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Week in Review

A highly selective capture of strategic developments, research, commentary, analysis and announcements spanning Human Rights Action, Humanitarian Response, Health, Education, Development, Heritage Stewardship, Peace-Conflict. Achieving a balance across these broad themes is a challenge and we appreciate your observations and ideas in this regard.

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COP31 – Conference & Programme

Programme Overview

The Programme of COP31 brings together global leaders, policymakers, scientists, businesses, civil society, and youth to **accelerate climate action and strengthen international cooperation.**

Throughout the conference, a wide range of sessions, dialogues, and high-level meetings will address the most pressing climate challenges while promoting practical solutions and partnerships. The programme is designed to support constructive dialogue, foster consensus among nations, and translate commitments into tangible action...

COP31 ends without climate pact as UN chief warns there is 'no ambiguity in the science'

UN News 22 November 2026

COP31 ended on Sunday without a climate pact after negotiators failed to overcome divisions over fossil fuels, bringing two weeks of talks and two days of overtime to a close that UN Secretary-General António Guterres described as a "deeply disappointing" setback.

- COP31 closed without a final climate pact after two weeks of negotiations and two days of overtime talks.
- Disagreement over fossil fuel language proved the main obstacle to consensus.
- Several countries formally objected to the final text, saying it weakened previous commitments and failed to meet the urgency of the climate crisis.
- António Guterres called the outcome a setback but insisted there remains "no ambiguity in the science" and urged faster climate action.
- Antalya has become the longest-running UN climate summit on record.

...The inconclusive talks followed days of deadlock over fossil fuels, with negotiators unable to bridge differences between a coalition of climate-vulnerable nations and countries pushing for a stronger commitment to move away from coal, oil and gas, and those seeking to protect economies heavily dependent on fossil fuel exports.

Multiple compromise drafts circulated by COP31 co-presidents Australia and Türkiye sought to win consensus, including by acknowledging that global warming is now on course to exceed the 1.5°C threshold while calling for expanded carbon-removal technologies.

But the effort ultimately failed, with critics arguing the text weakened previous commitments and fell far short of the action required to address the climate crisis.

Focus now shifts to COP32 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, where governments will face many of

the questions left unanswered in Antalya, from the transition away from fossil fuels to mobilizing climate finance for developing countries…

Statement by the Secretary-General - on the conclusion of COP31
22 November 2026
New York
I am deeply disappointed that COP31 has ended without consensus on an overarching outcome. I share the very profound frustration of all those who expected governments to rise to the moment the climate crisis demands.

But this setback does not change the facts. **There may be no consensus in the negotiating room. There is no ambiguity in the science**. Temperatures keep shattering records. Climate extremes keep intensifying. Emissions remain far too high. And every delay makes our task harder and more costly.

The world is now poised to exceed the globally-agreed limit of a 1.5 degree temperature rise. The window to keep that overshoot as short and shallow as possible is rapidly closing. The take-home message from COP31 is clear: the world must do much more to confront the climate crisis – and it must do it now.

That starts with facing up to how we got here. **Those who profit from the destruction of our planet must never dictate the terms of the fight to save it. Fossil fuels are driving the climate crisis. The continued addiction to coal, oil and gas is fueling climate chaos, exposing economies to price shocks, and undermining energy security.**

We can't put out the fire while pouring fuel on it.

Yet powerful fossil fuel interests continue to take a page from Big Tobacco's playbook: distorting the science, delaying policy, blocking action, and piling up huge profits while people everywhere pay the price.

At COP28 in Dubai, all countries agreed to transition away from fossil fuels in a just, orderly and equitable manner. The task now is to accelerate that transition, finance and deliver it. I welcome countries coming forward with concrete plans to do so.

We must build on the roadmaps advanced by the Brazilian COP30 Presidency on transitioning away from fossil fuels and reversing deforestation and forest degradation. The UN Climate Promise will support countries in turning those roadmaps into action.

To limit the magnitude and duration of the 1.5 degree overshoot, we need deep and rapid emissions this decade. Major emitters must lead. Developed countries must deliver on finance. And every country must do their part.

We also need far stronger protection for those on the frontlines. Developed countries must make good on their commitment to lead on tripling adaptation finance and ensuring that support reaches those who most need it. Put dates and dollars behind that pledge now. Lives depend on it. The countries that did least to cause this crisis cannot be left to face its worst consequences alone. This is a matter of climate justice.

The true test of climate action will be what happens beyond the negotiating halls: whether fossil-fuel dependence falls; clean energy surges; grids are built and modernized; methane emissions are slashed;

forests are restored; finance reaches developing countries; and people everywhere are protected from climate extremes, including through our Early Warnings for All initiative.

The United Nations will remain a committed partner in that mission.

As delegations depart COP31, I thank President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, the Government and people of Türkiye, and the city of Antalya for their hospitality; COP31 President Murat Kurum, President of Negotiations Chris Bowen and their teams; and the UNFCCC secretariat for their tireless work.
And, finally, I want to send a message to civil society, young people, Indigenous Peoples, scientists and frontline communities:

The climate crisis will not wait for governments to find common ground. Neither can we.

Keep spreading the facts. Keep demanding action. Keep turning up the heat. Hold governments and companies to account. And never relent in the fight for climate justice. I will be with you every step of the way.

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ICJ – Myanmar

Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (The Gambia v. Myanmar: 11 States intervening)
The Court delivers its Judgment on the merits
No. 2026/30
THE HAGUE, 19 November 2026. The International Court of Justice today delivered its Judgment on the merits in the case concerning Application of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (The Gambia v. Myanmar: 11 States intervening**). The Court found that Myanmar committed genocide against the Rohingya group in northern Rakhine State during the 2017 "clearance operations",** in violation of its obligations under the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide (the "Convention").

The Court also found that Myanmar violated its obligations under the Convention to prevent the commission of genocide by individuals acting alongside its security forces, to punish genocide and other acts enumerated in the Convention, and to enact the necessary legislation to give effect to the Convention. However, the Court found that Myanmar did not directly and publicly incite the commission of genocide by private persons against the Rohingya group in northern Rakhine State.

The Court further found that Myanmar violated its obligation under the Court's Order of 23 January 2020 **to take effective measures to prevent the destruction and ensure the preservation of evidence related to allegations of acts of genocide.**

As a consequence of these breaches of the Convention, **the Court ordered Myanmar: to cease any ongoing violations by enacting legislation giving full effect to its obligations under the Convention; to take immediate and effective steps to investigate all persons reasonably suspected of having committed acts contrary to the Convention and, if warranted, to prosecute and punish them**; to provide assurances and guarantees of non-repetition and prevent similar violations from occurring in the future; to adopt measures of restitution in the interest of the Rohingya, including allowing the safe, voluntary and dignified return to their place of residence and reunification of families for the Rohingya who were displaced as a result of the Respondent's wrongful

acts, whether they were displaced within Myanmar or abroad; and to compensate the Rohingya group and its members for the damage caused.

Finally, the Court decided that the question of the amount and the modalities of compensation or other reparation should be determined in a subsequent phase of the proceedings, and that, to that end, Myanmar should transmit to it, within two years of today's Judgment, a report on the measures of restitution it has adopted and the amount and modalities of compensation.

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A summary of the Judgment appears in the document entitled "Summary 2026/3", to which summaries of the opinions and declarations are annexed. This summary and the full text of the Judgment are available on the case page on the Court's website. Earlier press releases relating to this case are available on the Court's website.

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Hailing International Court of Justice Judgment that Myanmar Committed Genocide against Rohingya, Secretary-General Implores Government to Fully Comply with Ruling

19 November 2026 *Press Release*
SG/SM/23378
The following statement by UN Secretary-General António Guterres was issued today:

I welcome today's judgment of the International Court of Justice in The Gambia v. Myanmar case, which is a powerful recognition of the Rohingya victims of genocide. **It is a demonstration of international justice and a reaffirmation that impunity for such horrific acts must not stand. It is the first time that the Court has found a State responsible for committing genocide.**

The Court has determined that Myanmar committed genocide against the Rohingya group during the 2017 clearance operations conducted in northern Rakhine State. Myanmar violated the Genocide Convention by killing members of that community, causing them serious bodily or mental harm, and imposing measures intended to prevent births, with the intent to destroy a substantial part of the Rohingya population during these operations. In its judgement, the Court establishes an appalling picture of the reality of this case, including killings of more than 10,000 people, rapes and extreme hardship.

The Court also found that Myanmar violated its obligations under the Convention to Prevent Genocide, to punish genocide and other acts enumerated in the Convention, and to enact the necessary legislation to give effect to the Convention. The Court also found that Myanmar engaged in extensive destruction of evidence and created obstacles to effective investigation and prosecution, including by denying access to UN bodies.

This judgment is binding, final and without appeal. Myanmar must act in accordance with its obligation to comply with the Court's decision.

That includes ceasing any ongoing violation of the Genocide Convention by enacting appropriate legislation; taking steps to investigate, prosecute and punish perpetrators; providing assurances and guarantees of non-repetition; preventing similar violations from occurring; and providing adequate, effective and prompt reparation to the Rohingya, including through the safe, voluntary and dignified return to their place of residence and reunification of families.

I reiterate that breaking the cycle of impunity in Myanmar and ensuring accountability are essential to national reconciliation and durable peace.

This judgment will be studied carefully within the United Nations. International law, including the Genocide Convention, must be respected by all.

I urge the international community to strengthen collective action and support the efforts of my Special Envoy on Myanmar, Julie Bishop, to facilitate an inclusive political solution that also addresses the root causes of the Rohingya crisis.

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Myanmar: Türk lauds ICJ genocide judgment as critical moment for accountability
Press releases 19 November 2026
GENEVA – UN Human Rights Chief Volker Türk applauded today's landmark judgment by the International Court of Justice (ICJ) which found Myanmar committed genocide. He stressed that it is imperative for Myanmar to implement promptly the wide range of remedies ordered by the Court.

"This judgment clearly concludes the State of Myanmar stands responsible for one of the most egregious crimes known to humankind. The judgment must be a turning point for justice for the Rohingya and all people of Myanmar, and the start of a meaningful process to end impunity for the ongoing grave violations and abuses in Rakhine State," he said.

"The suffering, misery and humiliation inflicted on the Rohingya by the Myanmar State are a stain on the conscience of humanity. I salute the courage of the victims and survivors whose horrific experiences were before the Court. I commend the States that intervened in this case."

