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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.



Pact for the Future, UN80

[Pact for the Future, UN80 Initiative Designed to Renew Vision of Multilateralism, Deliver Better for Future Generations, Secretary-General Tells General Assembly](#)

24 April 2026 *Press Release*

SG/SM/23101

Following are UN Secretary-General António Guterres' remarks to the informal meeting of the General Assembly on the implementation of the Pact for the Future, titled "The Pact for the Future and the UN80 Initiative: From Commitments to Delivery", in New York today:

[Excerpt]

...Today, **we focus on how these two initiatives fit together and reinforce one another. At their core, both are about restoring trust** — through concrete action, meaningful reform and results that people can see, feel and believe in.

As we all know far too well, trust is in dangerously short supply around the world. We see sharp fragmentation and deep polarization, conflicts causing horrific levels of death and destruction, communities deprived of resources for development and resilience, efforts to defer climate action and deny climate justice, and a frenetic race to build new technologies without guardrails.

The Pact for the Future is the world's pledge to tackle such shared challenges together, and it calls for a more inclusive, effective and fit-for-purpose multilateral system to follow through.

The UN80 Initiative is about equipping ourselves with the right tools to do the job — and making our Organization more coherent, more effective and more prepared to deliver on the vision set by Member States.

Already we are making significant progress in realizing the Pact's commitments. This includes:

:: advancing global efforts on the governance of artificial intelligence (AI) with the launch of the Independent International Scientific Panel on AI and the Global Dialogue on AI Governance;

:: redefining measures of progress beyond GDP with support from the High-Level Expert Group;

:: addressing global debt distress, enhancing global tax cooperation, and launching the borrowers' platform, as outlined in the Sevilla Commitment, which also reaffirmed the need to reform the global financial architecture; and

:: establishing systematic links with international financial institutions through the biennial summit — to help align global financing with the 2030 Agenda [for Sustainable Development] and ensure a financial system that is more inclusive, responsive and accessible to developing countries.

The Pact also calls for strengthening our approach to peace and security through the New Agenda for Peace, including the soon-to-be-released review of UN peace operations — and it was the driving force behind my report last year on how rising global military expenditure is slowing progress on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The Pact for the Future also includes further steps promoting youth engagement by developing core principles for their meaningful participation; enhancing our capabilities in innovation, data and digital transformation to build the UN of the future; and reinforcing human rights coordination, including deeper engagement with local authorities, civil society, academia and other partners.

All this work is **supported by a robust system of transparency and accountability — including a dedicated tracking mechanism and public dashboard** — to monitor progress, define clear milestones and ensure disciplined implementation.

The Pact for the Future and UN80 are interconnecting components of a single strategy of renewal. Together, they are designed to renew the vision and machinery of multilateralism, so the UN can further deliver with credibility and impact today and for generations to come...



Civil Aviation – Conflict Zones

[Drones, missiles, and jamming: UN aviation chief calls for urgent action to protect civil aircraft operating near or over conflict zones](#)

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization

22 April 2026

The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) is calling for stronger measures to protect civilian aircraft from military threats, revealing that the risk of weapons targeting civilian planes grows worldwide.

ICAO Secretary General Juan Carlos Salazar informed delegates at the 2026 World Overflight Risk Conference in Vallarta, Malta, that **emerging military technologies—including long-range weapons systems, unmanned aircraft systems (UAS), global navigation satellite system radio frequency interference, and advanced air defence systems—pose risks to civilian aviation.**

"We must now reach beyond the boundaries of aviation as we have known it," Salazar said, emphasizing that new sophisticated weaponry capabilities are creating an environment where civilian aircraft face a heightened risk of being targeted or caught in crossfire.

While praising the aviation industry's ability to reroute flights and maintain operations during the recent Middle East crisis, Salazar stressed that **operational flexibility alone cannot address the fundamental security threat posed by weapons systems.**

Salazar commended States and airspace users for the **measures implemented to mitigate the safety and security risks posed due to the escalated situation in the Middle East. He noted that more than 10 States had partially or fully closed their airspace**, which also significantly impacted international air transport.

"This commitment to resilience, adaptation, safety and security, is the foundation of our industry," he said, calling for concrete measures to prevent civil aviation facilities, airports and aircraft from being targeted in the first place.

Salazar pointed to ICAO Assembly Resolution A42-4 and Article 3 bis of the Chicago Convention, which explicitly prohibits the use of weapons against civilian aircraft, as the legal foundation for demanding better protection. However, he acknowledged that international law alone has proven insufficient as

regional conflicts intensify.

Following ICAO's provisions and guidance, **the Secretary General urged States to take three immediate steps:**

- :: share threat intelligence rapidly when activities pose risks to civilian aircraft,
- :: strengthen risk assessment mechanisms and timely decision making, and
- :: improve coordination between military and civilian authorities to prevent misidentification of civilian aircraft as military targets...

The organization is also updating its Manual Concerning Safety Measures relating to Military Activities and its Risk Assessment Manual for Civil Aircraft Operations Over or Near Conflict Zones, focusing on how authorities and airlines and air navigation services providers can better assess threats from malicious activities...

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Acute Food Insecurity; Malnutrition

[Acute food insecurity and malnutrition remain alarmingly high as crises deepen, UN, EU and partners warn in new report](#)

Over the past decade acute hunger numbers have doubled, while funding retreats to 2016 levels

JOINT NEWS RELEASE EU/BMZ/FCDO/G7+/DAFM/FAO/IFAD/WFP/UNHCR/UNICEF/WB
Brussels/Berlin/London/Dili/Dublin/Rome/Geneva/New York/Washington D.C. - **Acute food insecurity and malnutrition levels remain alarmingly high and deeply entrenched**, with crises increasingly concentrated in a core group of countries, according to the Global Report on Food Crises (GRFC) 2026, released today by an international alliance. **In its tenth edition, the GRFC shows that acute hunger has doubled over the past decade, with two famines declared last year for the first time in the report's history.**

The report from the Global Network Against Food Crises reveals that acute **food insecurity remains highly concentrated. Ten countries — Afghanistan, Bangladesh, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Myanmar, Nigeria, Pakistan, South Sudan, Sudan, Syrian Arab Republic, and Yemen — accounted for two-thirds of all people facing high levels of acute hunger.** Afghanistan, South Sudan, Sudan, and Yemen experienced the largest food crises both in terms of the share and absolute number of people facing high levels of acute food insecurity.

At the most extreme end, famine was identified in Gaza Governorate and parts of Sudan in 2025 by the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) system. This marks the first time since the GRFC began reporting that famine has been confirmed in two separate contexts in the same year. This signals a sharp escalation in the most extreme forms of hunger and malnutrition, driven primarily by conflict and restricted humanitarian access, and exacerbated by forced displacement.

In total, 266 million people in 47 countries/territories experienced high levels of acute food insecurity in 2025, representing almost 23 percent of the analysed population – a proportion that is marginally higher than in 2024 and nearly double the share recorded in 2016. In 2025, the severity of acute food insecurity was the second highest on record, with the share of people facing extreme hunger remaining at one of the most critical levels seen in the past two decades. **The number of people facing catastrophic hunger (IPC Phase 5) is nine times higher than it was in 2016...**

The Global Report on Food Crises (GRFC) is a flagship publication that serves as the key reference for understanding acute food insecurity at global, regional and country levels. The report is the result of a collaborative effort among 18 partners to produce a consensus-based assessment of acute food insecurity and malnutrition in countries affected by food crises. It aims to inform and guide both humanitarian and development responses.

About the GNAFC

The Global Network Against Food Crises (GNAFC) is an international alliance of the United Nations; the European Union; Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany; the UK Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (FCDO); the Government of Ireland; the Group of Seven Plus (G7+); governmental and non-governmental agencies working together to address food crises with evidence-based actions proven to deliver impact.



“Transnational Repression”

Authoritarian Collaboration Fueled Transnational Repression in 2025

Freedom House April 16, 2026

Six new governments—those of Afghanistan, Benin, Georgia, Kenya, Tanzania, and Zimbabwe—were identified for the first time as using transnational repression tactics.

Thirty governments reached beyond their borders in 2025 to assassinate, assault, kidnap, detain, deport, and threaten their critics, according to a new report released by Freedom House.

The report, Collaboration and Resistance: Tracking Transnational Repression in 2025, recorded 126 new incidents of physical transnational repression, with **collaboration between autocrats in Southeast Asia and similar collaboration in East Africa responsible for the majority of cases.**

Authorities in China, Vietnam, and Russia were the top perpetrators of transnational repression in 2025. Six governments—those in Afghanistan, Benin, Georgia, Kenya, Tanzania, and Zimbabwe—were identified for the first time as having used tactics of transnational repression...

Key Findings:

- **Authoritarian collaboration fueled transnational repression in Southeast Asia and East Africa.** Over half of the incidents—69 of 126—recorded last year occurred in these two regions. In Asia, the collaboration was driven by geopolitical pressure and economic incentives from Beijing. In Africa, collaboration stemmed from authorities’ shared desire to suppress mobilization by activists during tense political moments, such as the lead-up to elections.
- **Detention and deportation were the most common tactics.** With 49 incidents, detention was the most ubiquitous tactic of transnational repression last year. It was followed closely, with 48 incidents, by unlawful deportation. In at least 11 cases of detention or unlawful deportation, perpetrator governments were able to use Interpol notices against exiled dissidents, indicating that the organization’s reforms have not yet fully addressed avenues for abuse available to member governments.
- **Democracies have taken action to counter transnational repression, but gaps remain.** Democratic governments are making an effort to protect people from extraterritorial violence and working together through multilateral forums to create strategies to counter this threat. However, dissidents and exiled activists remain at risk of physical harm in democracies, and some host countries facilitate transnational repression via their immigration systems. This problem can become

more acute when immigration enforcement is ramped up while due process protections are weakened...

The report provides a **number of recommendations** to democratic governments to counter transnational repression:

- **Adopt and codify a government-wide definition of transnational repression that can be used across departments and agencies and in official communications.** The definition should recognize that transnational repression is committed by states and their proxies against individuals living abroad who share a national connection to the origin state, and hinders fundamental rights such as freedom of expression, belief, and association.
- **Apply sanctions and visa bans against foreign government officials who facilitate transnational repression via forced returns.**
- **Interpol member states should consider increasing their funding to the organization's oversight bodies**—the Notices and Diffusion Task Force and the Commission for the Control of Interpol's Files—so that they can enhance their capacity to detect and expunge politically motivated requests from Interpol systems.
- **Continue to engage directly with diaspora communities by creating online resources,** providing information on ways to report transnational repression, and connecting communities with local law enforcement. Governments should also establish feedback mechanisms to gauge the efficacy of their outreach strategies.
- **Ensure that immigration enforcement does not facilitate transnational repression.**

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"Big Catch-Up" [BCU] – Global Immunization

Largest catch-up initiative delivers over 100 million childhood vaccinations

24 April 2026 Joint News Release: WHO, UNICEF, Gavi

:: The Big Catch-Up, launched during World Immunization Week 2023, has delivered over 100 million vaccine doses to an estimated 18.3 million children across 36 countries.

