adopts a holistic approach by addressing FGM as both a child rights and women's rights issue. It strengthens State Parties' obligations beyond criminalization, urging policies that challenge gender norms, promote equality, and dismantle power dynamics that perpetuate FGM. This intersectional framework engages diverse sectors, including education and healthcare, to combat the practice. Moving beyond a narrow focus on legal prohibitions, the General Comment encompasses legislative, institutional, medical, psychosocial, cross-border, and humanitarian dimensions. It emphasizes prevention, protection, victim support, accountability, and international cooperation, offering a comprehensive strategy to eradicate FGM while advancing gender equality and human rights.

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Protection of the Dead

22 articles

Whether lawful or unlawful, death is an inherent part of war– and has been throughout history. Each of the four 1949 Geneva Conventions contains rules addressing this topic quite extensively, as do their Additional Protocols and customary IHL, both for international and non-international armed conflicts. Yet, until now, the IHL rules on the protection of the dead have received relatively little attention in scholarship. The ambition behind this edition of the Review is to remedy this gap, with a focus on contemporary wartime realities and humanitarian responses, including by the International Committee of the Red Cross. This edition also seeks to address how international human rights law and international criminal law can complement the protection of those who have died as a result of armed conflicts. Many contributions in this edition equally reflect on the deeper layers of ethics, values, culture and religion underpinning the legal rules. By treating the dead, no matter who they were in life, in a dignified manner, parties to an armed conflict contribute to upholding humanity in war. Ultimately, doing so may help to build trust and find pathways to peace between those who have inflicted death upon each other during war.

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Editorial

[Robert F Kennedy Jr: 1 year of failure](#)

The Lancet

In his first speech as Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Robert F Kennedy Jr laid out a plan to restore trust. The COVID-19 pandemic saw public faith in Federal health and science plummet—between April, 2020, and September, 2023, the percentage of polling respondents who trusted coronavirus and vaccine information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) “a great deal” or “a fair amount”, fell from 83% to 63%—and the HHS employees to whom he was speaking were facing devastating mass lay-offs and funding cuts. Although Kennedy did not mince words about the likely fate of staff resistant to his ambitions, he promised open and honest engagement with everyone willing to work towards making the USA healthy again. To the Senate

committee who confirmed his nomination, Kennedy promised a receptive and collaborative relationship, and to the public from whom he claims his mandate, he promised a new era of unbiased science without hidden conflicts of interest, secrecy, or profiteering. Radical transparency, gold-standard science, ethics, compassion, competency, and pride would restore to HHS the unimpeachable authority that the USA needs and deserves. Politicians are known to break promises, but Kennedy's record, 1 year in, has been a failure by most measures, especially his own.

10 days after his speech about trust and openness, HHS rescinded a 54-year-old policy of soliciting public comments for new rules and regulations, silencing the voices of many of the stakeholders he pledged to serve. Kennedy has summarily dismissed advisers and experts, communicated policy changes on pay-walled media, fired a whistleblower, and overseen the revisions of guidelines and recommendations, contradicting decades of established science, often to the benefit of industries he formerly condemned. Under Kennedy's leadership, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) shuttered programmes studying the health effects of air pollution, HHS withheld a report linking alcohol consumption to cancer, and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) withdrew warnings of potential harm from consuming products (such as raw milk and chlorine dioxide) falsely marketed as treatments for autism. His changes at CDC have driven 26 states to reject official guidance on vaccine policy, and in December the CDC awarded an unsolicited \$1.6 million grant to conduct a vaccine study in Guinea-Bissau that raised so many ethical concerns—the design would have risked exposing thousands of unvaccinated children to hepatitis B—that it has been compared to the infamous Untreated Syphilis Study at Tuskegee.

HHS under Kennedy has made a habit of throwing good money after bad science. Amid the Trump administration's cuts to research funding and personnel there has been a harmful shift in priorities. Cutting-edge discoveries and clinical investigations—on subjects ranging from mRNA vaccines to diabetes and dementia—are denied crucial resources while junk science and fringe beliefs are elevated without justifiable explanation. Under Kennedy's leadership, politicisation at the NIH, FDA, and CDC is imperilling the future of US science and innovation and throttling the public health enterprise that keeps the country safe today.

The mechanisms maintained by the Federal Government to monitor and report health concerns such as drug overdoses, maternal mortality, and food security have been as beleaguered as the doctors and scientists who rely on them; thousands of datasets are no longer publicly available, leaving Americans—and the world—unprepared to respond to future crises. And crises are looming: in November, 2025, the first human infection (and death) from the H5N5 strain of avian flu was recorded in Washington state; pertussis, which killed 13 people in the USA in 2025, continues to spread across the country; and the measles outbreak that began in January of last year now threatens the elimination status of the USA and Mexico.