The High Commissioner stressed that the judgment shows that international law, supported by robust justice mechanisms, is an essential tool to determine the truth and to assign responsibility.

"This judgment must now translate into real action," the High Commissioner added. "The Court has made clear Myanmar's responsibilities. It sends a strong message to all States around the world that those responsible for genocide will be held to account."...

"There must also be no return of Rohingya to Myanmar until such time that there are conditions for safe and sustainable return," Türk said, also calling for the restoration of citizenship for Rohingya.
The High Commissioner warned against the risk of surging hate speech against the Rohingya.

"Hate speech against Rohingya has been a deeply rooted, recurring feature of the past decades, and a driver of the bloodshed in Myanmar," he said. "Social media platforms must review their content meticulously to ensure they do not fan even more incitement to hatred and violence and be held accountable when they fail to exercise due diligence in this regard."

"States must now reflect seriously on the implications of the Court's findings for their own relationship with those in power in Myanmar," Türk added. "They must do their utmost to bring justice and redress for Rohingya and an end to the violence and persecution that – as the Court detailed – have cast a dark shadow over the country for so long."

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"Synthetic Doubt"

Synthetic Doubt and the Integrity of Digital Proof before the International Criminal Court
Seyed Mohammad Sadegh Dashti
arXiv:2611.21455 PREPRINT

Generative artificial intelligence complicates evidentiary assessment at the International Criminal Court by enabling fabricated audiovisual material and making authentic digital evidence easier to dismiss as fake. This article calls the latter problem synthetic doubt: an objection alleging that a digital item may be AI-generated or AI-manipulated. Existing scholarship addresses digital evidence, open-source investigations and deepfakes in the ICC context. Yet the question of when synthetic doubt should trigger enhanced reliability review under the Rome Statute, without displacing the prosecution's burden under article 66 or compromising article 67 fair-trial rights, remains underdeveloped. The article proposes a three-stage framework: a baseline authenticity and provenance showing by the proponent; a case-specific articulation threshold for the objector; and proportionate reliability review by the Chamber under articles 64 and 69(4). The framework treats AI-related provenance information and synthetic-media detector outputs as contextual rather than dispositive.

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Gaza

ONE YEAR ON, GAZA'S 'PEACE PLAN' HAS FAILED, DELIVERING MORE DEATH, DISPLACEMENT, DESPAIR- HUMANITARIAN SCORECARD
New report from humanitarian organisations finds Gaza peace plan continues to fail as conditions are worsening and families face winter without shelter. Access the scorecard here
LONDON/GENEVA, 19 November 2026 - One year after an internationally backed 'peace' plan for Gaza was launched, it has received **a failing grade in a scorecard by five leading humanitarian organisations**, with nearly five deaths a day on average and over half the population living in temporary shelters.

The scorecard, led by the Danish Refugee Council, Norwegian Refugee Council, Oxfam, Refugees International, and Save the Children, gave a score of 4 out of 26 to the Trump administration's 20-point plan that was endorsed by the UN Security Council. This is down from a score of 5 in a scorecard on the same metrics at the six-month mark in April 2026.

The scorecard assesses progress against the 20-point plan's own objectives related to civilian protection, humanitarian access, reconstruction and economic development, and freedom of movement and return.

At least 1,650 have been killed and 5,975 wounded since the ceasefire was declared in October 2025, more than double the toll at the six month mark. Israeli forces now control up to 70% of Gaza, up from 58% at the start of the ceasefire. The UN has reported near-daily Israeli airstrikes in densely populated areas over the past year…

The Government of Israel continues to obstruct the delivery of shelter materials, medical equipment, and supplies needed to restore water and sanitation services, while nearly the entire population of 2.1 million civilians is struggling to access clean water, healthcare, and adequate food. All six wastewater treatment plants in Gaza remain out of service and not a single hospital is fully operational.

As Gaza faces its fourth winter with little protection from cold and rain, nearly 1 million Palestinians live in sites at medium or high risk of flooding and 89% of households report rodents inside their shelters. Already this month a rainstorm flooded more than 70,000 tents and a 9-month-old child was reported to have died of hypothermia.

The five organisations urge the UN Security Council, the Board of Peace, and Member States to use their leverage to secure immediate humanitarian access and enforce the ceasefire…

"One year ago, the world was promised that Gaza's children would finally see safety, relief and a chance to rebuild their lives. Instead, they are colder, hungrier, more traumatized and more at risk than they were before. This was supposed to be a roadmap out of catastrophe. Instead, catastrophe has deepened. The international community cannot continue to look away. The children of Gaza do not deserve this," said Inger Ashing, CEO of Save the Children International…

"The suffering of Gaza's 2.1 million people is not inevitable. The world must stop accepting it," said Jan Egeland, CEO of Norwegian Refugee Council. "Palestinians should have the opportunity to recover, rebuild their lives and work towards a better future. But this is not possible unless Israel fulfils its obligations under international law: opening all crossings, allowing humanitarian aid to enter, and ending its unlawful occupation of Palestinian land…

[*Additional quotations at title link above*]



scorecard here

Recommendations To the UN Security Council, the Board of Peace, and Member States:
Lifesaving Aid and Medical Care
Use all available leverage to compel Israeli authorities to:

- Immediately clear for entry the tents, tarpaulins, and blankets already staged at Gaza's borders, and

allow the unrestricted entry of all shelter materials. That means durable, quality materials, not tents and tarpaulins alone: timber for emergency shelter kits, insulation, raised flooring, caravans and prefabricated units, and materials to repair damaged buildings. Necessary materials also include heating fuel, engine oil, solar lighting, water pumps, and heavy machinery needed to keep sites livable, along with disability-adapted shelter kits, hearing-aid batteries, and other assistive devices.
- Facilitate a humanitarian response that meets the needs identified in a comprehensive humanitarian needs assessment.
- Ensure all the crossing points into Gaza are fully and consistently open in order to facilitate the predictable flow of goods at scale.
- Lift restrictions on pest-control, WASH, rubble-removal, and power-generation materials and spare parts, and bring the "dual use" list in line with international standards.
- Ensure that international organizations with Palestinian Authority registration are permitted to operate freely throughout Gaza and the West Bank, including sending staff and supplies into Gaza at scale and without arbitrary constraints or delays.
- Immediately restore freedom of movement for Palestinians into and out of Gaza, including for urgent medical evacuations, ensuring access is not subject to arbitrary delay, denial, or quotas and that leaving does not lead to forfeiture of the right to return.
- Restore the medical corridor between Gaza and the West Bank, including East Jerusalem, so that patients can access urgent medical care within the Palestinian territory.

Additionally, Member States should work with the Board of Peace to implement the following steps:

Aid Oversight

- Replace the Israeli government approval process and military inspections of aid convoys with an independent, transparent system to process and verify humanitarian goods at Gaza's border crossings—one that eliminates current barriers that block and delay aid delivery.
- Develop a pre-agreed list of essential humanitarian items, which would address dual-use policies and allow expedited entry into Gaza.

Ceasefire Enforcement and Accountability

- Take measures to enforce a permanent and fully honored ceasefire across the whole of Gaza, including by setting up an independent UN-mandated mechanism to monitor, verify, and report violations.
- Mandate quarterly reporting to measure progress against independently verified humanitarian outcomes and benchmarks—civilian casualties, food security and malnutrition, prices, access to basic services, and freedom of movement—rather than aggregate truck or tonnage counts.
- Use the diplomatic, legal, and economic tools available to them—including existing legal restrictions on arms transfers and security assistance—to secure compliance with the ceasefire, UNSCR 2803, and protection of civilians obligations.

Recovery and Reconstruction

- Ensure recovery plans guarantee full freedom of movement across Gaza for Palestinians and do not contribute to the confinement or forced displacement of Palestinians.
- Translate political commitments in the New York Declaration into tangible, coordinated action in support of Gaza's recovery and reconstruction.

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Parliamentary Governance – Gen AI

New IPU report encourages parliaments to put governance before technology
Inter-Parliamentary Union
Brussels, Belgium, 17 November 2026
The speed of technological change, as artificial intelligence (AI) permeates society, is making it hard for parliamentary governance and rules to keep up, according to a new report from the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU).

The World e-Parliament Report 2026 finds that legislatures which establish governance frameworks before deploying new technological systems advance more successfully than those that procure tools first and develop policies later.

Published by the IPU's Centre for Innovation in Parliament, the ninth edition of the biennial report **examines digital transformation across 118 parliaments and chambers in 89 countries, as well as in two supranational parliaments (the European Parliament and the Pan-African Parliament).**

The report notes that the two years since the 2024 report have been among the most consequential in recent history for technology. **Generative AI has moved from being a specialist tool to a mainstream workplace technology, with large language models increasingly embedded in software used by parliamentary staff, sometimes without a formal institutional decision or policy on their use.**

The report indicates that 88% of parliaments now report using AI, while governance, capacity and culture are struggling to keep pace with adoption.

It also warns that introducing AI into existing workflows without redesigning those workflows can allow old weaknesses to persist or even be amplified.

A widening digital gap
The report finds broad progress in the digital transformation of parliaments since 2024, but also a widening divide between the most and least digitally mature institutions.

The report links this divergence to differences in political leadership, innovation culture and institutional vision, rather than simply to levels of funding or technical skill.

The most advanced parliaments are those that connect technology investment directly to their strategic objectives and treat data as strategic infrastructure.

The report says that technical progress without strong data governance creates fragile systems, while treating data as institutional capital helps parliaments deploy advanced technology more safely.

More accountable parliaments
The IPU report argues that digital transformation is no longer an optional upgrade. It is **now the central mechanism through which legislatures can build operational resilience, deepen citizen engagement and strengthen legislative accountability.**

In an era of declining public trust and rising misinformation, parliamentary data must be accessible, usable and strategically targeted to support genuine two-way democratic dialogue with citizens…

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Digital government advances worldwide, but divides persist as AI transforms public administration, new UN survey shows

Republic of Korea, Denmark and Singapore lead in online public service delivery while 1.95 billion people live in countries where e-government services are below the global average

DESA 19 November 2026 - Digital government development continues to advance worldwide, but persistent disparities in connectivity, skills and institutional capacity are limiting the benefits of this progress, according to the 2026 United Nations E-Government Survey – From Digital Government to Agentic Government, launched by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs today. Marking 25 years of assessment, the Survey covers 193 UN Member States and, for the first time, the State of Palestine…

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Intellectual Property – Global Metrics

WIPO World Intellectual Property Indicators: Global Patent and Trademark Filings Hit Record High; India Crosses 100,000 Annual Patent Application Mark

World Intellectual Property Organization
Geneva, November 18, 2026 PR/2026/962

Innovators around the world filed a record 3.9 million patent applications in 2025, marking 6% annual growth and the fastest climb in nearly a decade, while India surpassed 100,000 annual patent applications for the first time, according to WIPO's annual World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) report.