:: Around 12.3 million were "zero-dose children" who had not previously received any vaccines and 15 million who had never received a measles vaccine.

:: The **initiative concluded in March 2026 and is on track to meet its target of catching up 21 million children** – but agencies warn that many infants still miss out on lifesaving vaccines through routine immunization every year.

GENEVA/NEW YORK, 24 April 2026 – The Big Catch-Up (**BCU**), a **historic multi-year, multi-country effort to address vaccination declines driven largely by the COVID-19 pandemic, has reached an estimated 18.3 million children aged 1 to 5 across 36 countries** with more than 100 million doses of life-saving vaccines, helping to narrow critical immunity gaps, announced Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance (Gavi), WHO, and UNICEF at the start of World Immunization Week.

Of the 18.3 million children reached between 2023 and 2025, **an estimated 12.3 million were "zero-dose children" who had not yet received a vaccine and 15 million had never received a measles vaccine.** BCU also provided **23 million doses of inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) to un- and under-vaccinated children**, an essential intervention to reach polio eradication. Programme implementation concluded on 31 March 2026. Although final data is still being compiled, the global initiative is forecasted to be on track to meet its target of vaccinating at least 21 million un- and under-immunized children.

However, agencies warn that while catch-up vaccination is an important strategy for closing

immunization gaps, expanding the reach of routine immunization programmes remains the most effective and sustainable way to protect children against outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases...



AI and Human Agency

[A Formal Model of How Artificial Intelligence Erodes Human Agency](#)

Rand Research April 20, 2026

Alvin Moon, Benjamin Boudreaux

In this report, the authors draw on social choice theory to develop a formal model of how AI erodes collective human agency; they also model decisionmaking to identify the point beyond which this erosion could become irreversible.

Key Findings

- **Agency erosion is measurable across domains.** Three metrics—distribution of decisive coalitions, minimal coalition size, and composition of minimal coalitions—are applicable to a wide variety of decisionmaking processes. These metrics provide a framework for tracking human agency impacts across domains, comparing changes, and detecting nonlinear acceleration.
- **Distinct mechanisms drive agency erosion.** There are three pathways through which AI reduces human agency: human disenfranchisement (fewer humans in decisionmaking roles), AI enfranchisement (AI entities gaining decisionmaking power and changing the composition of decisive groups), and AI agenda control (AI systems shaping which alternatives reach human decisionmakers to consolidate power in unintended ways).
- **A terminal state exists.** The mathematical structure of the model identifies a formal end state of agency erosion: a single minimal coalition that is decisive for all choices. This provides a target for monitoring how far the trajectory is from this point of irreversibility.

Recommendations

- **Develop agency evaluations.** Existing AI evaluations assess capabilities, safety, and alignment, but they do not assess structural effects on human decisionmaking. Researchers should design benchmarks that measure when AI systems reduce the number of humans in decisive coalitions, influence outcomes, or shape which alternatives reach human decisionmakers.
- **Establish human participation thresholds.** For high-stakes domains (such as democratic governance, military applications, and critical infrastructure), policymakers should consider minimum requirements for human presence in decisive coalitions. These thresholds should reflect domain-specific requirements for legitimacy and reversibility. Organizations, such as the National Institute of Standards and Technology, could incorporate coalition composition as a measurable dimension of AI risk alongside existing metrics for reliability and security.
- **Monitor coalition composition longitudinally.** The danger of gradual disempowerment is that no single change appears catastrophic. Organizations and governments should track the human composition of decisive coalitions across domains over time.
- **Benchmark reversibility capacity.** Organizations should assess whether they could restore human decisionmaking if AI-driven agency loss accelerates. Doing so would require maintaining the human expertise, institutional knowledge, and deliberative infrastructure needed to reverse course.

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:: Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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ECOSOC/7229

[Participants Reaffirm 2025 Sevilla Commitment as framework to implement 2030 Agenda, Close \\$4 Trillion Funding Gap, as Financing for Development Forum Concludes](#)

The Economic and Social Council's Forum on Financing for Development Follow-up concluded today with Member States reaffirming the 2025 Sevilla Commitment as the renewed global framework for financing sustainable development and for closing the estimated \$4 trillion annual financing gap.

24 April 2026 *Press Release*

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[Welcoming 3-Week Extension of Cessation of Hostilities Agreement between Lebanon, Israel, Secretary-General Urges All Actors to Fully Comply](#)

24 April 2026 *Press Release*

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[All Military Activities Near Nuclear Sites Must Stop, Secretary-General Tells UN General Assembly Meeting Marking 40th Anniversary of Chernobyl Disaster](#)

Following are UN Secretary-General António Guterres' remarks, as delivered by Guy Ryder, Under-Secretary-General for Policy, to the commemorative meeting of the UN General Assembly in observance of the fortieth anniversary of the Chernobyl disaster:

23 April 2026 *Meetings Coverage*

SC/16348

[Elections 'Only Credible Path' Back to Constitutional Order in Haiti, Mission Chief Tells Security Council, as Gang Suppression Force Speeds Deployment](#)

Despite positive political developments in Haiti, international security support is needed to create conditions conducive to holding planned elections, the Security Council heard today, as members debated how that support should operate in a context where minors are caught up in the gangs destabilizing the country.

20 April 2026 *Press Release*

SC/16344

[**Security Council Press Statement on Death of French Peacekeeper from United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon**](#)

UN Human Rights – OHCHR [to 25 Apr 2026]

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[**Deaths and Displacement in Lebanon - Update on the Human Rights Situation in Lebanon**](#)

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[**Global Human Rights Indicator Framework**](#)

Summary

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The Global Human Rights Indicator Framework (GHRIF) is a practical tool for understanding how well human rights commitments are being put into practice. It helps countries and other actors track progress, spot gaps, and identify opportunities to advance the commitments set out in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), core international human rights treaties, and the Declaration on the Right to Development -- binding commitments in which the framework is firmly grounded.

The framework gives governments, institutions, and advocates a clear, consistent way to measure human rights progress and identify where more action is needed. It bridges human rights principles with practical data, making it easier to turn commitments into measurable results.

The framework is built on the conceptual and methodological approach to human rights indicators formally endorsed by all UN Treaty Bodies ([HR/PUB/12/5](#)). Each indicator is linked to UDHR provisions for easy reference. It's designed to work with multiple data sources and follows international statistical standards, including the Sustainable Development Goals indicator framework.

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[**UN women's rights committee reaffirms protection of girls from prostitution and sexual exploitation**](#)

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[**Three years of war in Sudan: A crisis the world can't ignore**](#)

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SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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[USG Vanessa Frazier, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict, Concludes First Official Visit to Ukraine](#)

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SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict [to 25 Apr 2026]

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[Pramila Patten: 'Rape Is not an inevitable part of war' – Interview with Aya Chebbi on DW Africa](#)

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[UNAIDS congratulates the Bahamas on WHO certification of eliminating mother-to-child transmission of HIV and hepatitis B](#)

Kingston/Geneva, 23 April 2026—UNAIDS congratulates the Bahamas on eliminating both mother-to-child transmission of HIV and hepatitis B. The certifications, awarded by the World Health Organization

(WHO), with the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), recognize sustained progress to ensure that pregnant women have access to quality antenatal care, get tested on time and start treatment early. The result has been that babies have been born free of preventable infections...

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[Famine a harsh reality for children as acute hunger numbers double over past decade](#)

GENEVA, 24 April 2025 - , "The Global Report on Food Crises makes a stark point, that famine is no longer just a risk, it is a harsh reality children are living through right now. "Chapter 3 of the report, on acute malnutrition, shows that today's food crises are also deep nutrition crises, driven by conflict, di...

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[Acute food insecurity and malnutrition remain alarmingly high as crises deepen, UN, EU and partners warn in new report](#)

Brussels/Berlin/London/Dili/Dublin/Rome/Geneva/New York/Washington D.C. - , Acute food insecurity and malnutrition levels remain alarmingly high and deeply entrenched, with crises increasingly concentrated in a core group of countries, according to the Global Report on Food Crises (GRFC) 2026 , released today by a...

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[Largest catch-up initiative delivers over 100 million childhood vaccinations](#)

The Big Catch-Up, launched during World Immunization Week 2023, has delivered over 100 million vaccine doses to an estimated 18.3 million children across 36 countries. Around 12.3 million were "zero-dose children" who had not previously received any vaccines and 15 million who had never received a measles vaccine....

Remarks 22 April 2026

[UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell's remarks at the Humanitarian Dialogue – Humanitarian Priorities for Children in 2026](#)

NEW YORK, 22 April 2026 –, "Ambassador Clase, thank you so much for having me today. I really appreciate it. "Let me start by saying what you all know. Across the globe, children are facing record levels of violence, displacement, and deprivation. "In 2024 alone, the United Nations verified more than 41,000 grave ...

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[WHO reports measurable health impact in 2025 amid transition to new strategy](#)

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[WHO certifies the Bahamas for eliminating mother-to-child transmission of HIV](#)

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[Message from the Head of the PIP Framework Secretariat, Anne Huvos](#)

...The PIP Framework is the world's first and only functioning global access and benefit sharing system for public health. Its purpose remains as relevant today as it was in 2011: to promote the timely sharing of influenza viruses with pandemic potential and, on an equal footing, the fair and equitable sharing of resulting benefits, including vaccines, antivirals and diagnostics, to improve pandemic influenza preparedness and ensure that response to the next pandemic is rooted in, and guided by, equity.

During its 15 years of implementation, WHO's PIP Framework has operationalized the Partnership Contribution and used the funds provided by influenza vaccine, diagnostic and pharmaceutical manufacturers that use the WHO Global Influenza Surveillance and Response System (GISRS) to support capacity strengthening in 86 countries across all six WHO regions, as well as at the global and regional levels....

:: [WHO Influenza Newsletter - PIP 15th anniversary special edition: Pandemic Influenza Preparedness \(PIP\) Framework](#)

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WHO Vaccines and Immunization [IVB]

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[Children better protected against malaria in Togo](#)

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[Over 10 million children protected against polio in coordinated cross-border campaigns across Angola, DRC and Namib](#)

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Website not responding at inquiry.

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

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[WHO calls for renewed focus on equity as millions remain unvaccinated in South-East Asia despite decades of progress](#)

WHO European Region EURO

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[A global influenza vaccination target has existed for 2 decades – yet only 4 countries in the European Region are hitting it](#)

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[Hungary expands medical curricula to support vaccine communication](#)

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: [Pakistan: protecting millions against polio with support from Ksrelief](#)

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:: [Pakistan, WHO have protected 160 million children and 130 million mothers with life-saving vaccines over 5 decades](#)

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WHO Western Pacific Region

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[For every generation, vaccines work – but progress must be protected in the Western Pacific...](#)

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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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Disease Outbreak News (DONs)

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

[23 April 2026 | Measles - Bangladesh](#)

Situation at a glance

On 4 April 2026, the National International Health Regulations (IHR) Focal Point for Bangladesh notified WHO of a nationwide increase in measles cases, geographically affecting 58 out of 64 districts across all eight divisions in Bangladesh. A total of 19 161 suspected measles cases and 2897 laboratory-confirmed measles cases have been reported between 15 March and 14 April 2026, including 166 measles related deaths (CFR 0.9%). The majority (79%) of the reported cases are children aged under 5 years.