Despite these developments, Kennedy has continued to spread misinformation and push politicised agendas at the expense of the country's most vulnerable. When called to account for his decisions by Congress, he has been evasive and combative. The destruction that Kennedy has wrought in 1 year might take generations to repair, and there is little hope for US health and science while he remains at the helm. Calls for his resignation now number in the thousands. Congress must exercise its duty of oversight and hold Kennedy accountable for his record, or else accept responsibility for endorsing President Trump's decision to let him "run wild on health".

Comment

[Governance for health in a turbulent world: introducing a new *Lancet* Commission](#)

Christina Marie Brux, Emma Joanna Lengle, Jashodhara Dasgupta, Rhoda K Wanyenze, Paulo Marchiori Buss, Eivind Engebretsen, Ana Mateus, Richard Horton, Ole Petter Ottersen

Over a decade has elapsed since the *Lancet*-University of Oslo Commission on Global Governance for

Health published its report in 2014.¹ At that time, progress towards the Millennium Development Goals had been made, the Sustainable Development Goals were in the offing, and global health was advancing, albeit largely in prioritised health security domains and substantially contingent on financing from high-income countries and philanthropies.² Anchored in a commitment to health equity and an understanding of health as determined significantly by political factors and forces beyond the health sector, the 2014 Commission identified five governance dysfunctions that sustain and exacerbate health inequities: democratic deficit, weak accountability, institutional stickiness, missing institutions, and inadequate policy space for health. In its recommendations, the 2014 Commission asserted health equity as a cross-sectoral mandate and encouraged more effective cooperation between extant governance organisations and stakeholders, proposing a UN multistakeholder platform and an independent scientific monitoring panel on the social and political determinants of health.¹

Viewpoint

The paradox of trust in health care in the age of social media

Marcello Ienca, Celine Gounder, Ezekiel J Emanuel

Summary

Health systems worldwide face two fundamental and connected challenges: pervasive misinformation and disinformation and eroding public trust. This erosion reveals a paradox at the heart of contemporary science–society relations: the more science succeeds in solving complex problems through rigour and institutional coordination, the more it alienates a public that values immediacy, authenticity, emotional resonance, and personal connection. Consequently, those most committed to scientific rigour—scientists, health-care institutions, professional societies, and public health agencies—are increasingly distrusted, whereas those least accountable—untrained influencers, unqualified individuals with financial motives or political agendas, and artificial intelligence bots—are deemed credible. This so-called trust paradox is amplified by engagement-driven social media environments that reward disinformation, immediacy, group identity, and authenticity over factual truth. The consequences are harmful health outcomes and misguided policy decisions. Addressing this paradox requires not only technical accuracy but also co-production from the outset, overarching horizontal communication, infrastructures for transparency and emotional resonance, and regulatory reforms for algorithms and digital environments.

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[Public Perspectives on Sharing Profits with Biospecimen Donors](#)

Aaron Eli Segal; Xiaobai Li; David Wendler

Abstract

Introduction: In current practice, individuals rarely share in the profits of research using their biospecimens. Many commentators defend this practice on the grounds that the contributions donors make are not important enough to merit a share of the profits. Others argue that if researchers and sponsors profit, donors should too. Despite the importance of this debate, there are no data on the public's views.

Methods: Online survey of US adults selected to approximate the 2020 US census on age, gender, race, ethnicity, and geographic region. Respondents were asked whether biospecimen donors should share in the profits or receive payments across six scenarios, differing on whether the research yields a profit and which other parties share in the profits.

Results: A total of 77.2% of respondents indicated that donors should share in the profits when researchers profit and 78.9% when sponsors profit. Support for profit sharing was strong across all groups assessed, although respondents who were older, white, and wealthier were less likely to think donors should share in the profits.

Conclusion: A significant majority of a sample of the US public thinks individuals who donate their biospecimens should share in the profits of research that uses their samples. These findings offer compelling reason to reconsider current practice of not sharing profits with biospecimen donors.

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[**A Decade of Prevention: Renewing Commitment to Human Rights-Based, Nationally Led Efforts against Violent Extremism**](#)

Eihab Omaish

Victims of terrorism must remain at the heart of prevention efforts. Their voices and experiences highlight both the profound human costs of terrorism and the obligations of States to protect those within their jurisdiction.

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World Heritage Review
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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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[International AI Safety Report 2026](#)

Yoshua Bengio, et al

The International AI Safety Report 2026 synthesises the current scientific evidence on the capabilities, emerging risks, and safety of general-purpose AI systems. The report series was mandated by the nations attending the AI Safety Summit in Bletchley, UK. 29 nations, the UN, the OECD, and the EU each nominated a representative to the report's Expert Advisory Panel. Over 100 AI experts contributed, representing diverse perspectives and disciplines. Led by the Report's Chair, these independent experts collectively had full discretion over the report's content.