Key Findings

- **In 2025, innovators residing in China (1.9 million), the US (489,766), Japan (466,301), the Republic of Korea (319,210) and Germany (132,714) led global patent filing.**
- Over the course of a decade, Asia's share of total patent applications filed globally has increased by 9.3 percentage points, from 61.9% in 2015 to 71.2% in 2025. This has been driven mostly by robust filing growth in China, which contributed around 68.5% of all applications filed within Asia during 2025.
- **Africa (3.4%) and Asia (4.6%) are the only two regions to record an average annual growth rate that is above the world average of 3.2% over the past decade.**
- **India's filings grew 37.5%, to 105,163 applications, in a seventh straight year of double-digit growth**. The increase comes amid strong economic expansion and rising R&D investment, while lower fees for start-ups, small businesses, universities and individuals have also widened access to patenting.
- **Computer technology remained the largest field of patenting in 2024, accounting for 13% of all published patent applications.**
- Using a new methodology, the WIPI finds that patent applications related to green technologies reached approximately 613,000 in 2024, an increase of 8.8% on the previous year.
- Energy storage (batteries) is now the single largest field, accounting for 17.4% of all green technology filings, followed by smart energy, grid and transmission (15.2%) and air pollution control (11.8%).
- **Denmark led among major origins in green technology intensity, with 31.9% of its total patent filings classified as green technologies.**
- **Global trademark filing rose by 4.1% in 2025**, after contractions in 2022 and 2023 and flat growth in 2024". The total number of classes specified in trademark applications increased by 632,800, from about 15.3 million in 2024 to an estimated 15.9 million in 2025.
- With growth in 2024 at just 0.1%, 2025 marks the first clear recovery in trademark filings, which are now about 5.4% above pre-pandemic levels. The rebound points to renewed business activity. Trademark growth was broad-based: applicants from India alone accounted for 17% of the global increase, followed

by those from the US and China (each around 10%), and from the UK, Argentina and Germany. Together, these six origins accounted for 59% of the net global increase.

- **Global design filing activity declined in 2025, with an estimated 1.5 million designs contained in applications,** down 4.3% on 2024. This largely reflects an 8.2% drop in China, partly due to an ongoing broader policy shift there away from volume-driven filing.
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NB: Some IP offices are reporting anecdotal evidence that AI drafting tools may have influenced patent filing patterns in 2025. They are seeing a rising share of applications from individuals, and examiners increasingly note text that seems to be AI-generated or AI-assisted . Some of the recent increase in filings may therefore reflect new ways of using the patent system, rather than additional investment in innovation, with implications for the workload of IP offices. WIPO will continue to research this issue.

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:: Agency/Government/IGO Watch

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

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18 November 2026 *Meetings Coverage*
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Briefed by International Criminal Court on Proceedings concerning Libya, Security Council Divided over Judicial Body's Role

Nearly 16 years after referring the situation in Libya to the International Criminal Court, the Security Council heard today that the upcoming trial of a former Libyan prison official marks a step towards justice for victims of atrocities, as its members clashed over sanctions, judicial independence and the Court's legitimacy.

16 November 2026 *Meetings Coverage*
SC/16511

Nearly Two Years after Assad's Fall, Deputy Special Envoy Warns Security Council on Syria's Political Gains, Persistent Violence

With the second anniversary of the fall of the Bashar al-Assad regime fast approaching, the Security Council today took stock of Syria's transition, with speakers highlighting political gains and persistent challenges.

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UNHCR launches new Refugee Data Portal to strengthen evidence and drive solutions for millions displaced
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"When a home and even a kindergarten are not safe, where can a child feel safe?" - Children in Ukraine face mounting casualties and relentless attacks
KYIV, 20 November 2026 –, "I am speaking to you today from what remains of a kindergarten in Ukraine's capital. "Just two weeks ago, this was a place filled with the sounds of children laughing, learning and playing. "Sixty small children, some as young as 18 months old, were enrolled here. This was where they we...

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Child casualties in Ukraine reach highest level in almost four years – UNICEF
KYIV, 20 November 2026, – At least 1,144 children have been killed or injured in Ukraine in the first ten months of 2026, a higher number of verified child casualties than in any of the past three years. According to the Human Rights Monitoring Mission for Ukraine (HRMMU), at least, , 114 children have been kill...

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Remarks by UNICEF Deputy Executive Director, ASG Ted Chaiban, at the Second Global Ministerial Conference on Ending Violence Against Children
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Fast facts: World leaders meet in Manila to end violence against children

MANILA/NEW YORK, 18 November 2026, – As government ministers, partners, survivors, and young people gather in Manila, Philippines, for the Second Global Ministerial Conference on Ending Violence Against Children this week (18 – 19 th November), UNICEF is calling on governments to turn commitments made in Bogotá t...

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WHO publishes second edition of the Global Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel

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Advocating for stronger, integrated cervical cancer prevention and care for women and girls living with HIV

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More countries have antimicrobial resistance plans but patients still lack testing and treatment

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How AI is helping reinforce polio surveillance in Africa

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PAHO Director reaffirms cooperation with Peru to strengthen the health system and address health priorities
Lima, Peru, 20 November 2026 (PAHO) – The Director of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Dr. Jarbas Barbosa, concluded his first official visit to Peru, during which he held meetings with government authorities, congressional representatives, and international organizations to advance shared health priorities, strengthen technical…
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PAHO warns of increasing resistance to antibiotics used to treat serious infections in the Americas
Over the past decade, surveillance data show a sustained increase in resistance to carbapenems. PAHO calls for stronger prevention and surveillance, as well as the responsible use of antimicrobials. Washington, D.C., November 18, 2026 (PAHO) – Resistance to antibiotics used as a last line of treatment for certain serious bacterial infections…
:: 17 Nov 2026
PAHO urges countries to step up efforts to stop measles outbreaks and move towards elimination in the Americas
The Region's measles resurgence has resulted in Bolivia, Mexico and the United States losing their measles elimination status, underscoring the urgent need to close vaccination gaps and strengthen surveillance and outbreak response. Washington, D.C., 17 November 2026 (PAHO) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) today called on countries…
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Measles in the Americas: Questions and Answers – Technical Reference for Journalists and the Public
What has happened to measles elimination in the Americas?1. Has the Americas lost its measles elimination status? Yes, the Region of the Americas lost its verification as free from endemic measles transmission in November 2025, following the re-establishment of endemic transmission in Canada. The decision was announced by PAHO on 10 November 2025,…

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WHO urges countries to accelerate action on national priority lists to improve access to assistive technology
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World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week 2026

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WHO/Europe launches new platform to improve access to new and innovative medicines
WHO has launched the European Access Dialogue Platform (EADP) – a new dialogue platform for open, structured and inclusive discussion across the lifecycle of new and innovative so called "novel" medicines.

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Turning healthy ageing data into action: the aim of a new WHO collaborating centre
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Resistance to key antibiotics is the norm for 2 common hospital bacteria in nearly half of reporting countries in the WHO European Region

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Toolkit of standard operating procedures for bacteriology, mycology and antimicrobial susceptibility...

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WOAH calls for heightened vigilance as reported avian influenza outbreaks rise
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An increase in reported outbreaks of high pathogenicity avian influenza (HPAI) in recent weeks highlights the need for preparedness and early detection. WOAH urges its Members to strengthen surveillance, reinforce farm biosecurity and monitor the occurrence of avian influenza in wildlife to better manage risk in poultry farms…

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Beyond the flames: COP31 event spotlighted climate-resilient forests
20 November 2026 - Wildfires do not end when the last flame is extinguished. They can damage soils and water systems, destroy homes and livelihoods, and leave forests and communities more exposed to the next climate shock. On 17 November, a high-level event at COP31 in Antalya, Türkiye, spotlighted a more integrated response.

20-11-2026 | DESA
One planet, one water future: From COP31 to the 2026 UN Water Conference
20 November 2026 - UN DESA brought together leading voices in the SDG Pavilion at COP31 in Antalya, Türkiye, for a side event homing in on 'One Planet, One Water Future: From COP31 to the UN Water Conference.' Taking place on Friday, 13 November, the forward-looking conversation examined the connections between water, climate change, biodiversity, desertification, environmental protection, and disaster risk reduction.

19-11-2026 | DESA
Digital government advances worldwide, but divides persist as AI transforms public administration, new UN survey shows
19 November 2026 - Digital government development continues to advance worldwide, but persistent disparities in connectivity, skills and institutional capacity are limiting the benefits of this progress, according to the 2026 United Nations E-Government Survey – From Digital Government to Agentic Government, launched by the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs today. Marking 25 years of assessment, the Survey covers 193 UN Member States and, for the first time, the State of Palestine.

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ILO Governing Body concludes its 358th Session
The executive body of the International Labour Organization discussed key labour issues, the Organization's financial situation and developments in several countries. It also re-elected Gilbert F. Houngbo as Director-General.
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ILO and China reaffirm commitment to South-South cooperation for decent work and social justice
Partnership
12th Joint Committee Meeting reviews progress and explores new opportunities to strengthen cooperation on employment, skills, social protection and emerging challenges in the world of work.
News | 20 November 2026

Gilbert F. Houngbo re-elected Director-General of the International Labour Organization
The ILO Governing Body re-elects Gilbert F. Houngbo as Director-General of the Organization for a second five-year term starting in October 2027.
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In the context of the escalation of the war in Ukraine following the invasion by the Russian Federation, UNESCO condemns the reported attack on Odesa on 18 November.
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UNESCO and the AXA Foundation for Human Progress launch a new initiative to better integrate scientific research in public policies
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AI models abandon climate facts at the first sign of user push-back, UNESCO-UCL report shows
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New edition examines fertilizer markets, Black Sea export disruptions, and developments in olive oil,

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World Food Programme Sets Out 2027 Plan to Assist 91 Million People in Need as Food Crisis Looms

17 November 2026
Winter Hits Gaza Hard as Food and Shelter Aid Runs Short, IOM and WFP Warn
Geneva/Rome – The International Organization for Migration (IOM) and the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) today warned that critical funding shortfalls and continued access restrictions are threatening humanitarian operations in Gaza as winter places increased pressure on vulnerable families. As the cold starts to bite, more than 1.7 million people remain displaced, 1.4 million face acute hunger and 1.98 million require shelter assistance.