A targeted measles-rubella (MR) vaccination campaign started on 5 April, and various outbreak response measures are ongoing including strengthening nationwide surveillance and epidemiological analysis to enhance case detection and reporting. Based on currently available information, WHO assesses the risk at the national level as high due to ongoing transmission across multiple divisions, the large number of susceptible children, documented immunity gaps, and the occurrence of suspected measles-related deaths.

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

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

Vol. 101, 13-16 [full issue] 17 April 2026

<https://iris.who.int/server/api/core/bitstreams/c31f06c2-fbb5-48e2-a881-ffd92b0b1362/content>

:: From data to life-saving action: how Go. Data strengthened outbreak response in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh

[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] [25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases, Statements

No new digest content identified.

UNFPA United Nations Population Fund [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News story

[**A race for rights: How sport helps to protect girls in Uganda from gender-based violence and female genital mutilation**](#)

22 April 2026

KAPCHORWA, Uganda – “As a female coach, the girls trust me,” said Zuena Cheptoek, an athletics coach in the town of Kapchorwa, in eastern Uganda. “They tell me things they can’t tell anyone else – about pressure to...

UNDP United Nations Development Programme [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News Centre

No new digest content identified.

UN Division for Sustainable Development [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UN Statistical Commission :: UN Statistics Division [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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

News

No new digest content identified.

UNEP United Nations Environment Programme [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Resources [Selected]

24 Apr 2026 | *Press Release*

[New regional partnerships to drive joint environmental action in Central Asia](#)

Central Asian countries have united at the inaugural Regional Ecological Summit, where they launched new regional partnerships to jointly address circular economy and glaciers, as well as establish common approaches to supporting biodiversity, climate action and air pollution.

UNDRR UN Office for Disaster Risk Reduction [to 25 Apr 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 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest

22-04-2026 | DESA

[Guterres urges countries to 'unleash the renewables revolution'](#)

22 April 2026 - UN Secretary-General António Guterres has again urged governments to step up the transition from fossil fuels to clean energy as war and climate risks create unprecedented challenges.

22-04-2026 | DESA

[Promoting and defending the rights of Indigenous Peoples is more important than ever](#)

22 April 2026 - The [UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues](#) serves as a vital platform for Indigenous Peoples from across the world, to engage in dialogue with Member States and the UN system, culminating in a report providing tangible recommendations to advance the rights of Indigenous Peoples.

21-04-2026 | DESA

[Secretary-General hopefuls make their case in televised 'interactive dialogues'](#)

21 April 2026 - From 1 January 2027, there will be a new person in charge on the 38th floor of UN Headquarters: after 10 years, having completed the maximum two mandates, António Guterres is stepping down.

21-04-2026 | DESA

[Time running out on development goals as finance dries up, UN warns](#)

21 April 2026 - The Financing for Sustainable Development Report 2026 (FSDR), a new UN report launched on Monday, finds that with just four years left until the 2030 deadline for the Agenda for Sustainable Development, progress has stalled – and in some cases reversed – following the shocks of the [COVID-19](#) pandemic, rising geopolitical tensions and growing climate impacts.

ILO International Labour Organization [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News [Selected]

Officers of the ILO Committee on maritime labour urge immediate action to protect seafarers stranded in the Strait of Hormuz

Representatives of governments, seafarers and shipowners call on Member States to protect seafarers at a time of heightened violence at sea in the Middle East region.

News | 24 April 2026

Sheng Li appointed ILO Deputy Director-General

ILO Management

News | 22 April 2026

African Union and ILO advance second joint plan to drive decent work and social justice in Africa

Partnership

The African Union and the ILO are launching a new phase of their partnership to drive jobs, skills, social protection and inclusive growth across Africa, with a 2025–2029 plan focused on scaling up delivery and measurable impact.

News | 22 April 2026

UNESCO [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases, News [Selected]

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

UNESCO's World Press Freedom Day 2026 spotlights the continued decline of press freedom globally

As attacks on journalists proliferate in all regions of the world, UNESCO and the Government of Zambia prepare co-host this year's World Press Freedom Day Conference on 4 and 5 May, which will bring press freedom advocates and digital rights communities together to discuss the growing challenges for journalism faces in an increasingly insecure world.

23 April 2026

International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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No new digest content identified.

UNODC United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://unhabitat.org/>

News

Website not responding at inquiry.

FAO Food & Agriculture Organization [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

[Acute food insecurity and malnutrition remain alarmingly high as crises deepen, UN, EU and partners warn in new report](#)

Over the past decade acute hunger numbers have doubled, while funding retreats to 2016 levels
24/04/2026

World Food Programme [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Selected News Releases [Selected]

24 April 2026

[WFP SUPPORTS ETHIOPIA TO BUILD RESILIENT FOOD SYSTEMS IN SOMALI REGION WITH SOLAR POWERED IRRIGATION SCHEME](#)

GODE, Ethiopia - The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), the Government of Ethiopia, the German embassy, and KfW Development Bank, today, inaugurated a solar-powered irrigation scheme in Gode, Somali Region - an investment designed to boost year-round food production and help drought-prone communities better withstand climate shocks.

24 April 2026

[Acute food insecurity and malnutrition remain alarmingly high as crises deepen, UN, EU and partners warn in new report](#)

Over the past decade acute hunger numbers have doubled, while funding retreats to 2016 levels

22 April 2026

[New contribution from the United States strengthens WFP's emergency response in Haiti](#)

ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest News and Highlights [Selected]

[Drones, missiles, and jamming: UN aviation chief calls for urgent action to protect civil aircraft operating near or over conflict zones](#)

22 April 2026

IEA International Energy Agency [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

[Middle East crisis disrupts international natural gas markets and delays global LNG supply wave](#)

Press release 24 April 2026

IEA's latest quarterly report shows how the ongoing supply shock and infrastructure damage are increasing price volatility and pushing back easing of global gas balances

IMO International Maritime Organization [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

24 April 2026

[Accelerating maritime digitalization in Eastern and Southern Africa](#)

IMO, World Bank and the Africa Transport Policy Program (SSATP), in partnership with the United Republic of Tanzania's Ministry of Transport, convened a regional workshop to accelerate the digitalization of ports

across 12 African countries.

WMO World Meteorological Organization [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://public.wmo.int>

News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

UPU Universal Postal Union [to 25 Apr 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 25 Apr 2026]

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

News [Selected]

[**International Day of Women in Industry 2026: a global first marked by collective action**](#)

21 April 2026

International Organization for Standardization (ISO) [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News [Selected]

15 April 2026

[**ISO 14001:2026 published – raising the bar for environmental performance**](#)

The new edition of ISO 14001 has been released, giving organizations a clearer, more effective way to turn environmental ambition into measurable results.

WIPO World Intellectual Property Organization [to 25 Apr

2026] <http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/>

Press releases [Selected]

[**World Intellectual Property Day 2026: New WIPO Data Show IP Use Booming in Sports Industry**](#)

Golf, swimming and racket sports are the most patent-intensive areas of the sports industry, where use of intellectual property (IP) is rising at above-average rates, according to a new World Intellectual Property Organization report released to mark World IP Day.

Apr 25, 2026 [PR/2026/952](#)

CBD Convention on Biological Diversity [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Announcements/Decisions/Events [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Department of State

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

Press Releases - Selected

No new digest content identified.

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office [U.K.] [nee DFID] [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest

22 April 2026 — *Press release*

[Joint Statement by President Macron and Prime Minister Starmer, Co-chairs of the International Summit on the Strait of Hormuz: 17 April 2026](#)

Today, France and the United Kingdom convened 51 countries for an international summit on the Strait of Hormuz. The meeting underlined the determination of the international community to support freedom of navigation, to stand up for international law, and to protect global economic stability and energy security.

ECHO [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

News article 24 April 2026

[Acute food insecurity and malnutrition remain alarmingly high as crises deepen](#)

Acute food insecurity and malnutrition levels remain alarmingly high and deeply entrenched, with crises increasingly concentrated in a core group of countries, according to the Global Report on Food Crises 2026, released today by an international alliance.

News article 22 April 2026

[EU announces €235 million in humanitarian aid for West and Central Africa](#)

The European Commission announced today €235 million in humanitarian assistance to support the most vulnerable in West and Central Africa. This funding will support those affected by current conflicts and food crises, forcibly displaced people, host communities, and hard-to-reach populations.

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African Union [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.au.int>

Press releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

ASEAN Association of Southeast Asian Nations [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Secretariat News [Selected]

[ASEAN Chair's Statement on the Release of Prisoners in Myanmar](#)

April 24, 2026

European Commission [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest [Selected]

Press release Apr 22, 2026

[EU adopts 20th package of sanctions against Russia](#)

The Commission welcomes the adoption by EU Member States of the 20th package of sanctions against Russia. The EU's commitment to a free and sovereign Ukraine is unwavering. This package puts further pressure on Russia to engage in negotiations and do so on terms acceptable for Ukraine. Every day of further Russian attacks on Ukrainian civilian infrastructure is another day of suffering for the Ukrainian people.

Press release Apr 21, 2026

[EU announces €235 million in humanitarian aid for West and Central Africa](#)

The European Commission has announced €235 million in humanitarian assistance to support the most vulnerable people in West and Central Africa.

Statement Apr 19, 2026

[Joint statement by Commission, WHO Regional Office for Europe, and UNICEF Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia, celebrating the progress vaccination has made to protect public health for the past two decades](#)

As the 20th European Immunisation Week kicks off today, we celebrate the incredible progress vaccination has made to protect people's health over the past two decades and call for bold leadership and enhanced commitment to sustain this progress in the years to come.