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[Agents of Chaos](#)

Natalie Shapira,

We report an exploratory red-teaming study of autonomous language-model-powered agents deployed in a live laboratory environment with persistent memory, email accounts, Discord access, file systems, and shell execution. Over a two-week period, twenty AI researchers interacted with the agents under benign and adversarial conditions. Focusing on failures emerging from the integration of language models with autonomy, tool use, and multi-party communication, we document eleven representative case studies. Observed behaviors include unauthorized compliance with non-owners, disclosure of sensitive information, execution of destructive system-level actions, denial-of-service conditions, uncontrolled resource consumption, identity spoofing vulnerabilities, cross-agent propagation of unsafe practices, and partial system takeover. In several cases, agents reported task completion while the underlying system state contradicted those reports. We also report on some of the failed attempts. Our findings establish the existence of security-, privacy-, and governance-relevant vulnerabilities in realistic deployment settings. These behaviors raise unresolved questions regarding accountability, delegated authority, and responsibility for downstream harms, and warrant urgent attention from legal scholars, policymakers, and researchers across disciplines. This report serves as an initial empirical contribution to that broader conversation.

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[Understanding Agency in Woman's Economic Empowerment Policy: an Analysis of Three Programs in India](#)

Shruti Ambast, Pallavi Khare, Vedavati Patwardhan, Lotus McDougal, Katherine Hay

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The concept of agency has gained prominence in development discourse over the past few decades, reflecting a shift away from top-down approaches and recognition of how individuals and communities shape how and whether programs work. This growing emphasis on agency, and calls for policies and programs that build or expand agency across all major international development funders and implementers, has brought increasing attention to what agency means, how it is shaped, and how to measure it. While research on agency at the intervention level has grown, there has been almost no published analysis of how this growing attention has found home in public policies.

In this study, we examine three economic empowerment schemes in India. We adapt an existing framework for empowerment to develop a policy analysis tool and apply it to a textual analysis of the selected schemes.

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Gill Thomson, Marena Ceballos Rasgado, Catherine Harris, Doris Schroeder

Abstract

The objectives of this integrative systematic review were to describe how community researchers (CRs) in low-and middle-income country (LMIC) settings are recruited, trained and supported in research projects, to identify facilitators, challenges and impacts of involving CRs, and to explore CRs' own experiences of conducting research. This area has not previously been synthesised across studies, thereby offering an original contribution to the evidence base. Primary research studies, of any study design and in any language, that provided insights into the review objectives in LMICs were included in the review. Search strategies included database searches and backward and forward chaining. Seven databases were searched on 5th November 2024 without date or language limits: Medline, Embase, CINAHL, PsycINFO, SocINDEX, Web of Science and Global Index Medicus. Quality assessment of included studies was conducted using the Mixed-Methods Appraisal Tool (MMAT). Qualitative synthesis of the findings was undertaken using a reflexive thematic approach. Overall, 39 papers reporting 27 studies were included in the review, with only seven papers scoring under 80% on the MMAT. Findings were synthesised over four themes: (1) recruitment, engagement and support; (2) benefits and challenges to the community researchers and communities; (3) benefits and challenges to the research; (4) ethics of engagement. Engaging CRs offers clear benefits, including improved access to marginalised groups, reduced power imbalances, and richer, culturally informed data. However, this review also highlights ethical concerns, emotional strain, and inequitable compensation, particularly in LMIC contexts where there are structural inequalities, limited resources, and sociocultural challenges. These findings highlight the need for research teams to adopt more ethical and inclusive approaches to CR involvement. Priorities include attribute-based recruitment processes, comprehensive training and ongoing support, fair remuneration, and structures that protect CRs' wellbeing. Strengthening these practices is essential to minimise harm, enhance data quality, and ensure community-engaged research delivers meaningful and equitable benefits.

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[WMA - Declaration of Taipei Revision Launched \[Ongoing\]](#)

...The Declaration of Taipei tries to achieve a balance between the rights of individuals giving their tissue or data for research and other purposes based on confidentiality and privacy rules while at the

same time recognising that health data has become a very powerful tool for increasing knowledge.

In analysing the scenarios that already exist for the use (and misuse) of health data and biobanks, we came to the conclusion that the major risk scenarios may not result from science, but from the commercial, administrative or political use of such data. Limiting our guidelines to research only would have left us blind to the imminent risk of abuse from outside the field of medicine: commercialization, cost-cutting and potential political abuse.

Therefore, in contrast to the Declaration of Helsinki, this policy aims to address any use of health databases and biobanks excluding individual treatment and is not restricted to research. As physicians are the primary custodians of confidential health information, they feel an obligation towards their patients and other persons who entrust them with their data and specimens...

In April 2025, the WMA appointed a workgroup to initiate the revision process of this document. To encourage as much global participation in the revision process as possible, the WMA is collaborating with its members to host a series of regional meetings...

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