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Joint Statement: Six months on, accessing hard-to-reach communities key to halting Ebola outbreak
Statement attributable to Africa CDC, UNFPA, UNICEF, WFP, WHO.
ADDIS ABABA, GENEVA, KINSHASA, NEW YORK, ROME - Six months into the Ebola outbreak caused by Bundibugyo virus in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, significant progress has been made in bringing lifesaving services closer to affected communities, despite immense challenges. However, fueled by ongoing conflict, displacement and humanitarian needs, the outbreak continues to expand, particularly in affected areas.

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Governments seek greater economic growth through reforms to global air transport

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As an unprecedented shock reshapes the energy world, its duration will determine the scale of the change
World Energy Outlook 2026 examines how current crisis could reshape energy sector in coming years, shifting policy preferences, risk perceptions, and mix of fuels and technologies used to meet rapidly expanding energy needs across globe
As countries around the world confront the largest energy supply shock in history alongside an array of other risks, the range of possible energy futures is widening, according to the latest edition of the IEA's World Energy Outlook, with the choices governments make in response set to reshape the global

energy landscape for years to come…

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WIPO World Intellectual Property Indicators: Global Patent and Trademark Filings Hit Record High; India Crosses 100,000 Annual Patent Application Mark
Innovators around the world filed a record 3.9 million patent applications in 2025, marking 6% annual growth and the fastest climb in nearly a decade, while India surpassed 100,000 annual patent applications for the first time, according to WIPO's annual World Intellectual Property Indicators (WIPI) report.
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Foreign Secretary statement on International Court of Justice Myanmar judgment: 19 November
Statement from the Foreign Secretary on International Court of Justice Myanmar judgment

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UK cracks down on companies building settlements in the West Bank and groups blocking aid access into Gaza
The UK has imposed new sanctions on companies involved in the expansion of illegal settlements in the West Bank and an activist group responsible for blocking aid to Gaza.

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Commission disburses €7.9 billion to strengthen Ukraine's financial stability and advance reform efforts

Today, the European Commission has released €7.9 billion to Ukraine to support financing needs and maintain the functioning of the country's public administration, as it continues to defend itself against Russia's war of aggression. This is the largest single disbursement to Ukraine made by the EU under the Ukraine Facility.

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As AI transforms the data landscape, OECD strengthens safeguards for trustworthy statistics
Press release 18 November 2026

As artificial intelligence and new sources of data continue to transform how statistics are produced, accessed and used, the OECD has issued a comprehensive update to its statistical quality framework that sets out how the Organisation will safeguard the quality, credibility and trustworthiness of its statistics as the data environment evolves.

The new *OECD Statistics and Data Quality Assurance Framework* covers the full data lifecycle, from identifying and collecting data through to processing, dissemination and reuse, and is the first edition to explicitly incorporate AI into the assessment and management of statistical quality. As AI systems increasingly mediate access to information, ensuring that reliable statistics can be identified and correctly interpreted is becoming more important…

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Report 25 November 2026109 Pages

Amid significant reductions in official development assistance, there are growing calls to mobilise all available sources of finance for sustainable development and to strengthen partnerships among providers. Philanthropies, development finance institutions (DFIs) and multilateral development banks (MDBs) often share development objectives, yet...

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Court, without prejudging any subsequent decisions on the admissibility or merits of the case. more ...

:: Romanian lawyer barred for two years from representing applicants before the Court over unverified AI-generated citations

18/11/26

On 13 November 2026 the President of the Court decided to exclude a Romanian lawyer from representing or otherwise assisting litigants before the Court, for a period of two years.

This came after the Chamber that was dealing with the application in which the lawyer was acting as one of two representatives found that the observations which she had submitted on the case contained numerous errors concerning the Court's case-law. These included the citation of non-existent ("hallucinated") cases; the citation of fictitious paragraphs in genuine judgments and decisions of the Court; and the citation of existing case-law that was irrelevant to the propositions advanced or that plainly contradicted the submissions they were intended to support.

The lawyer acknowledged that she had used Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools to draft the observations and described the mistakes as "inaccuracies" and "citation errors". The Chamber found that the lawyer's submissions contained a pattern of numerous, repeated, substantive errors rather than isolated citation mistakes and concluded that her conduct fell short of the professional and ethical duties imposed by the Court, duties that are also found in domestic law.

The Chamber submitted a reasoned proposal to the President of the Court that the lawyer be excluded from representing applicants before the Court for two years. The President approved that proposal.

Şerafettin Can Atalay v. Türkiye

17/11/26

Lawyer and human-rights defender detained despite Constitutional Court rulings in his favour must be released immediately and allowed to take up his seat as MP.

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Statement of Acting Prosecutor Mame Mandiaye Niang to the UN Security Council on the Situation in Libya, pursuant to Resolution 1970 (2011)

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World Bank Group Puts Jobs at the Center of Climate Investment at COP31
At COP31, the World Bank Group and its partners showcased a series of transformative investments and projects expected to mobilize additional funds in private capital, alongside more investment to support client-led development priorities, create jobs, and strengthen resilience.
November 17, 2026|Press Release

World Bank Group Explores Regulated Stablecoins to Modernize Payments, Redirect Resources to Development Impact
The World Bank Group (WBG) today announced a commitment to explore regulated stablecoin infrastructure and its potential to improve the cost-efficiency, speed, and transparency of payments and financial settlements for its clients.
November 17, 2026|Press Release

MSMEs in Developing Countries Face $4 Trillion Finance Gap
MSME strategy will use data and digital tools to make these enterprises visible, connected, enabled, and funded to help close the $4 trillion finance gap. Through the strategy, the Bank Group will support banks, fintechs, and governments by sharing risk, investing equity, and cutting red tape, with a particular focus on fragile and conflict-affected countries.
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Remarks by IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva at the 2026 APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting, Shenzhen, China

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Remarks by IMF Managing Director Kristalina Georgieva at the 49th ASEAN Summit in Manila, The Philippines

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AfDB, ICRC agree three-year action plan for conflict-affected communities in Africa

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ADB Appoints Karthik Muralidharan as Chief Economist
ADB has appointed Karthik Muralidharan, Tata Chancellor's Professor of Economics at the University of California, San Diego, as its Chief Economist and Director General of the Economic Research and Development Impact Department. He will assume office on 1 July 2027.

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ADB Broadens Investor Support for Biodiversity and Nature Finance
ADB has issued a €50 million (approximately $55.8 million), 5-year fixed-rate biodiversity and nature theme bond, attracting the first European environmental, social, and governance (ESG)-focused investor in ADB's biodiversity and nature theme bond and further expanding the investor base for supporting biodiversity, conservation, and nature across Asia and the Pacific.

17 Nov 2026
ADB Partners with FAST-P and BlackRock to Mobilize Private Capital for Sustainable Infrastructure in Asia
ADB has committed up to $30 million to the Emerging Asia Infrastructure Credit Fund SCSp—managed by Global Infrastructure Partners (GIP), a part of BlackRock—to mobilize institutional capital for infrastructure and emerging technologies supporting industrial transformation across developing Asia.

16 Nov 2026
ADB Approves Facility to Accelerate Preparation of Sustainable Transport Projects in Tajikistan
ADB has approved a financing facility for preparing sustainable transport projects in Tajikistan, including an initiative to improve public transport in Dushanbe.

14 Nov 2026
ADB Completes $30 Billion ASEAN Pledge with $13 Billion for Resilient Rivers and Digital Economy
Asian Development Bank (ADB) President Masato Kanda announced two initiatives to mobilize up to $13 billion by 2030 for resilient rivers and the digital economy across Southeast Asia. The announcements complete ADB's $30 billion pledge to support the development priorities of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank – AIIB [to 21 Nov 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
Antalya, Nov. 19, 2026

AIIB and UN Joint SDG Fund Strengthen Collaboration to Advance Climate Finance and Sustainable Infrastructure ...

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) and the United Nations Joint SDG Fund Secretariat have agreed to ...

IDB – Inter-American Development Bank [to 21 Nov 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
IDB Invest Leadership Announcement

IDB Invest CEO James Scriven has informed IDB Group President Ilan Goldfajn and the Executive Directors of his personal decision not to seek another term as CEO when his current mandate concludes on April 30, 2027. After more than a decade leading IDB Invest, James believes this is the right moment...
November 17, 2026

Broad AI Adoption Could Boost Latin America and Caribbean GDP by 5.1% Over a Decade, IDB Report Finds

WASHINGTON — Broad adoption of artificial intelligence could boost Latin America and the Caribbean's gross domestic product (GDP) by 5.1% over a decade, a new report by the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) finds. Wages could also increase by 4.2% over the same period, but the analysis stresses...
November 16, 2026

IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.ifad.org/en/all-news
News
Press release 18 November 2026
IFAD joins Sierra Leone and World Bank Group to accelerate agricultural transformation through AgriConnect
New partnership aims to boost productivity, expand market access and create 120,000 jobs by 2030.

Islamic Development Bank [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.isdb.org/
News
No new digest content identified.

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:: Week in Review
:: Key Agency/IGO/Governments Watch - *Selected Updates from 30+ entities*
:: INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch - *Media Releases, Major Initiatives, Research*
:: Foundation/Major Donor Watch -*Selected Updates*
:: Journal Watch - *Key articles and abstracts from 100+ peer-reviewed journals*

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:: *INGO/Consortia/Joint Initiatives Watch*
We monitor media releases and other announcements around key initiatives, new research and major organizational change from a growing number of global NGOs, collaborations, and initiatives across the human rights, humanitarian response and development spheres of action. We will not reference fundraising announcements, programs, events or appeals, and generally not include content which is primarily photo-documentation or video in format.

Action Contre la Faim – Action Against Hunger [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.actioncontrelafaim.org
Communiqués de presse
Nutrition et santé
Une campagne pour alerter sur l'urgence de la malnutrition infantile
12 novembre 2026

Alliance for International Medical Action (ALIMA) [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://alima.ngo/
L'actualité de nos actions
No new digest content identified.