OECD [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Organization of American States (OAS) [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases

[Statement of the OAS Electoral Observation Mission in Peru](#)

April,24, 2026

[OAS Mission in Guatemala Calls for Preservation of Legal Certainty and Institutional Stability in Election of Attorney General](#)

April,24, 2026

Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

[The OIC Strongly Condemns the Attack on the State of Kuwait](#)

2026-04-25

[The OIC Media Observatory on Israeli Crimes Against Palestinians Issues Its 125th Report, Tracking Settlement Expansion in the West Bank with 145 Activities in One Week](#)

2026-04-21

Group of 77 [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest Statements and Speeches [Selected]

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China delivered by the delegation of Uruguay during the adoption of the outcome document of the [2026 ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development Follow-up \(New York, 24 April 2026\)](#)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by the Delegation of Uruguay at the ECOSOC special [high level meeting with the Bretton Woods Institutions \(New York, 21 April 2026\)](#)

Statement on behalf of the Group of 77 and China by the Delegation of Uruguay at the General Debate of the [2026 ECOSOC Forum on Financing for Development Follow-up \(New York, 20 April 2026\)](#)

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UNCTAD [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://unctad.org/>

Press Releases

22 April 2026

[Driving greener, more resilient ports](#)

UNCTAD/PRESS/PR/2026/004 — Geneva, Switzerland

World Customs Organization – WCO [to 015 Oct 2022]

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

Latest News

21 April 2026

[Op-Ed from Secretary General Ian Saunders of the World Customs Organization / A steady hand at the border – why Customs matters more than ever](#)

UNWTO World Tourism Organization [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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WTO - World Trade Organisation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

WTO News and Events [Selected]

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IPU Inter-Parliamentary Union [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Press releases

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[152nd IPU Assembly in Türkiye calls for peace amid Middle East conflict](#)

European Court of Human Rights

<https://www.echr.coe.int/>
News, Announcements
No new digest content identified.

International Court of Justice [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.icj-cij.org/en/press-releases>
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

International Criminal Court (ICC) [to 25 Apr 2026]

Trying individuals for genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity
<https://www.icc-cpi.int/>
News [Selected]

[ICC Pre-Trial Chamber I confirms all charges against Rodrigo Roa Duterte and commits him to trial](#)

Press Release 23 April 2026

[ICC Appeals Chamber confirms jurisdiction in Duterte case](#)

Press Release 22 April 2026

International Law Commission [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://legal.un.org/ilc/>
Recent Developments
No new digest content identified.

International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) [to 25 Apr 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 25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all>
News [Selected]

[Syria: World Bank Approves US\\$225 Million Financing to Restore Water and Health Services](#)

Two new IDA grants will improve water and health service delivery to 4.5 million Syrians across the country WASHINGTON, April 23, 2026 – The World Bank Board of Executive Directors approved today US\$225...

Date: April 23, 2026 Type: Press Release

[2026 FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT FORUM - UNITED NATIONS ECOSOC](#)

Opening Remarks as Delivered Secretary-General, Excellencies, dear partners, friends, First, allow me to reflect on what is on all our minds. We meet at a moment of reckoning. The impact of the war/crisis...
Date: April 21, 2026 Type: Speeches and Transcripts

IMF [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest News

April 17, 2026

[**Press Briefing Transcript: International Monetary and Financial Committee, Spring Meetings 2026**](#)

African Development Bank [to 25 Apr 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

No new digest content identified.

Asian Development Bank [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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Latest News Releases

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[**ADB Approves \\$250 Million Loan to Implement Social Protection Reforms in Bangladesh**](#)

23 Apr 2026

[**ADB Scaled Up Operations to \\$29.3 Billion in 2025 to Build Resilience in Asia and the Pacific**](#)

23 Apr 2026

[**ADB Commits \\$680 Million for Pacific Development in 2025**](#)

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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

News

Beijing, April 24, 2026

[**AIIB to Lend USD 500 million to Support Water Efficiency and Climate Resilience in Türkiye**](#)

IDB – Inter-American Development Bank [to 25 Apr 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

[**OECD and IDB Group Launch 2026 Caribbean Development Dynamics Report with Actionable Policy Recommendations**](#)

New Analysis Charts Path to Scale Investment and Bolster Sustainable Resilience Across the Caribbean
PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad and Tobago — Greater investment is needed for Caribbean countries to strengthen resilience, close infrastructure gaps and achieve sustainable growth, according to a new joint...
April 21, 2026

[IDB Group Advances Regional Cooperation at ONE Caribbean Ministerial Dialogue](#)

Two-Year Milestone of the Program Yields New Actions on Cybersecurity, Capital Markets, and Fiscal Research

PORT OF SPAIN, Trinidad and Tobago — The Inter-American Development Bank Group (IDB Group) launched three key regional initiatives on cybersecurity, capital market integration and fiscal policy...
April 21, 2026

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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Press release 24 April 2026

[Acute food insecurity and malnutrition remain alarmingly high as crises deepen, UN, EU and partners warn in new report](#)

Over the past decade acute hunger numbers have doubled, while funding retreats to 2016 levels.

Call for proposals 24 April 2026

[Call for Proposals: Selecting an implementing partner for the grant "Public-Private Producer Partnerships for Sustainable Irrigation Development Investments in East and Southern Africa \(4P4SID\)](#)

The grant aims to generate context-specific knowledge and practical solutions to enhance the sustainability of smallholder irrigation schemes in East and Southern Africa through Public-Private

Islamic Development Bank [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

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

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

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:: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch

We monitor media releases and other announcements around key initiatives, new research and major

organizational change from a growing number of global NGOs, collaborations, and initiatives across the human rights, humanitarian response and development spheres of action. We will not reference fundraising announcements, programs, events or appeals, and generally not include content which is primarily photo-documentation or video in format.

Action Contre la Faim – Action Against Hunger [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org>

Communiqués de presse

No new digest content identified.

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://alima.ngo/>

Our Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://amrefusa.org/media-and-resources/news/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://aravind.org/>

Aravind News

No new digest content identified.

Blue Shield International [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

BS International News

No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Updates

[BRAC to provide 1.5 million syringes for the measles vaccination campaign](#)

24,000 BRAC community health workers deployed

[Undated]

To help prevent the spread of measles, BRAC is supporting the nationwide vaccination campaign that began today, Monday, by providing medical supplies and field-level support. As part of this initiative, BRAC is supplying 1.5 million syringes. Around 24,000 BRAC community health workers across 36 districts will also support efforts to bring children to vaccination centres.

Under the government's Expanded Programme on Immunisation (EPI), vaccination activities began on 20 April across all upazilas, districts, municipalities, and city corporations nationwide. Earlier, on 5 April, a measles-rubella vaccination campaign for children aged between six months and five years was launched in 30 high-risk upazilas and 13 municipalities across 18 districts, following a measles outbreak in the country...

Clubhouse International [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News/Events

No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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[Sudan: communal kitchens deliver meals to hundreds of households](#)

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[Ukraine: Keeping the lights on where the frontline is near](#)

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[Forgotten Survivors: New DRC Report Reveals Systematic Failure to Assist Gaza's Explosive...](#)

ECPAT [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://ecpat.org/>

News

[How civil society and digital communication platforms can collaborate to support healthier online experiences for teen gamers](#)

Apr 20, 2026

EIFL – Electronic Information for Libraries [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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

[Three more projects advancing no-fee OA journals in Africa](#)

23 Apr 2026

We're happy to share reports from three more projects strengthening the quality and sustainability of no-fee open access (OA) journals in Africa (...)

Open Access Programme - Ghana, South Africa

[Serbia consults on copyright](#)

15 Apr 2026

In April 2026, EIFL submitted comments for a public consultation organized by the Intellectual Property Office of the Republic of Serbia on the (...)

Copyright and Libraries Programme - Serbia

[EIFL signs with Encyclopaedia Britannica Ltd](#)

14 Apr 2026

EIFL has signed a three-year agreement with Encyclopaedia Britannica Ltd providing discounted pricing for Britannica Academic, a comprehensive, (...)

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

Fountain House [to 25 Apr 2026]
<https://www.fountainhouse.org/news>
No new digest content identified.

GE2P2 Global Foundation [25 Apr 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 – 19 March 2026](#)
:: [Genomics, Gene Editing, Convergent Biosciences: Governance, Ethics, Policy, Practice – A Monthly Review – Nov 2025](#)

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 25 Apr 2026]
<https://hi.org/en/>
News
[HI thanks the Ministry of Health for its leadership and support](#)
Emergency | Health | Lebanon | PUBLISHED ON April 24th 202
HI was honored to welcome Lebanon's Minister of Health to a shelter in Beirut where HI, under the Ministry's leadership, delivers emergency response to displaced persons.

Heifer International [to 25 Apr 2026]
<https://www.heifer.org/about-us/news.html>
News
[In Southern Ecuador, Coffee Farmers Earn More While Restoring the Land](#)
By Heifer International | April 21, 2026

HelpAge International [to 25 Apr 2026]
<https://www.helpage.org/newsroom/latest-news/>
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[Lebanon: Maintaining water and essential lifelines as hostilities disrupt essential services](#)
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<http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/>
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Six months after Hurricane Melissa, locally led recovery will determine how communities withstand future shocks

22/04/2026 | *Press release*

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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Story

Caring for Children and Displaced Families in Somalia

April 23, 2026

For millions of children in Somalia, life is shaped by death, displacement and uncertainty—and access to healthcare means the difference between crisis and recovery. That’s where International Medical Corps comes in. Our mobile teams provide exams, medicines and therapeutic food to families living in sites for internally displaced persons (IDPs), while our doctors and nurses ...

IRC [International Rescue Committee] [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases

IRC, through Gavi’s ZIP program, Surpass 30 Million Vaccine Doses, Reaching Over 1 Million Zero-Dose Children in Crisis Settings

April 23, 2026

Press Release

Six months on from the ‘ceasefire’, IRC warns that Gaza’s deepening humanitarian catastrophe cannot be forgotten as world’s attention shifts away

April 20, 2026

IRCT [to 25 Apr 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 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest news and updates

Sudan News

Islamic Relief Sudan honoured for role in supporting vulnerable communities

April 21, 2026

Mercy Corps [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News Releases & Alerts

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest [Selected Announcements]

Lebanon

[Southern Lebanon after 46 days under continuous attacks by Israeli forces](#)

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Papua New Guinea

[Building a support system for victims and survivors of violence in Jiwaka](#)

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Iran

[Iran: Despite ceasefire, access to essential medical care remains fragile](#)

Project Update 23 Apr 2026

Honduras

[A safe space for LGBTQI+ patients in San Pedro Sula](#)

Project Update 22 Apr 2026

Ukraine

[When chronic illness turns critical in Ukraine](#)

Project Update 21 Apr 2026

The New Humanitarian [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

Aid and Policy Cheat Sheet 24 Apr 2026

[Iran talks hiatus, Tigray abuses, and a decade of aid sector learnings](#)

Migration - Investigations

23 April 2026

[What happened to the 300,000 asylum seekers stranded in Mexico by Trump?](#)

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News & Press Releases

Press release

[West Bank: Sexualised violence drives Palestinian displacement](#)

20. Apr 2026

OXFAM [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases/Stories

Story

No new digest content identified.

Pact [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest News & Highlights

No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News & Stories

[Nurses of the World: Meet PIH Liberia's New Director of Nursing](#)

Veronica Nimene changed careers to nursing and one of her first jobs, in 2005, was at a hospital in Liberia that PIH began supporting years later. In 2026, she returned for the first time.
April 23, 2026

PATH [25 Apr 2026]

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

Newsroom [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Save the Children [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest news

24 Apr 2026 *Lebanon*

[Lebanon: A week since temporary ceasefire, more than one million people still displaced as drones continue to hover](#)

Whilst an extension of the ceasefire has been agreed, children still cannot tell the difference between the sound of thunder and bombs, as families are too afraid to return home.

24 Apr 2026 *Zimbabwe*

[Aid cuts threaten Zimbabwe's malaria gains, with cases and deaths surging – Save the Children](#)

As of mid-April, Zimbabwe had recorded over 65,000 malaria cases in 2026, nearly double as many malaria cases compared to the same period in 2025, with 174 deaths already — nearly double the number for 2025.

23 Apr 2026 *Bangladesh*

[Rohingya boat departures nearly double this year as aid cuts and insecurity force families out of camps](#)

The worrying increase comes ahead of the region's annual monsoon season, which brings heavy rains and winds, and puts refugees fleeing by boat at heightened risk of capsizing on choppy seas.

23 Apr 2026 *GLOBAL*

[Cases of measles surge in conflict zones amid vaccine misinformation and cuts to international aid](#)

Cases of measles increased over 25% in conflict zones last year, amid attacks on health care, aid cuts, vaccine misinformation, and disruption to health systems .

22 Apr 2026 *Occupied Palestinian territory*

[OPT: West Bank children hold tenth day of peaceful protest after school blocked by Israeli settlers](#)

Students supported by Save the Children have been blocked from entering their school by an illegal barbed-wire fence, erected by Israeli settlers in the West Bank.

20 Apr 2026 *Pakistan*

[More than 2.7 million children aged under five in Pakistan face acute malnutrition – Save the Children](#)

The new analysis from the Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC), the world's leading authority on hunger monitoring, further found that about 706,000 children out of the 2.7 million in 45 rural districts assessed in three provinces are predicted to suffer from severe acute malnutrition before September this year.

Tostan [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News & Stories

No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Articles

No new digest content identified.

World Vision [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Featured Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

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Electronic Frontiers Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Our Work

Press Release | April 22, 2026

[EFF Sues DHS and ICE For Records on Subpoenas Seeking to Unmask Online Critics](#)

SAN FRANCISCO – The Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF) sued the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) today demanding public records about their use of administrative subpoenas to try to identify their online critics.

Freedom House [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News Releases & Statements

[Leading Global Voices Call for Renewed Solidarity in Support of the Iranian People](#)

The people of Iran should be able to freely determine their country's future.

April 20, 2026

WASHINGTON—Leading democracy organizations and experts issued a joint statement, released today by Freedom House, to emphasize that the future of Iran should belong to its people. At a moment of

heightened uncertainty, the statement underscores that the rights and aspirations of the Iranian people must not be sidelined. The joint statement said, “The next chapter in Iran must be shaped by Iranians themselves—especially the courageous human rights defenders, civil society leaders, labor organizers, women’s rights advocates, and prodemocracy voices who have spent years insisting on dignity, justice, and freedom.” The statement called on the international community to “protect lives, amplify Iranian voices, and support a future grounded in freedom, security, and the rule of law.”

Human Rights Watch [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

April 24, 2026 | *News Release*

[Zimbabwe: Crackdown on Student Protesters Intensifies](#)

Zimbabwean authorities have harassed, abducted, and arbitrarily detained student leaders protesting a proposed constitutional amendment to extend presidential terms.

April 23, 2026 | *News Release*

[Uganda: Sovereignty Bill Threatens Speech, Assembly](#)

April 23, 2026 | *News Release*

[Vietnam: New Retaliatory Decree Targets Lawyers](#)

April 23, 2026 | *Commentary*

[Lack of Principled African Leadership, Action in Sudan](#)

April 23, 2026 | *Dispatches*

[Who Benefits from Thai Foreign Minister’s Visit to Myanmar?](#)

Transparency International [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.transparency.org/en/news>
News
No new digest content identified.

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ChildFund Alliance [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://childfundalliance.org/>
Newsroom
No new digest content identified.

CONCORD [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://concordeurope.org/>
Latest News and Events
No new digest content identified.

The Elders [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://theelders.org/news-insight>
Elder’s Statements, News

[Annual Review 2025: Learning from history, leading for the future](#)

23 April 2026

The Elders' 2025 Annual Review is now available to download. It highlights our activities from the past year, including meetings with world leaders and visits to twelve countries.

Speeches and Discussions

[The UN Security Council needs to change, before it is too late](#)

Juan Manuel Santos

20 April 2026

Juan Manuel Santos lays out a vision for urgent UN Security Council reform
Español

Gavi [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News Releases

24 April 2026

[Africa's routine vaccine systems deliver gains against cancer and malaria, but funding pressures loom](#)

:: HPV vaccination will help avert nearly one million cervical cancer deaths and produce an estimated US\$ 1.8 billion in economic gains across African implementing countries.

:: Malaria vaccines are available routinely in 25 African countries, with early reports already highlighting strong impact in the form of lives saved, reduction in severe disease and hospital admissions.

:: While malaria transmission continues to rise in parts of the continent, progress against both malaria and cervical cancer is at risk due to funding constraints.

24 April 2026

[Largest catch-up initiative delivers over 100 million childhood vaccinations](#)

Global Fund [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News Releases

23 April 2026

[Global Fund Launches Regional Malaria Grant for Southern Africa, Bolsters Response to Rising Risk from Extreme Weather Events in Mozambique](#)

The Global Fund today announced a new phase in the fight against malaria in southern Africa, launching the MOSASWA multi-country grant alongside additional emergency and weather-responsive investments to address rising malaria risks across the region...

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Blogs, Press Releases & Statements

[Sexual Violence and Forcible Transfer in the West Bank - How the Exploitation of Gender Dynamics Drives Displacement](#)

This NRC report documents gender-based and sexualised violence perpetrated by Israeli settlers against Palestinians in Area C of the West Bank in contexts where Israeli forces were present and did not prevent or halt the violence, nor effectively investigate the abuses. In these circumstances, such violence is not occurring in isolation. It operates within a coercive environment that contributes to

23 April 2026

Returning to uncertainty: The situation of Afghan returnees

The brief draws on field insights from INTERSOS teams and testimonies collected from returnee families across several provinces. It highlights the largely involuntary nature of returns from neighbouring countries, as well as the immediate and longer-term needs related to health, protection, shelter, livelihoods, and access to basic services. It also outlines key gaps in the current response, parti

21 April 2026

Risk-Sharing Frameworks in Humanitarian Partnerships – A Multi-Country Study on Equitable Partnerships

Conducted by People In Need, this study was developed to provide a closer look at how risk is perceived and managed between international and local actors, offering recommendations for shifting these dynamics.

21 April 2026

InterAction [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest Updates

No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

What's New/Events

No new digest content identified.

CHS Alliance [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://chsalliance.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

(ALNAP) Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

LATEST PRESS RELEASES

No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://www.elrha.org>

News

No new digest content identified.

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Publications, Events, News

No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://ihsa.info/>

News, Events

[IHSA's Humanitarian Blog Posts Selection](#)

04/27/2026

IHSA is pleased to present its weekly selection of humanitarian blog posts.

This week's selection spotlights profound humanitarian crises where **climate disasters and armed conflicts erode human dignity and security worldwide**. Bangladesh grapples with **climate-driven internal migration from floods and salinity**, overwhelming cities like Dhaka and trapping families in **urban poverty without adaptive support**, while Pacific islands like Tuvalu face "**sinking sovereignty**," leaving displaced citizens in legal limbo.

Lebanese aid workers endure **repeated displacements and emotional exhaustion amid relentless bombings, even as ceasefires exclude them**, while Gaza residents describe **life as a "prison without walls" of movement curbs, scarce aid, and camp hardships**.

Doctors mourn attacks on hospitals in Gaza and Lebanon, **denying vulnerable patients refuge**, as Palestinian women prisoners **face starvation, torture, and isolation, and schoolgirls in Iran perish in strikes that shatter education's sanctity**. Evacuation orders in Gaza and Lebanon spark **mass suffering, masking deeper displacement risks**. Cuba's blockade fuels **daily shortages**.

Themes from this week's selection include aid worker resilience, eroded civilian protections like healthcare and schools, migration's toll on livelihoods, and urgent needs for psychosocial support, legal safeguards, and holistic recovery.

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://inee.org>

Resources

Webinar

[Education in the Gulf States: Integrating Psychosocial Support in Education Systems During Times of Uncertainty](#)

This brief was developed to support the dissemination of advocacy messages from a webinar hosted by the Inter-agency Network for Education in Emergencies and UNESCO on 22 April, 2026. For more information about the event and to watch the recording, please visit the [webinar landing page](#).

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 25 Apr 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 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

[Using the Safe Water Optimization Tool \(SWOT\) to support WASH Standard 2.2](#)

24 April 2026 | Sphere

James Brown, Technical Advisor, Dahdaleh Institute for Global Health Research, York University

Providing safe drinking water is a core priority in humanitarian response. Sphere Water Supply Standard 2.2: Water quality (“WASH Standard 2.2”) states...

Start Network [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News and Blog

No new digest content identified.

Unitaid [25 Apr 2026]

<https://unitaid.org/>

News releases

Opinions & blogs

[Malaria at a crossroads: Progress at risk despite community-driven innovation](#)

20 April 2026

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Brookings [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Research, Events

Research

[How can we best evaluate agentic AI?](#)

A Brookings-Carnegie Mellon University workshop recap

Elham Tabassi, Ramayya Krishnan, Enkhjin Munkhbayar, Nitya Nadgir, Derek Belle, and Rachel Dzombak

April 24, 2026

:: Many existing practices for evaluating AI are ill-suited to agentic AI systems that act autonomously over time, interact with users and environments, and pursue open-ended goals.

:: As agentic systems rapidly advance, developing a research roadmap for measurement is critical to building evidence-based governance frameworks that can keep pace with technological change.

:: On October 14, experts from government, academia, civil society, and industry discussed opportunities for developing both a shared definition of agentic AI and methods to evaluate it that are standardized, transparent, and reproducible.

Commentary

[Foresight Africa at the 2026 Spring Meetings: Claver Gatete on guiding global development through uncertainty](#)

Landry Signé and H.E. Claver Gatete

April 23, 2026 Podcast

Center for Global Development [25 Apr 2026]

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

All Research

No new digest content identified.

Chatham House [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Selected Analysis, Comment, Events

[Is the shock of the US-Iran war helping Europe come together? Independent Thinking podcast](#)

EU expansion, energy shocks, and uneasy alliances: will the conflict in the Gulf – and other crises – force a more unified European strategy?

Audio

Published 24 April 2026 35 minute listen

Featured content

Expert comment

[The Strait of Hormuz energy crisis shows the EU's carbon pricing is the right approach](#)

The current crisis shows that Europe must transition to renewables to reduce its dependency on volatile fossil fuels. This week's AccelerateEU plan rightly reaffirms that goal.

24 April 2026 4 minute READ

Expert comment

[A Taiwan crisis would cause far more global economic damage than Strait of Hormuz disruption](#)

As China ramps up its pressure on Taiwan, the Strait of Hormuz closure must serve as a wake-up call for European policymakers.