Amref Health Africa [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://amrefusa.org/media-and-resources/news/
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Aravind Eye Care System [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://aravind.org/
Aravind News
No new digest content identified.

Blue Shield International [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://theblueshield.org/category/bsi-international-news/
BS International News
No new digest content identified.

BRAC [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.brac.net/#news
Updates
BRAC research highlights impact of protracted Rohingya crisis on livelihoods
Education and employment opportunities declining for young people in camps amid prolonged crisis. Livelihoods of young people in host communities also adversely affected.
[Undated]

Clubhouse International [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://clubhouse-intl.org/News-and-Events
News/Events
No new digest content identified.

Danish Refugee Council [to 21 Nov 2026] News
https://pro.drc.ngo/resources/news/?t=Press+Release
News
19 Nov 2026
PRESS RELEASE: One Year On, Gaza's 'Peace Plan' Has Failed, Delivering More Death,...

18 Nov 2026
Rights of rejected asylum seekers at risk in EU return hub Rwanda agreement

16 Nov 2026
DRC oPt launches a new explosive ordnance risk education campaign in Gaza

ECPAT [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://ecpat.org/
Statements and Press Releases
L'exploitation sexuelle des enfants : Des responsabilités à assumer, des engagements à tenir
17th Nov 2026

EILF – Electronic Information for Libraries [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.eifl.net/
News
Website not responding at inquiry.

Fountain House [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.fountainhouse.org/news
News
No new digest content identified.

GE2P2 Global Foundation [21 Nov 2026]
www.ge2p2.org
News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements/Digests
:: **Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review** **-** Current edition
:: **The Sentinel** *– Health :: Human Rights :: Humanitarian Action :: Peace :: Heritage/Literacy/Education :: Climate :: Sustainable Development* - Current edition

Humanity & Inclusion [nee Handicap International] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://hi.org/en/
News
No new digest content identified.

Heifer International [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.heifer.org/about-us/media-center
News, Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

HelpAge International [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.helpage.org/newsroom/latest-news/
News
Global Emergency Fund reaches major milestone with more than 100 responses worldwide
16 November 2026
The Global Emergency Fund has reached a major milestone, supporting more than 100 emergency responses since 2020 and helping almost half a million people affected by crises around the world.

ICRC [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.icrc.org/en/news
Latest press releases and statements
ICRC renews urgent call for legally binding rules on autonomous weapons after failure to launch negotiations
Statement 21-11-20

Autonomous weapons: ICRC warns that States must act now to preserve meaningful human control over the use of force
Statement 18-11-2026

Ethiopia: Helping those caught in the middle of the conflict in Oromia
Communities in several parts of Ethiopia's Oromia region have been heavily affected by recent conflict and violence. Every day, people fear the impact of armed violence on their safety and livelihoods. The ICRC is responding to many humanitarian needs in the region, mostly in cooperation with the Ethiopian Red Cross Society (ERCS).
Article 18-11-2026

IFRC [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/
Press releases
No new digest content identified.

International Medical Corps (IMC) [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://internationalmedicalcorps.org/stories-and-news/
Press Releases/ Updates / Alerts
No new digest content identified.

IRC [International Rescue Committee] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.rescue.org/media-center
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

IRCT [to 21 Nov 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 21 Nov 2026]
https://islamic-relief.org/news_category/news/
News
No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.msf.org/
Latest [Selected Announcements]
Palestine
The burden of occupation in the West Bank
Report 19 Nov 2026

Palestine
Israeli occupation is eroding people's hope and mental health in the West Bank
Press Release 19 Nov 2026

Rohingya refugee crisis
Rohingya people continue to face grave barriers to safety and healthcare
Statement 18 Nov 2026

Children with tuberculosis need a shorter treatment regimen rolled out now
Press Release 17 Nov 2026

The New Humanitarian [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://mailchi.mp/thenewhumanitarian.org/weekly-roundup-9-13-september-2024?e=52809bead7
News
Aid and Policy Cheat Sheet 20 Nov 2026
A historic Myanmar genocide ruling, a hollow trilateral summit, and a big COP flop

Human Rights Interview
20 November 2026
Why the ICJ ruling won't stop the Rohingya genocide

Norwegian Refugee Council [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.nrc.no/
News & Press Releases
Press release
DR Congo: Ebola response cannot succeed without broader humanitarian effort
19. Nov 2026 | DR Congo

Press release

Ukraine: Displaced people cutting healthcare and heating
17. Nov 2026 | Ukraine

Statement
Gaza: People need homes, yet we are begging for tents
16. Nov 2026 | Middle East| Palestine

OXFAM [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.oxfam.org/en/
Press Releases/Stories
Story
Rohingya refugees in Bangladesh: From survival to self-reliance
Nov. 19, 2026
As the Rohingya crisis enters its 10th year, refugees in Cox's Bazar are growing food, learning trades, and earning income. But

Pact [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.pactworld.org/press-room
Latest News & Highlights
No new digest content identified.

Partners In Health [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.pih.org/news
News & Stories
No new digest content identified.

PATH [21 Nov 2026]
https://www.path.org/media-center/
Newsroom [Selected]
PATH welcomes three new Board members
November 17, 2026 by PATH
Elie Alam, Keith Ashton, and Bart Cornelissen have joined PATH's Board of Directors.
"We are pleased to welcome these three distinguished leaders to the board," said Beth Galetti, Chair of PATH's Board of Directors. "As we implement PATH Strategy 2030, their insight and expertise will help us advance PATH's work of connecting innovation, evidence, financing, and delivery so that more people can access the health solutions they need."
The new Board members bring expertise in biomedical engineering, artificial intelligence (AI), strategic finance, and business development…

Plan International/BORNEfonden [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://plan-international.org/about-plan/resources/media-centre
News
Families fleeing Ethiopia in urgent need of support
One month since conflict erupted in Ethiopia's Oromia and Somali regions, thousands remain displaced and in urgent need of humanitarian assistance.
18 November 2026

Humanitarian access urgently needed as Gaza floods worsen

Plan International is calling for urgent humanitarian access to Gaza as flooding, cold weather and shelter shortages put children and families at risk.
17 November 2026

Prosper Global [nee Mercy Corps] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.prosperglobal.org/press-room/releases
News Releases & Alerts
No new digest content identified.

Save the Children [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.savethechildren.net/news
Latest news
22 Nov 2026 *Türkiye*
Historic failure at COP31 is a devasting blow to children around the world – Save the Children

Children are extremely vulnerable to the impacts of the climate crisis, with an average of 330 million children per year experiencing severe climate disasters between January 2022 and September 2026—up nearly 50% in the previous five-year period.

21 Nov 2026 *United Kingdom*
The International Community Must Stand by Children in Myanmar and Bangladesh

Save the Children remains committed to staying and delivering for children in Myanmar and in Cox's Bazar in Bangladesh.

20 Nov 2026 *United Kingdom*
Save the Children announces winners of Global Media Awards 2026

The winning entries showcase journalism that not only exposes grave child rights violations around the world but also drives meaningful change for children. By bringing children's experiences to the forefront and amplifying their voices, these journalists shine a light on the urgent issues affecting children's lives every day.

20 Nov 2026 *GLOBAL*
Gaming fundraiser weekend launches as 4 in 10 children globally face poverty – Save the Children

The charity's live-stream and gaming weekend fundraiser is part of Save the Children's *The One Delivery That Matters* campaign which was launched this month and highlights how the deliveries that matter the most – including lifesaving deliveries - aren't always getting through to those in need.

19 Nov 2026 *GLOBAL*
ONE YEAR ON, GAZA'S 'PEACE PLAN' HAS FAILED, DELIVERING MORE DEATH, DISPLACEMENT, DESPAIR- HUMANITARIAN SCORECARD

New report from humanitarian organisations finds Gaza peace plan continues to fail as conditions are worsening and families face winter without shelter. Access the scorecard here

19 Nov 2026 *United Kingdom*
A record high of nearly one in four children now live in conflict zones - Save the Children report

- *Nearly one in four children worldwide live in conflict zones, new report finds*
- *Africa now accounts for 44% of children living near conflict worldwide, with*

an unprecedented two in five African children impacted
- *Verified incidents of denial of humanitarian access against children have increased almost 16-fold in a decade to almost one an hour*

18 Nov 2026 *GLOBAL*
Governments Pressed to Deliver on 250+ New Pledges at the End Violence Against Children Summit
The new pledges come at a critical time for children, as conflict, climate shocks, poverty and inequality continue to expose millions of children to violence in their homes, schools, online and in their communities.

18 Nov 2026 *Afghanistan*
Children on the Move: Displacement Leaves Afghan Children Hungrier and More Vulnerable, Save the Children Warns
The "Children on the Move" report, based on interviews with more than 800 children and caregivers in seven provinces in Afghanistan, found that displacement over the past three years has deepened hunger, disrupted education and exposed children to heightened protection risks.

17 Nov 2026 *GLOBAL*
FIVE Schools Designed to Keep Children Learning When Climate Disasters Strike
As extreme weather threatens children's access to education, these projects highlight different ways to make school buildings more resilient and help keep children learning.

16 Nov 2026 *Belgium*
EU states' Rwanda deportation plan raises serious alarms for children - Save the Children
Significant questions remain about how safeguards would operate, particularly for children who are wrongly identified as adults or who may become separated from family members. Children affected could be separated from the support systems they need to survive and develop, while facing barriers to accessing protection, legal assistance and other essential services.

Tostan [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://tostan.org/blog/
News & Stories
No new digest content identified.

Women for Women International [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.womenforwomen.org/blogs
Blog November 17, 2026
By: Zeina Kanawati
Women in Taiz, Yemen share their reality living in a conflict zone

World Vision [to 21 Nov 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 21 Nov 2026]

https://www.eff.org/updates?type=press_release
Our Work
No new digest content identified.

Freedom House [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://freedomhouse.org/news-perspectives/press-releases-statements
Latest News Releases
Joint NGO Appeal to PM Albanese about Human Rights Activists' Abduction
November 17, 2026

Human Rights Watch [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.hrw.org/
News Releases/Spotlight
News Release
World Court Finds Myanmar Committed Rohingya Genocide
The International Court of Justice's (ICJ) landmark ruling that Myanmar committed genocide against the Rohingya is a historic milestone in their long quest for justice.
November 19, 2026

Spotlight
November 18, 2026 | *Dispatches*
Cambodia's Repression Hangs Over Francophonie Summit
As world leaders recently gathered in Phnom Penh to celebrate the 20th Francophonie Summit with the theme of peace and shared prosperity, French President Emmanuel Macron took to the podium to call publicly for an investigation into the killing of former Cambodian lawmaker and French citizen Lim Kimya.

November 18, 2026 | *Dispatches*
Rights Defender in Central African Republic Dies

November 18, 2026 | *Dispatch*es
Three Years' Prison in Kyrgyzstan for Alleged Repost

November 18, 2026 | *Dispatches*
Philippine Police Detain Hundreds Protesting Trump Visit

November 17, 2026 | *Dispatches*
Azerbaijan Jails Parliamentary Watchdog Activists

Transparency International [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.transparency.org/en/news
News
No new digest content identified.

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ChildFund Alliance [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://childfundalliance.org/
Newsroom

ChildFund Alliance Launches the World Index 2026 at the Second Global Ministerial Conference on Ending Violence Against Children in Manila
November 17, 2026 by ChildFund Alliance

The Elders [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://theelders.org/news-insight
Elder's Statements, News
Mary Robinson on COP31's inability to deliver an agreement
Mary Robinson
22 November 2026
COP31 fell short of the ambition and urgency the climate crisis demands. Mary Robinson responds to the inability to reach an agreement.

Elders Statements
Defend the International Criminal Court or give a green light to atrocity crimes
18 November 2026
US sanctions against the ICC are an unprecedented attack on the international rule of law.

Gavi [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.gavi.org/
News Releases [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/
News Releases
No new digest content identified.

ICVA - International Council of Voluntary Agencies [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://icvanetwork.org/news
Blogs, Press Releases & Statements
Global ENSO Analysis Cell | El Niño Status & Humanitarian Outlook: Gaps, Readiness and Funding – November 2026
The update highlights the continued strengthening of El Niño, the humanitarian impacts already emerging across several regions, and the need to accelerate preparedness and response readiness as we look towards 2027. It also takes stock of anticipatory action undertaken to date, remaining operational gaps, and funding requirements.
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InterAction [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.interaction.org/statements/
Latest Updates
No new digest content identified.

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3ie International Initiative for Impact Evaluation [to 21 Nov 2026]

https://www.3ieimpact.org/
What's New/Events
Learning note, 2026
Improving access to rainfall-based agricultural insurance in Burkina Faso

Process evaluation of the project to improve access to rainfall-indexed agricultural insurance in Burkina Faso: A new marketing approach

CHS Alliance [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://chsalliance.org/
News
No new digest content identified.

(ALNAP) Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.alnap.org/
News, Events
No new digest content identified.

Disasters Emergency Committee [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.dec.org.uk/
LATEST PRESS RELEASES
No new digest content identified.

EHLRA/R2HC/HIF [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.elrha.org
News
No new digest content identified.

Geneva Centre of Humanitarian Studies [nee CERAH] – [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.unige.ch/medecine/humanitarianstudies/latest-updates/news
News
No new digest content identified.

Groupe URD [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.urd.org/en/news/
Publications, Events, News
No new digest content identified.

International Humanitarian Studies Association [IHSA] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://ihsa.info/
News, Events
IHSA's Humanitarian Blog Posts Selection 22 Nov 2026
[text bolding from original]
This week, we're focusing on how ongoing conflicts, persistent inequalities, and the effects of climate

change continue to put already vulnerable communities at greater risk. In **Gaza, continued restrictions on humanitarian aid and the ongoing genocide has led to desperate measures for families to survive, including living in cemeteries.** In **Sudan,** the experience of Emergency Response Rooms raises difficult questions about **who gets included in locally led humanitarian responses.** Meanwhile, **extreme heat in Myanmar, water insecurity in South Africa and growing climate risks elsewhere highlight how climate change deepens existing inequalities, putting more communities at risk.**

INEE – an international network for education in emergencies [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://inee.org
Resources
No new digest content identified.

Professionals in Humanitarian Assistance and Protection (PHAP) [to 21 Nov 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"
[Website no longer responding at inquiry [12 July 2026]]

Sphere [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://spherestandards.org/news/
News
No new digest content identified.

Start Network [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://startnetwork.org/news-and-blogs
News and Blog
No new digest content identified.

Unitaid [21 Nov 2026]
https://unitaid.org/
News releases
New Unitaid-led dashboard aims to accelerate market access for new malaria innovations
18 November 2026

News releases
Unitaid launches US$28.6 million investment to integrate diagnostic services and expand access to care
17 November 2026

News releases
Unitaid announces US$25 million funding opportunity to expand access to integrated TB and hepatitis C care in high-transmission settings
16 November 2026

News releases
Celebrating two decades of leadership and service: A tribute to Dr. Philippe Duneton
16 November 2026

News releases
New Unitaid report charts a path to expand access to lifesaving newborn care
15 November 2026

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Brookings [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.brookings.edu/
Research, Events
Research
Better targeting of policies to support biotech innovation
Richard G. Frank and Marjorie Greenberg
November 19, 2026

Commentary Podcast
Strengthening the ecosystem around girls' agency: Commitment, capacity, and cohesion
Embedding Equality in Education
Hosts: Jennifer L. O'Donoghue and Edem Dorothy Ossai
November 18, 2026

- Agency is relational, so working only with girls can put them at risk. If girls are taught to speak up but their families and communities aren't part of the conversation, they carry all of the risk. In Karamoja, one girl paid for speaking up for her sister, and LAAGA's work aims to avoid putting girls at odds with their environments.
- The three Cs are three questions, not a checklist. Cohesion asks whether we share an understanding of girls' agency. Commitment asks whether we want to support it. Capacity asks whether we're able to. The balance between them keeps shifting.
- Allies can be found in every community. Religious leaders, village chiefs, and education officials were often named by girls as champions. A woman village chief in Karamoja became one of LAAGA's strongest advocates. Intergenerational spaces, in several contexts grounded in the ubuntu idea of "I am because you are," helped make this possible.
- The test of lasting change is whether it continues after the project ends. Examples include Nigeria's Second Chance School program, Bangladesh's officials opening their doors to girls' clubs, and Vietnam's girl-led Change Champions Clubs. Coordination matters too, because gaps between institutions are often where girls fall through the cracks.

Commentary
Does scientific collaboration with China make America stronger or more vulnerable?
Ryan Hass, Kyle Chan, Jacqueline Deal, Yingyi Ma, and Miles Yu
November 17, 2026

Center for Global Development [21 Nov 2026]
https://www.cgd ev.org/
All Research [Selected]
WORKING PAPER
Health Taxes in the Asian Development Bank Portfolio: A 15-Year Review
Jayati Nigam and Ainhoa Petri-Hidalgo
November 18, 2026

Noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) account for a rising share of deaths in Asia and the Pacific and are driven in part by consumption of unhealthy products such as alcohol, tobacco, and sugar-sweetened beverages (SSBs). Health excise taxes on tobacco, alcohol, and SSBs offer the opportunity to reduce c...

BRIEF

Asian Development Bank Health Tax Engagement: Looking Ahead

Jayati Nigam and Pete Baker

November 18, 2026

The brief outlines how the Asian Development Bank (ADB) can transition health taxes on alcohol, tobacco, and sugar-sweetened beverages from an opportunistic, peripheral measure into a deliberate, six-pillar institutional priority across Asia and the Pacific to simultaneously reduce noncommunicable d...

WORKING PAPER

Keeping Children Safe at School: A Systematic Review of What We Do and Don't Know about School-Related Violence Interventions

David Evans et al.

November 18, 2026

Violence in and around schools affects more than one hundred million children around the world. A variety of policies, laws, and interventions aimed at addressing that violence have been evaluated. We conducted a systematic review of studies published between 2000 and 2025 seeking to evaluate the ca...

POLICY PAPER

Nigeria: How Emissions Reduction Can Unlock Government Revenues

Kathryn McPhail and Etienne Romsom

November 17, 2026

The wasteful flaring and venting of gas associated with oil and gas production and processing is a persistent problem, leading to lost taxable income and reduced energy efficiency and access, adverse health impacts, and global warming. Nigeria is of particular interest since it is Africa's leading o...

POLICY PAPER

Nigeria's Super-Emitter Flares: An Updated Evaluation of Trends and Causes of Natural Gas Wastage

Etienne Romsom and Kathryn McPhail

November 17, 2026

The wasteful flaring and venting of gas associated with oil and gas production and processing is a persistent problem, leading to lost taxable income and reduced energy efficiency and access, adverse health impact, and global warming. This paper updates a 2023 report on the gas flaring behaviors of ...

CGD NOTE

Venezuela: A Roadmap to Recovery

Latin American Committee on Macroeconomic and Financial Issues (CLAAF)

November 17, 2026

In this statement, the Latin American Committee on Macroeconomic and Financial Issues (CLAAF) focuses, first, on the reasons why an economic recovery has failed to materialize in Venezuela thus far and, second, makes recommendations on how Venezuela can begin to recover from the present situation. ...

CGD NOTE

Improve IDA Impact: Follow Graduation Rules, Simplify Allocation, Limit Grants to the Poorest

Charles Kenny

November 16, 2026

IDA, the World Bank's concessional lending arm, is widely regarded as one of the most effective aid institutions, focused on helping the world's poorest countries. This is an important moment to maximize IDA's effectiveness. Global ODA volumes are declining, and the share of the poorest countries in...