22 April 2026 3 minute READ

News release

[Lord Robertson: UK's 'naïve belief' the US 'will always be there' has diminished its defence capabilities](#)

Lord Robertson, former NATO Secretary-General, was speaking at a Chatham House event to launch a House of Lords report on UK–US relations.

23 April 2026 1 minute READ

Expert comment

[Israel's perpetual mobilization: The limits of Netanyahu's 'Super-Sparta' model](#)

Most Israelis support continued conflict with Iran and Hezbollah. But polls show fewer believe in the government's ability to deliver victory.

22 April 2026 3 minute READ

Policy paper

[Democratic elections in Venezuela won't happen overnight – here's the groundwork that's needed first](#)

As Venezuela adjusts to the post-Maduro era, calls for elections are growing among the opposition and foreign governments. The urgent question is how to act quickly enough to take advantage of the new political situation without neglecting the unavoidably complex political and institutional preparatory reforms essential for ensuring credible elections.

20 April 2026

Council on Foreign Relations [25 Apr 2026]

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

Featured Content

What Comes After Trump's Iran War Ceasefire Extension?

By Michael Froman

April 24, 2026

How Rafael Grossi Would Lead the United Nations: Three Interview Takeaways

April 24, 2026

Washington's Growing Portfolio: Tracking U.S. Government Investments

By Jonathan E. Hillman

April 22, 2026

A Fed Under Warsh: What the Confirmation Hearing Tells Us

April 22, 2026

Taiwan's Political Polarization Is Playing Into China's Hands

By David Sacks

April 22, 2026

CSIS [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Reports [Selected]

Delays and Uncertainty in the Export Licensing Process: Findings from a CSIS Survey of U.S. Technology Exporters

Longer export licensing timelines last year imposed measurable costs on U.S. firms, including lost contracts, reputational damage, and more.

Brief by Kate Koren and Philip Luck — April 21, 2026

Last Rounds? Status of Key Munitions at the Iran War Ceasefire

The United States has depleted its missile inventories but still has enough to continue fighting this war under any plausible scenario. The risk is with future wars—particularly against a peer competitor like China.

Report by Mark F. Cancian and Chris H. Park — April 21, 2026

IS Global [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Newsroom

Research

New evidence highlights antibody durability as a key factor to improve the RTS,S malaria vaccine

22.04.2026

Antibodies against the C-terminal region of the CSP protein of 'P. falciparum' may better predict protection than traditional peak responses

McKinsey Global Institute [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Featured Research

No new digest content identified.

ODI [Overseas Development Institute] [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Publications

[Gender equality and the climate crisis: champions and backsliders](#)

23 April 2026

Working paper

[Anti-gender & anti-climate politics: exploring converging agendas in Global Majority countries](#)

22 April 2026

Working paper

[Delivering on adaptation finance goals: six recommendations for closing the gap](#)

22 April 2026

Working paper

Pew Research Center [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest Publications

Report Apr 23, 2026

[Americans Have Become Less Confident in Trump's Decision-Making on Ukraine](#)

Republicans and Democrats still have differing views of the war in Ukraine, though their opinions of Russia and Putin are broadly negative.

Rand [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Published Research [Selected]

Expert Insights Apr 24, 2026

[When Economic Security Meets Economic Statecraft: Principles for a New Era](#)

Economic security policy and economic statecraft—once parallel domains—are now colliding. The authors trace this collision through five phases of U.S. policy since 2001 and propose four principles to guide policymakers in this new era.

Expert Insights Apr 24, 2026

[Realizing the Promise of the Drone Revolution: Crosscutting Insights from RAND Research for the U.S. Department of War's Drone Dominance Efforts and Beyond](#)

This paper highlights key technological and other trends driving the drone revolution in the military and civilian sectors. The authors outline obstacles and next steps that the U.S. Department of War can take to leverage these developments.

Research April 20, 2026

[A Formal Model of How Artificial Intelligence Erodes Human Agency](#)

In this report, the authors draw on social choice theory to develop a formal model of how AI erodes collective human agency; they also model decisionmaking to identify the point beyond which this erosion could become irreversible.

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 25 Apr 2026]

<http://researchonresearch.org/>

RoRI News, Events

No new digest content identified.

Alan Turing Institute

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

News, Events

Event

[The Turing Lectures: Frontier AI under pressure - building resilience across layers](#)

Tuesday 28 Apr 2026

Time: 18:00 - 21:00

Urban Institute [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

New Research Publications - Selected

No new digest content identified.

The Wistar Institute [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Media [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

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ISC / International Science Council [to 25 Apr 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

21 April 2026

[Call for input: Science priorities for the next UN Secretary-General](#)

The International Science Council (ISC) is inviting its Members to contribute to an open letter to candidates for the next United Nations Secretary-General. At a time of growing geopolitical fragmentation and complex global challenges, this letter will convey a collective message from the scientific community on how science can support effective, cooperative, and informed multilateral action.

Global Research Council [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

National Academy of Engineering - USA [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest News & Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News, Stories, Insights

No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

National Endowment for the Humanities [U.S.] [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Newsroom

Website not responding at inquiry [Excessive crawling detected; We have blocked your request]

NIH [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News Releases

[Dr. Jonathan M. Green selected as CEO of the NIH Clinical Center](#)

April 21, 2026 — The NIH Clinical Center is the largest research hospital in the world.

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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 25 Apr 2026]

<https://cioms.ch/>

News; Publications; Events

No new digest content identified.

Hastings Center [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases, Events

No new digest content identified.

INSERM [to 25 Apr 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 25 Apr 2026]

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

News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selected]

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 25 Apr 2026] <https://www.nuffieldbioethics.org/news>

Blog

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

[WMA Council adopts revised Statement on Medical Care for Migrants](#)

25.04.2026

[WMA Council adopts Resolution on Escalating Global Armed Conflict and Violence and Restoring Peace](#)

23.04.2026

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- :: [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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:: 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 [25 Apr 2026]

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

No new digest content identified.

Gates Foundation [25 Apr 2026]

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

No new digest content identified.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 25 Apr 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 25 Apr 2026]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News & Updates

No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 25 Apr 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 25 Apr 2026]

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

News & Press

No new digest content identified.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest

No new digest content identified.

GHIT Fund [25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases

April 22, 2026

[**Total Investment of Approx. USD 8.5 Million in Malaria and NTD R&D Projects with Partners Including MMV, GSK, Tanabe Pharma, Eisai and DNDi**](#)

Grameen Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest Updates [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [25 Apr 2026]

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

Press Room

[Stuart Orkin Awarded the 2026 Breakthrough Prize](#)

HHMI Investigator Stuart Orkin honored for research that paved the way for new treatments for sickle cell disease and debilitating blood disorders affecting millions of people worldwide.

Apr 18, 2026

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

IKEA Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://ikeafoundation.org/>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest News and Highlights

[Comments From Richard Besser, MD, on Proposed Rule to Exclude Families with Mixed-Immigration Status from Critical Housing Support](#)

Regulatory Comments Apr-21-2026 Richard Besser

Kaiser Family Foundation/KFF [25 Apr 2026]

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

[Vaccinations](#)

Apr 23, 2026

Numerous actions by the federal and state governments in recent years have made changes to vaccine policies, including the set of recommended vaccines for children and adults and school vaccination requirements. This collection provides the latest state-specific data on vaccine requirements for school attendance, requirements for private insurance coverage of vaccines, child vaccination and exemption rates, and flu and pneumonia vaccination rates.

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

Apr 22, 2026 *Tracker*

This tracker provides up-to-date information on countries with signed bilateral MOU global health agreements with the U.S.

[Breaking Down the U.S. Global Health Budget by Program Area](#)

Apr 21, 2026 *Fact Sheet*

The U.S. government is the largest donor to global health in the world. This fact sheet breaks down the U.S. global health budget by program area: HIV/PEPFAR; tuberculosis; malaria/the President's Malaria Initiative; the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria; maternal & child health; nutrition; family planning & reproductive health; global health security; and neglected tropical diseases.

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Aga Khan Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

Lilly Endowment Inc. [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Endowment News

[**Lilly Center for Lakes & Streams to Benefit from \\$10 Million Grant from Lilly Endowment**](#)

April 20, 2026

MacArthur Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Latest News and Grantee News

No new digest content identified.

Mastercard Foundation [Canada] [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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No new digest content identified.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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No new digest content identified.

Novo Nordisk Foundation [Denmark] [to 25 Apr 2026]

<https://novonordiskfonden.dk/en/>

News and media

[**New funding opportunities pave the way for better diagnostics and treatment as well as for engineering efficient biosolutions and replacing critical and scarce resources**](#)

April 23rd, 2026

The Novo Nordisk Foundation Challenge Programme supports development of new knowledge to help tackle major societal challenges within human and planetary health. With total funding up to €80 million, four new themes are now open for applications from interdisciplinary research teams across Europe.

Open Society Foundations [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News

No new digest content identified.

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News Room

[Philadelphia's Past, Present, and Future](#)

Event April 28, 2026

Rockefeller Foundation [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

News and Announcements

[Rockefeller Foundation Announces Second Class of U.S. Big Bets Fellows at Baltimore Convening](#)

Press Releases Published Date April 21, 2026

Meet the fellows

:: 10 bold innovators from across the United States named to The Rockefeller Foundation fellowship dedicated to driving economic opportunity and helping their communities thrive.

:: Fellows focusing on distinct projects to help their communities realize economic opportunities, including: expanding workforce pathways, deploying blended capital for climate resilience, building AI-powered talent-matching tools, scaling registered apprenticeships, and strengthening regional innovation ecosystems.

[Rockefeller Foundation Launches \\$100 Million "Good Jobs for America" Strategy](#)

Press Releases Published Date April 21, 2026

:: New Big Bet on America's workers is part of \$300 million commitment to America's future, made since 2023, to help communities and workers thrive amid technological and economic change.

:: Scalable national jobs model aims to benefit up to 20 million people across 250 distressed communities nationwide.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 25 Apr 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 25 Apr 2026]

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

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No new digest content identified.

Stichting INGKA Foundation [Netherlands] [to 25 Apr 2026]

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No new digest content identified.

Tata Trusts [India] [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [25 Apr 2026]

<https://wellcome.org/>

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No new digest content identified.

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Candid [*formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar*] [to 25 Apr 2026]

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

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Council on Foundations [to 25 Apr 2026]

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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 17 2026 Issue 1

<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 2 (2026)

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

Target Article

Consciousness and Human Brain Organoids: A Conceptual Mapping of Ethical and Philosophical Literature

Aileen Van Gyseghem, Kris Dierickx & Andrew J. Barnhart

Pages: 78-92 Published online: 09 Jul 2025

Abstract

Human brain organoids (HBOs) are three-dimensional structures derived from human pluripotent stem cells that model aspects of fetal brain development. As HBO models grow more complex, ethical concerns arise, particularly around the potential for consciousness. Defining and detecting consciousness in HBOs remains unresolved, with existing theories offering conflicting predictions. This systematic review examines how consciousness is conceptualized in the ethical and philosophical literature concerning HBOs. We selected peer-reviewed publications written in English from 2013 onward that directly address consciousness regarding HBOs. After screening 51 sources, 24 were analysed in themes: Consciousness Terminology, Biological Limitations, Theories of Consciousness, Detecting Consciousness, Comparisons with Conscious Entities, and Special Entities. Uncertainty about consciousness in general complicates the conversation around HBOs. Clear communication is essential to avoid misconceptions, and future research may benefit from focusing on organoid intelligence as a more tractable concept.