Chatham House [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.chathamhouse.org/
Selected Analysis, Comment, Events
The resilience gap: Are Europe's societies ready for the next crisis?
In this week's episode of Independent Thinking, our experts discuss how prepared Europe's leaders, economies and societies are for disaster, confrontation and conflict.
Audio Published 20 November 2026 35 minute listen

Featured content Expert comment
The ICJ's Myanmar finding shifts the dial – a little – on the grounds for a guilty verdict in a genocide case
The Court's unusually split decision seems to adjust how intent to destroy a group 'in whole or in part' is established.
20 November 2026 3 minute READ

Expert comment
Will Saddam Haftar be Libya's next president?
The son of commander Khalifa Haftar has consolidated his position as heir apparent and expanded his influence. But his pursuit of the presidency could bring Libya back into conflict.
20 November 2026 3 minute READ

Expert comment
What does COP31 reveal about the geopolitics of climate change?
Some claim COPs take place in a bubble. But the summits say much about the interplay between climate policy, the energy transition, and the shifts underway in international relations.
19 November 2026 3 minute READ

Policy paper
National service with a European purpose: the case for shared defence preparedness and Erasmus-style exchanges
To counter multiplying security threats, a coalition of willing EU and non-EU European states should create a comprehensive defence and civil-preparedness framework, combining compulsory national service, foreign training placements and interoperable crisis-response systems.
18 November 2026

Council on Foreign Relations [21 Nov 2026]
https://www.cfr.org/
Featured Content
Win McNamee/Via Reuters
The Significance of Trump, Xi, and Putin's First Trilateral Meeting
By Michael Froman, Rush Doshi, Thomas Graham, Liana Fix, Erin D. Dumbacher and Chris McGuire
November 19, 2026

With Genocide Ruling, Justice Finally Descends Upon Myanmar and the Rohingya
November 20, 2026
By David J. Scheffer

Europe Could Be Walking Into a Trap Over Ukraine Talks
November 20, 2026
By Liana Fix

Turning Crisis Into Opportunity: Lessons From East Africa
November 20, 2026
By Michael Froman

Boom or Bubble? Understanding AI and the U.S. Economy
November 19, 2026
By Mary Kate Godfrey

CSIS [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.csis.org/
Reports [Selected]
Middle Power Ties in the Gulf and Africa: The Iran War Inflection Point
African and Gulf middle powers are deepening ties to attract new investment, diversify global partnerships, and build resilience. The war with Iran could accelerate this shift, but growing Gulf rivalries risk drawing African partners into regional competition and conflict.
Brief by Will Todman, Aaron Stanley, Josiane Atallah, and Catherine Nzuki — November 19, 2026

Peace Disease: Is the PLA Battle Ready?
China poses a formidable military challenge to the United States. But as this analysis shows, the People's Liberation Army likely has significant weaknesses in wartime, such as mission command, power projection, the undersea domain, joint warfighting, and corruption.
Report by Seth G. Jones, Eric Heginbotham, and Daniel Byman — November 16, 2026

IS Global [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.isglobal.org/en/press
Press releases
No new digest content identified.

McKinsey Global Institute [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.mckinsey.com/mgi/overview
Featured Research
No new digest content identified.

ODI [Overseas Development Institute] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://odi.org/en/publications/
Publications
Taxing large multinationals
19 November 2026
Briefing/policy paper

Supporting AfCFTA National Implementation Committees: what are we learning?
18 November 2026
Research report

Gender equality and digital platforms: What role for the EU's Digital Services Act?
16 November 2026
Working paper

Pew Research Center [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.pewresearch.org/
Latest Publications
short reads Nov 19, 2026
Democrats' Optimism About the Party's Future Rebounds as GOP Optimism Drops to Decade Low
Democrats' optimism about the party's future rebounds as Republicans' optimism drops to decade low.

short reads Nov 19, 2026
Islam Will Soon Be the World's Largest Religion, but Christianity Will Keep Growing Too
Muslims will outnumber Christians by 2035, driven by higher fertility, but both groups are projected to keep growing in the decades ahead.

short reads Nov 18, 2026
The Future of World Religions: Population Growth Projections, 2020-2070
Our projections detail why Muslims will soon become the world's largest religious group and Christians will be the second largest.

Feature Nov 18, 2026
Religious Composition by Country, 2010-2070
This sortable table shows the makeup of 201 countries and territories by religious group as well as projections for these places through 2070.

Rand [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.rand.org/pubs.html
Published Research [Selected]
Expert Insights
Nov 17, 2026
A Policymaker's Guide to Mirror Life
This paper establishes a factual foundation for understanding the concept of mirror life. It is intended to support policymakers who might encounter this new topic in briefings, proposals, or discussions.

RoRI [Research on Research Institute] [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://researchonresearch.org/
RoRI News, Events
No new digest content identified.

Alan Turing Institute
https://www.turing.ac.uk/
Latest
New policy roadmap sets out practical steps to reduce UK's exposure to AI disruption
The UK will be increasingly exposed to AI disruption unless it takes practical steps...
Wednesday 18 Nov 2026

Urban Institute [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.urban.org/research
New Research Publications – Selected
Brief
Why Poverty Status Is Not a Substitute for Food Insecurity Data
Colleen M. Heflin, Michele Ver Ploeg, Poonam Gupta, Matthew P. Rabbitt
Display Date
November 18, 2026

The Wistar Institute [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

World Economic Forum [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://agenda.weforum.org/press/
Media [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

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InterAcademy Partnership (IAP)
https://www.interacademies.org/news/press-releases
News
No new digest content identified.

ISC / International Science Council [to 21 Nov 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, Blogs
18 November 2026 - 4 min read
How the scientific community is helping shape the UN's key report on sustainable development

news
18 November 2026 - 3 min read
ISC and UNEP renew cooperation to strengthen science and foresight for environmental decision-making

Union of Concerned Scientists [USC] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.ucs.org/about/media-center/press-releases
Press Releases [Selected]
World Energy Outlook Highlights Fallout of War, Benefits of Clean Energy, Urgency of Transition Away from Fossil Fuels

November 19, 2026

Global Research Council [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://globalresearchcouncil.org/about/
News
Call for Curiosity-Driven Research Case Studies
Oct 21, 2026

The 2027 GRC Annual Meeting will focus on Curiosity-Driven Research (CDR) under the working theme of 'Making a Case for Curiosity-Driven Research'. The discussion will be structured around the following three dimensions outlined in the Discussion Paper:

- Understanding CDR and its role in research ecosystems
- Considering the role of public funders in relation to CDR
- Considering making the case for and communication of CDR

With these three dimensions, the Discussion Paper provides a comprehensive framework on the current state of CDR, highlighting key developments and their implications at various levels. This Call for Case Studies seeks to complement the discussion around CDR by bringing practical experiences and perspectives from GRC participating organisations and research systems in various regional contexts into the conversation…

Please submit your case study, images and organisation logos to the GRC Secretariat (grc@ukri.org) no later than 11 December 2026.

Call for Side Events at the GRC Annual Meeting 2027 in Cape Town, South Africa
Oct 21, 2026
Application Deadline: 11 December 2026

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM] - USA [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom
News
Announcement
NAM President Calls for Sustained Investment to Transform Rural Health Care

In a New England Journal of Medicine piece, NAM President Monica Bertagnolli highlights community-led solutions to the rural health crisis, describing her personal experiences growing up in rural Wyoming, the challenges facing rural communities nationwide, and the efforts of one Wyoming town to build a new hospital designed around its residents' needs. (photo by Christopher Michel)
Nov 20, 2026

Adaptive Capacities for Transformation: Putting Public Health Strategies into Practice Across the Gulf
Program News By Sasha Allison
Last update November 18, 2026

National Academy of Engineering - USA [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.nae.edu/31222/MediaRoom
Latest News & Press Releases [Selected]
NAE News
From Resilience to New Opportunities: Building North America's Supply Chain of the Future

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 21 Nov 2026]

https://nam.edu/programs/
News, Stories, Insights
No new digest content identified.

National Endowment for the Humanities [U.S.] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.neh.gov/newsroom?f%5B0%5D=news_type%3A281&f%5B1%5D=newsroom_content_type%3Anews
Newsroom
Press Release
NEH Establishes Partnership with Italian Cultural Agency to Promote International Humanities Initiatives
November 20, 2026

Press Release
NEH Hosts Two-Day Conference on "Classical Foundations and Moral Authority"
November 20, 2026
Video recordings of sessions from the "Classical Foundations and Moral Authority" conference are available online.

NIH [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.nih.gov/
News Releases
Dr. John H. Powers III to serve as director of NIH's National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases
November 16, 2026 — NIAID conducts and supports basic and applied research to better understand, treat and ultimately prevent infectious, immunologic and allergic diseases.

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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 21 Nov 2026]
https://cioms.ch/
News; Publications; Events
No new digest content identified.

Hastings Center [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.thehastingscenter.org/
Press Releases, Events
Hastings Center News
Join Us: Changing World, Opportunities for Bioethics
Published November 19, 2026Posted in Global Health, Health Policy & Equity, webinars

The post-1945 world order is changing in ways that impact bioethics and global health. The U.S. government has withdrawn from the WHO and the Paris Climate Agreement and ended international programs that promote health and save lives. What opportunities do these changes present for bioethics to help build sustainable global health partnerships, address challenges confronting immigrants, and forge global connections? Join us on December 3, Noon Eastern Time, for a discussion about how bioethics can and should respond to a changing world order.

The webinar will feature bioethicists Nancy S. Jecker, who focuses on global approaches to philosophy and bioethics; Mark Kuczewski, who helped create the Sanctuary Doctoring program to provide resources to physicians to support immigrant patients; and Kayhan Parsi, whose research includes global health and justice. Hastings Center President Vardit Ravitsky will be the moderator.

Register for the webinar.

INSERM [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.inserm.fr/en/home/
Press Releases [Selected]
Published on 18 November 2026
20 years of managing hepatitis C among people who use drugs in France

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.ich.org/page/public-consultations
News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selected]
No new digest content identified.

Nuffield Council on Bioethics [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.nuffieldbioethics.org/news
News and Blogs
No new digest content identified.

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and Human Rights
https://www.unescobiochair.org/
Activities and News
11th International Bioethics, Multiculturalism and Religion Workshop (5-7 January, 2027) –

Hong Kong
Aug 1, 2026 | *News*
Cross-cultural Perspectives on AI, Law, and Health JANUARY 5-7, 2027 Artificial Intelligence is reshaping healthcare, legal systems, and human society at an unprecedented pace. As these technologies continue to evolve, they raise profound ethical,...

UN Inter-Agency Committee on Bioethics
https://www.unesco.org/en/ethics-science-technology/uniacb
By providing a forum for exchange of information in the field of bioethics and related issues, with special attention to human rights, the UN Inter-Agency Committee on Bioethics (UNIACB) intends to promote coordination and cooperation in the activities carried out by its members.
Activities and News
No new digest content identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 06 Sep 025]
https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

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

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [21 Nov 2026]
https://alleninstitute.org/news-press/
News
No new digest content identified.