Article Commentary

Definition-Independent Governance in Brain Organoid Ethics: Moving Beyond the Consciousness Threshold

Johnny Sakr

Pages: 93-96 Published online: 13 Apr 2026

Article Commentary

[Research on Brain Organoids Should Prioritize Questions of Agency, Not Consciousness](#)

Adina Roskies & Nicolas Rouleau

Pages: 96-98 Published online: 13 Apr 2026

The target article by Van Gyseghem et al. (Citation2026) surveys discussions of consciousness in papers involving human brain organoids (HBOs). They rightly point out that there are many divergent concepts and theories of consciousness in the philosophical and scientific literatures, as well as a longstanding uncertainty about how to empirically detect consciousness or its most reliable markers, especially in liminal cases. Arguably, HBOs are one of these hard cases, despite presenting as a tractable alternative to the complexities of animal brains. Although they originate from the stem cells of human embryos that would normally mature into conscious humans, and although they exhibit some neural correlates of consciousness (NCCs) such as high-frequency oscillations (Trujillo et al., Citation2019), HBOs are unlikely to be conscious in the absence of embodiment (Croxford and Bayne Citation2024)...

American Journal of Human Genetics

Apr 02, 2026 Volume 113 Issue 4 p637-888

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

[This month in The Journal](#)

Paul W. Hook, Alyson B. Barnes

Polygenic risk scores (PRSs) are promising tools that have the potential to help translate findings from genetic association studies into clinically meaningful health insights. As work on PRSs has increased, it has become clear that the accuracy of their predictions varies between and within ancestry groups. These performance issues have been primarily attributed to differences in genetic architectures between the populations used to construct scores and the populations or individuals in which the scores are applied.

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

May 2026 116(5)

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

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 114 (2026): Issue 4 (Apr 2026)

<https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/114/4/tpmd.114.issue-4.xml>

[Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

April 2026 Volume 179, Issue 4

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

Special Articles

[New GRADE Evidence-to-Decision Framework for Pairwise and Multiple Comparisons \(GRADE Guidance 45\)](#)

Jessica Beltran, MD... et al.

Pages:586–595

Antiquity – A Review of World Archaeology

Issue 409 - February 2026

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Anti-Trafficking Review

No. 23 (2024)

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

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

Special Issue - Following the Money II

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

This Special Issue of the *Anti-Trafficking Review* attempts to examine funding and spending on efforts to stop human trafficking, particularly, by the United States, United Kingdom, and the European Union. Featuring articles from academics, non-government organisations, and survivors of trafficking,

this edition explores where the money comes from, who it goes to, and what it actually achieves. The eight articles in the issue suggest that the millions of dollars spent on combating human trafficking do not always reach trafficked persons or at risk groups and, in some cases, are actively harming them. Authors point to potentially more effective uses of anti-trafficking funding.

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 354 May 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/354/suppl/C>

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Bioethics

Volume 40, Issue 3 Pages: 237-358 March 2026

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14678519/current>

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

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BMC Infectious Diseases

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

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BMC Medical Ethics

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BMC Medicine

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BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

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

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BMC Public Health

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

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Articles

[**HPV vaccine: the key to a powerful shield against cancer**](#)

Mustafa Kılavuz, Refika Genç, Emine Avcu

Research Open access 25 April 2026

BMC Research Notes

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

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BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

April 2026 - Volume 31 - 2

<https://ebm.bmj.com/content/31/2>

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BMJ Global Health

April 2026 - Volume 11 - 4

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

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Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

DIGITAL MAGAZINE - March 2026

<https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2026-03/>

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Volume 104, Number 4, April 2026, 209-284

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

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Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 52, Issue 2 March 2026

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

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Child Abuse and Neglect: The International Journal

Volume 173 March 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/child-abuse-and-neglect/vol/173/suppl/C>

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Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 119, Issue 4 Pages: 813-1111 April 2026

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

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Clinical Therapeutics

April 2026 Volume 48 Issue 4 p299-396

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

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Clinical Trials

Volume 23 Issue 2, April 2026

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Conflict and Health

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

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Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 163 April 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/163/suppl/C>

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The CRISPR Journal

Volume 9 Issue 2, April 2026

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/tcja/9/2>

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Current Medical Research and Opinion

Volume 42, Issue 1, 2026

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

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Current Protocols in Human Genetics

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

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Developing World Bioethics

Volume 26, Issue 1 Pages: 1-80 March 2026

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

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Development in Practice

Volume 36, 2026 Issue 2

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/36/2?nav=tocList>

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Development Policy Review

Volume 44, Issue 3 May 2026

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

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Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 20 - 2026

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

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Disasters

Volume 50, Issue 2 April 2026

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

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EMBO Reports

Volume 27, Issue 5 March 2026

<https://link.springer.com/journal/44319/volumes-and-issues/27-5>

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Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 32, Number 3—March 2026

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

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Epidemics

Volume 54 March 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/53/suppl/C>

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Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 154 - 2026

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

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Ethics & Human Research

Volume 48, Issue 2 Pages: 1-38 March–April 2026

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

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Ethics & International Affairs

Volume 39 - Issue 4 - Winter 2025

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Ethics, Medicine and Public Health

Volume 33 2025

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Volume 36, Issue 2, April 2026

<https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/36/2>

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Volume 137 November 2025

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/food-policy/vol/137/suppl/C>

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Food Security

Volume 18, Issue 2 April 2026

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12571/volumes-and-issues/18-2>

[Reviewed earlier]

Forced Migration Review (FMR)

FMR 76 November 2025

<https://www.fmreview.org/#latest-issue>

Climate change: Choices for displaced people

From rising sea levels threatening coastal populations to the intensifying frequency and severity of natural hazards, the climate crisis is rendering homes uninhabitable and futures uncertain for millions – especially for those who have been least responsible for climate change. The contributions to this issue of FMR emphasise that responses to climate displacement must be proactive, rights-based, and human-centered, moving beyond reactive measures. Authors from five continents share from their unique perspectives to bring you a rich body of articles which we hope will inform and inspire, bringing fresh thinking and provoking debate.

Foreign Affairs

March/April 2026 Volume 105, Number 2

<https://www.foreignaffairs.com/issues/2026/105/2>

[Reviewed earlier]

Forum for Development Studies

Volume 52, 2025 - Issue 2

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

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

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

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

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Gene Therapy – Nature

Volume 33 Issue 2, March 2026

<https://www.nature.com/gt/volumes/33/issues/2>

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

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Genetics in Medicines

Volume 28, Issue 4 April 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/genetics-in-medicine/vol/28/issue/4>

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

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Volume 18, Issue 2 June 2026

<https://link.springer.com/journal/12371/volumes-and-issues/18-2>

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Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)

December 2025 | Volume 13 | Number 2

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

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

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

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

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Global Public Health

Volume 21, Issue 1 (2026)

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

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Globalization and Health

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

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The Hastings Center Report

Volume 56, Issue 1 Pages: 5-51, ii-v January–February 2026

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/1552146x/2026/56/1>

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

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Health and Human Rights

Volume 27, Issue 2, December 2025

<https://www.hhrjournal.org/volume-27-issue-2-december-2025/>

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Health Economics, Policy and Law

Volume 21 - Issue 1 - January 2026

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

[Reviewed earlier]

Health Policy and Planning

Volume 41, Issue 4, April 2026

<https://academic.oup.com/heapol/issue/41/4>

Commentary

[**Sustaining health systems in sub-Saharan Africa: public–private partnerships in a new era of reduced donor funding**](#)

Rowan Haffner and others

Original Articles

[**Gavi's Zero-Dose Learning Hubs: enhanced approach for evidence generation and use from local to global**](#)

Heidi W Reynolds and others

Health Research Policy and Systems

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

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Human Gene Therapy

Volume 37 Issue 7-8, April 2026

<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/hgta/37/7-8>

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Volume 48, Number 1, February 2026

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<https://odihpn.org/>

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<http://www.idpjournal.com/content>]

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[Progress and challenges in development of minimum essential dataset for disease surveillance through a One Health lens: a scoping review](#)

Tianyun Li, Lijun Jia, Lefei Han

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Volume 18, Issue 2, March 2026

<https://academic.oup.com/inthealth/issue/18/2>

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Volume 14 (2025): Issue 2 (Dec 2025)

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Volume 138 May 2026

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International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 55, Issue 2, April 2026

<https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/55/2>

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International Journal of Heritage Studies

Volume 32, 2025 Issue 4

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

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International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

Volume 19, Issue 1 1 April 2026
<https://www.emerald.com/ijhrh/issue/19/1>
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Volume 60 Issue 1, March 2026
<https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/mrxa/current>
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International Review of Education – Journal of Lifelong Learning

Volume 72, Issue 1 February 2026
<https://link.springer.com/journal/11159/volumes-and-issues/72-1>
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International Review of the Red Cross

IRRC No. 930 December 2025
<https://international-review.icrc.org/reviews/irrc-no-930-symposium-on-colombias-jep-and-selected-articles>

Symposium on Colombia's JEP & Selected Articles

23 articles

This edition of the Review focuses on selected decisions of Colombia's Special Jurisdiction for Peace (Jurisdicción Especial para la Paz, JEP), with several contributions by individuals directly engaged in its work. It also features twelve thought-provoking articles covering a wide range of issues in international humanitarian law, policy and action, followed by a selection of reports and documents of interest to the Review's readers.

Issues in Science and Technology

Vol. XLII, No. 2, Winter 2026
<https://issues.org/issue/42-2/>

Working Proofs for State-Level Science

The past year's cuts to science funding, haphazard layoffs and rehires at federal agencies, and myriad threats to federal support for research universities have left many researchers demoralized. In fast-moving and deeply uncomfortable times like this, the science community searches for a story about where we are going. After nearly 80 years of federally driven science policy, the stories in this issue demonstrate that states can be places where transformative ideas about the relationship between science and the public can emerge, possibly offering new models to connect the research enterprise with society's needs.

JAMA

April 21, 2026, Vol 335, No. 15, Pages 1283-1372
<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/currentissue>
Editorial

[The Geography of Pharmaceutical Innovation - The US and China in a New World Order](#)

Richard Pazdur, MD; Steven Usdin

China's rise as a major center of drug development represents one of the most consequential shifts in the global life sciences landscape in a generation. From the patient perspective, a key policy question is how China's expanding capacity, spanning follow-on products that are based on an approved drug to

first-in-class innovation, can be integrated into regulatory frameworks to ensure timely and equitable access to medicines.

The study by Kang and Ji in this issue of JAMA¹ highlights China's contribution to the increasing scale of global drug development. Between 2015 and 2024, the number of drug development programs nearly doubled, from approximately 10 400 to roughly 19 000. During this period, activity in the US increased incrementally, from about 5000 to more than 7000 programs, yet the US share of such programs worldwide declined from approximately 48% to 37% as development expanded elsewhere. Most of this global growth occurred in China, where the number of drug development programs increased from about 830 to more than 6000.

Research Letter

[Geographic Shifts in Early-Stage Biopharmaceutical Innovation](#)

So-Yeon Kang, PhD, MBA; Yunan Ji, PhD

JAMA. 2026;335(15):1355-1357. doi:10.1001/jama.2026.1962

This study examines changes from 2015 through 2025 in the country of origin of early-stage biopharmaceutical development programs worldwide.

JAMA Health Forum

April 2026, Vol 7, No. 4

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

JAMA Forum

[Conspiracy Theories Are Incompatible With Effective Health Policies](#)

Ruth Shim, MD, MPH

open access

JAMA Health Forum. 2026;7(4):e261472. doi:10.1001/jamahealthforum.2026.1472

This JAMA Forum discusses 3 conspiracy theories being amplified by the Secretary of the US Department of Health and Human Services and the consequences of policy changes on US health.

JAMA Pediatrics

April 2026, Vol 180, No. 4, Pages 354-464

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[Editor's Note on CONSORT-C and SPIRIT-C Guidelines](#)

Dimitri A. Christakis, MD, MPH

JAMA Pediatr. 2026;180(4):440. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2026.0150

Special Communication

[CONSORT–Children and Adolescents \(CONSORT-C\) 2026 Extension Statement - Enhancing the Reporting and Impact of Pediatric Randomized Trials](#)

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This Special Communication outlines the new Consolidated Standards of Reporting Trials–Children and Adolescents (CONSORT-C) 2026 guidelines, which consist of 13 new items recommended to be reported in addition to the CONSORT 2025 items in pediatric randomized controlled trial reports.

[SPIRIT–Children and Adolescents \(SPIRIT-C\) 2026 Extension Statement - Enhancing the Reporting and Usefulness of Pediatric Randomized Trial Protocols](#)

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This Special Communication outlines the new Standard Protocol Items: Recommendations for

Interventional Trials—Children and Adolescents (SPIRIT-C) 2026 guidelines, which consist of 17 new items recommended to be reported in addition to the SPIRIT 2025 items in pediatric randomized controlled trial protocols.

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Editorial

[The US CDC on the brink](#)

The Lancet

On Aug 11, 2025, a gunman who falsely believed that mRNA COVID-19 vaccines were dangerous went on a shooting rampage at the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) main campus, shattering 150 windows and tragically killing a 33-year-old CDC security officer. Staff, still reeling from firings and programmatic shifts that began with the new Trump administration, were deeply traumatised. 8 months later, the windows have not been repaired. The CDC was once the gold standard for public health leadership. Today, it is struggling to maintain scientific excellence, trustworthiness, and relevance, a result of the actions of the Trump administration and the US Department of Health and Human Services that have undermined the agency.

80% of the CDC's highest positions are vacant, with directors of 20 out of 25 centres having left. An estimated 2000 staff, almost one in five, have been fired, and about 300 are on administrative leave. There is still no CDC director since Susan Monarez was fired less than 1 month into her appointment in August, 2025 because she refused to pre-approve vaccine recommendations and to fire career scientists. The agency's ability to protect health in the US has been badly eroded. Disease surveillance, for example, provides data to inform targeted public health planning and serves as the early warning system for outbreaks. The CDC has had to cut back on services it routinely provided for disease detection. One study found that 38 CDC datasets, mostly vaccination-related, have been halted. Without regularly updated data, the agency is flying without radar.

Internationally too, the CDC has a long-standing legacy of country and multilateral partnerships centred

on building sustainable public health capacity, accelerating disease eradication, and bolstering global health security that the Trump administration's stance now threatens. The President's Fiscal Year 2027 budget request for the CDC says that it aims to ensure that the CDC "serves as the nation's first line of defence against emerging infectious diseases". But CDC cannot gather epidemic intelligence and mount an outbreak response without international partners in other countries. It is hamstrung by Presidential Executive Order 14155, which barred CDC staff from communicating and coordinating with WHO, the global normative body for pandemic preparedness. CDC staff secondments to national governments and UN agencies, critical in disease elimination initiatives such as measles, polio, and hepatitis B elimination, have been an important way of furthering the agency's mission and cultivating strong relationships. They too have been cancelled. International candidates are no longer eligible to be admitted to the CDC's Epidemic Intelligence Service, the competitive postgraduate fellowship that has trained more than 4100 elite public health responders at home and abroad. Whatever its shortcomings, WHO serves a normative function in international health arising from its composition of 194 member states that cannot be replaced by the agency of one country, mandated to uphold an America First approach to global health.

What then, does the future of the agency look like? A new candidate for CDC director Erica Schwartz will go before the Senate. A retired rear admiral of the US Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, Schwartz is respected. But if appointed, she will inherit a CDC that is weak on multiple fronts, including its core mission to protect the public and respond to public health threats. How much she will be able to change the agency's fortunes under Robert F Kennedy Jr remains to be seen. In global health, the trend is towards building greater regional capacity, thereby empowering autonomous regional institutions. And domestically, as a recent report in *The Lancet* noted, there are multistate initiatives attempting to fill the gaps left in public health by the Trump administration. The West Coast Health Alliance, for example, brings together Washington, Oregon, California, and Hawaii, aiming to coordinate multistate responses to emerging public health gaps, including joint vaccine procurement and distribution, cross-state disease surveillance, and the development of shared guidance and policy. Do such initiatives represent the future of public health in the USA?

But while it's hard to argue against stronger state-level public health, and better state-level coordination, the alliances so far are concentrated in Democratic states, the risk being that—for all their good intentions—such initiatives risk further fracturing public health along political lines. Despite these developments, the USA still needs a strong federal-level agency that has the capacity, mandate, trust, expertise, and broad political support to protect health across the country.

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Mike May

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Andrew S. Robertson, Nahid Latif Lina Aljuburi

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[Technology, Research and Sustainable Development in the Spotlight at the Commission on Population and Development](#)

Diene Keita

Technology and research have been key in accelerating sustainable development. Yet technological change has also, in some cases, deepened inequalities and created new divides and challenges.

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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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[Multilinguality at the Edge: Developing Language Models for the Global South](#)

[Lester James V. Miranda](#), [Songbo Hu](#), [Roi Reichart](#), [Anna Korhonen](#)

Where and how language models (LMs) are deployed determines who can benefit from them. However, there are several challenges that prevent effective deployment of LMs in non-English-speaking and hardware constrained communities in the Global South. We call this challenge the last mile: the intersection of multilinguality and edge deployment, where the goals are aligned but the technical

requirements often compete. Studying these two fields together is both a need, as linguistically diverse communities often face the most severe infrastructure constraints, and an opportunity, as edge and multilingual NLP research remain largely siloed. To understand the state of the art and the challenges of combining the two areas, we survey 232 papers that tackle this problem across the language modelling pipeline, from data collection to development and deployment. We also discuss open questions and provide actionable recommendations for different stakeholders in the NLP ecosystem. Finally, we hope that this work contributes to the development of inclusive and equitable language technologies.

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[NeuroAI and Beyond: Bridging Between Advances in Neuroscience and Artificial Intelligence](#)

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Neuroscience and Artificial Intelligence (AI) have made impressive progress in recent years but remain only loosely interconnected. Based on a workshop convened by the National Science Foundation in August 2025, we identify three fundamental capability gaps in current AI: the inability to interact with the physical world, inadequate learning that produces brittle systems, and unsustainable energy and data inefficiency. We describe the neuroscience principles that address each: co-design of body and controller, prediction through interaction, multi-scale learning with neuromodulatory control, hierarchical distributed architectures, and sparse event-driven computation. We present a research roadmap organized around these principles at near, mid, and long-term horizons. We argue that realizing this program requires a new generation of researchers trained across the boundary between neuroscience and engineering, and describe the institutional conditions: interdisciplinary training, hardware access, community standards, and ethics, needed to support them. We conclude that NeuroAI, neuroscience-informed artificial intelligence, has the potential to overcome limitations of current AI while deepening our understanding of biological neural computation.

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[Human Cognition in Machines: A Unified Perspective of World Models](#)

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This comprehensive report distinguishes prior works by the cognitive functions they innovate. Many works claim an almost "human-like" cognitive capability in their world models. To evaluate these claims requires a proper grounding in first principles in Cognitive Architecture Theory (CAT). We present a conceptual unified framework for world models that fully incorporates all the cognitive functions associated with CAT (i.e. memory, perception, language, reasoning, imagining, motivation, and meta-cognition) and identify gaps in the research as a guide for future states of the art. In particular, we find that motivation (especially intrinsic motivation) and meta-cognition remain drastically under-researched, and we propose concrete directions informed by active inference and global workspace theory to address them. We further introduce Epistemic World Models, a new category encompassing agent frameworks for scientific discovery that operate over structured knowledge. Our taxonomy, applied across video, embodied, and epistemic world models, suggests research directions where prior taxonomies have not.

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[Call for inputs on assessing the implementation of cultural rights](#)

Issued by Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights **Deadline 22 May 2026**

Purpose:

To inform the report of the Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights to be presented to the UN General Assembly

Background

... The OHCHR developed and proposed **Human Rights Indicators^[1.1]**, and a *Guidance note on a human rights based approach to data: leaving no one behind in the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development*, which provide important guidance and elements of a common understanding about a

Human Rights-Based Approach to Data to be integrated in the context of the 2030 sustainable development agenda...

Objectives

The Special Rapporteur intends to build on the existing body of work to propose elements that should help States, institutions, decision-makers but also other stakeholders, to set benchmarks for accountability and measure progress in the implementation of cultural rights for all. The aim is that these elements may also contribute and strengthen the general framework of human rights indicators, the tools and indicators for specific cultural rights and the advocacy for a better mainstreaming of cultural rights in the 2030 sustainable development agenda or any new agenda for development after 2030, in particular through a stand-alone culture goal...

Human Rights Indicators: A Guide for Measurement and Implementation

UNHCHR - Policy and methodological publications

Published 01 January 2012

This publication aims to assist in developing quantitative and qualitative indicators to measure progress in the implementation of international human rights norms and principles. The Guide describes the conceptual and methodological framework for human rights indicators recommended by international and national human rights mechanisms and used by a growing number of governmental and non-governmental actors. It provides concrete examples of human rights indicators, and other practical tools and illustrations, to support the realization of human rights at all levels. The Guide is targeted at human rights advocates as well as policymakers, development practitioners, statisticians and others.

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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