Gates Foundation [21 Nov 2026]
https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center
Press Releases & Statements
Gates Foundation Reaffirms Commitment to Family Planning and Women's Health Alongside Global Partners

At the Summit on Gender Equality and Women's and Girls' Rights, the foundation underscores the importance of voluntary access to contraception in advancing maternal and child survival
COPENHAGEN (November 16, 2026)
Key Points

- The Gates Foundation plans to commit up to US$1 billion through 2030 to family planning and women's health.
- Family planning is central to the foundation's goal to halve maternal and child deaths by 2045 and advance gender equality.
- This pledge coincides with a new international partnership initiated by Nordic governments to accelerate and sustain funding for sexual and reproductive health and rights.

Blue Meridian Partners [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.bluemeridian.org/
Blue Meridian Partners is a pioneering philanthropic model for finding and funding scalable solutions to the problems that limit economic and social mobility for America's young people and families in poverty.
Updates
No new digest content identified.

Annie E. Casey Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.aecf.org/newsroom/
Newsroom
No new digest content identified.

Clinton Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.clintonfoundation.org/media-center/
News & Updates
No new digest content identified.

Co Impact [to 21 Nov 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 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.fordfoundation.org/news-and-stories/news-and-press/
News & Press
No new digest content identified.

J. Paul Getty Trust [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.getty.edu/news/all/
Latest
A Voyager's Return: At Getty, Polynesian Voices Welcome Mai
The celebrated Pacific Islander Mai crossed oceans in life. More than two centuries later, his story continues to travel
Nov 18, 2026

Following in the Footsteps of the Mongols
Getty-funded scholars retrace historic nomadic routes to uncover new perspectives on art history
Nov 18, 2026

GHIT Fund [21 Nov 2026]
https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Grameen Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://grameenfoundation.org/stories/press-releases
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

William and Flora Hewlett Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://hewlett.org/latest-updates/
Latest Updates [Selected]
Hewlett Foundation names Wendy Feliz as U.S. Democracy Program Director
November 13, 2026

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [21 Nov 2026]
https://www.hhmi.org/news
News & Stories
No new digest content identified.

Conrad N. Hilton Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.hiltonfoundation.org/news
Latest News [News releases do not provide any date information]
Introducing Strategy 30: A shared commitment to a better future
… Through Strategy 30, we have sharpened our focus across initiatives and refined our geographic priorities to drive impact:

- Early Childhood: Supporting children's development through quality child care and health care services, stronger caregiver capacity, and enabling greater investment in young children and families.
- Refugees: Supporting "two-generation" approaches that promote healthy development for children and stable livelihoods for families, championing refugee inclusion and leadership, and financing for families and communities.
- Youth: Supporting young people ages 15-26 (up to age 29 internationally) to achieve economic mobility through pathways to employment, access to stable housing and essential wellbeing supports, and increased investment in proven solutions that help young people thrive.
- Catholic Sisters: Supporting Catholic sisters as global leaders who live religious life as educated, spiritually grounded, and empowered women, serving people living in disadvantaged conditions through education, health care, and socioeconomic services, and driving community-led solutions for underserved communities around the world.
- Safe Water: Supporting the expansion of safe, reliable water services to improve health, resilience, and economic opportunities in rural communities.

IKEA Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://ikeafoundation.org/
Press Releases [New website does not evidence a "news" or "press releases" page]
No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html
Latest News and Highlights
Statement from Richard Besser, MD, on U.S. Measles Elimination Status
Statement Nov-17-2026

Kaiser Family Foundation/KFF [21 Nov 2026]
https://www.kff.org/search/?post_type=press-release
Research, Analysis
The U.S. Lost Its Measles Elimination Status, Marking A Step Back for Public Health
Nov 17, 2026 *Quick Insights*
The loss of measles elimination status carries primarily symbolic weight, as the effect of rising cases and deaths is already clear, along with an ongoing heightened risk to vulnerable groups such as children and pregnant women. Still, it is a marker of how a combination of factors — COVID-19, increasing vaccine skepticism, and a growing partisan divide about vaccines — has been a step back for public health, and it is not clear when or…

Measles Elimination Status: What It Is and How the U.S. Lost It
Nov 17, 2026 *Policy Watch*
This policy watch examines the United States' measles elimination status, including what it means to eliminate measles, whether the current measles outbreak could threaten the country's measles elimination status, and what losing that status might mean for measles control.

Aga Khan Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://the.akdn/en/resources-media/whats-new/press-release
News Releases
19 November 2026|8 Min
AKDN convenes leaders at The Earthshot Prize Summit to scale community-led mangrove restoration in India
At The Earthshot Prize Summit in Mumbai, AKDN explored how community-led mangrove restoration can strengthen coastal resilience across India.

Lilly Endowment Inc. [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://lillyendowment.org/news-and-insights/endowment-news/
Endowment News
November 2026
Grants will support efforts to establish new congregations to serve new generations of Christians
The Endowment has approved 52 grants to help strengthen the capacities of denominational organizations, church networks and other faith-based organizations to establish and support new congregations.

MacArthur Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.macfound.org/
Latest News and Grantee News
Press Releases
"Together in Purpose" to Support Community-Led Collaboration Across America
November 18, 2026
A national open call will provide flexible funding to locally rooted organizations bringing people together, strengthening community connections, and advancing shared goals.

Mastercard Foundation [Canada] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://mastercardfdn.org/en/press/
News
No new digest content identified.

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.mellon.org/press
News
No new digest content identified.

Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.moore.org/news
Recent News
No new digest content identified.

Novo Nordisk Foundation [Denmark] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://novonordiskfonden.dk/en/
News and media
18 Nov 2026
Novo Nordisk Foundation commits US$60 million to strengthen CARB-X efforts against antimicrobial resistance

Open Society Foundations [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/newsroom
Newsroom
Press release November 19, 2026
Open Society Welcomes Historic Judgment on Genocide Against the Rohingya
The Open Society Foundations welcome the International Court of Justice's historic judgment finding Myanmar responsible for genocide and other violations of the Genocide Convention.

Fact Sheet November 16, 2026
The Open Society Foundations in Bangladesh
Open Society's engagement with Bangladesh has included significant cooperation with BRAC, as well as providing funding support for the response to the COVID-19 pandemic, freedom of expression, and education.

David and Lucile Packard Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.packard.org/news/
News
The Packard Foundation Welcomes Jes Montesinos as California Communities Initiative Director
November 16, 2026

Pew Charitable Trusts [to 21 Nov 2026]
http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/about/news-room
News Room
No new digest content identified.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/
News and Announcements
No new digest content identified.

Science Philanthropy Alliance [to 21 Nov 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 21 Nov 2026]
https://sloan.org/about/press
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Stichting INGKA Foundation [Netherlands] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.ingkafoundation.org/
Announcements [No identified "news" or "press releases" page]
No new digest content identified.

Tata Trusts [India] [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://www.tatatrusts.org/media/press-releases
Press Releases
No new digest content identified.

Wellcome Trust [21 Nov 2026]
https://wellcome.org/
News. Opinion, Reports
No new digest content identified.

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Candid [*formerly Foundation Center and GuideStar*] [to 21 Nov 2026 https://candid.org/about/press-room?fcref=pg
Press Room
No new digest content identified.

Council on Foundations [to 21 Nov 2026]
https://cof.org/news-blog
News, Press Releases [Selected]
Blog
Coming Together One Neighborhood at a Time
Wednesday, November 18, 2026 - 4:40 pm
14 community foundations join inaugural cohorts of a new accelerator for working across differences. [Cleveland]

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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 3
https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current
[Reviewed earlier]

AJOB Neuroscience
Volume 17, Issue 4 (2026)
https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabn20/current
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Human Genetics
Nov 05, 2026 Volume 113 Issue 11p2205-2376
https://www.cell.com/ajhg/current
Editors' Corner
This month in The Journal
Paul W. Hook, Alyson B. Barnes

Cross-phenotype associations can arise through pleiotropy, a process by which a single gene influences multiple traits. Vertical pleiotropy occurs when the genetic effect on one trait directly mediates the effect on another trait, whereas horizontal pleiotropy arises when the genetic effect indirectly mediates multiple traits through distinct biological mechanisms. Existing approaches for detecting both vertical and horizontal pleiotropy were largely developed for common variants and cannot determine whether shared gene-level rare variant burden association arises from concordant allelic effects or from distinct variants acting through different mechanisms.

In this issue, Lu et al. introduce ALLSPICE, a tool to identify heterogeneous effects of rare coding variants within pleiotropic genes that enables the distinction between horizontal and vertical pleiotropy. Application of ALLSPICE to rare variant summary statistics of hundreds of traits in the UK Biobank revealed that rare coding variants within the same gene can influence phenotypes in heterogeneous ways. ALLSPICE is computationally efficient and immediately applicable to existing rare variant association datasets.

American Journal of Infection Control
December 2026 Volume 54 Issue 12 p1245-1378
http://www.ajicjournal.org/current
Major Article Free access
Artificial intelligence utilization, perceptions, and readiness within the infection prevention workforce: Findings from the 2025 APIC MegaSurvey
Shelley E. Kon…2025 APIC MegaSurvey Task Force
Published online: August 24, 2026p1245-1252

… Findings highlight a gap between interest in AI and its integration into IP practice. Efforts to improve training, access, and organizational readiness will be essential to support safe and effective adoption.

American Journal of Preventive Medicine
November 2026 Volume 71 Issue 5
https://www.ajpmonline.org/current
[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health
December 2026 116(12)
http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current
EDITOR'S CHOICE
Antiscience and Anti-intellectualism in American Public Health
Peter Hotez MD, PhD

EDITORIALS FROM THE ACADEMICS
Rebuilding the Agora: Antiscience and the Participatory Roots of Public Health Authority
David Makram Bishai MD, PhD, MPH

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 115 (2026): Issue 4 (Oct 2026)
https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/115/4/tpmd.115.issue-4.xml
[Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine
November 2026 Volume 179, Issue 11
https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current
Original Research
Projected Effect of 2026 Federal Changes to the Childhood Immunization Schedule on Chronic Hepatitis B Virus Infections in the United States
Amir M. Mohareb, MD, Lakshmi Ganapathi, MD, Caitlin M. Dugdale, MD, Ruma Rajbhandari, MD, et al.
Pages:1556–1565
… Conclusion:
Proposed policy changes for vaccination through shared decision making are projected to result in an 83% increase in childhood HBV infections, and between 50% and 70% of children entering adulthood annually would be susceptible to HBV infection. Policymakers should reimplement recommendations for universal birth-dose vaccination.

Antiquity – A Review of World Archaeology
Issue 413 - October 2026
https://antiquity.ac.uk/latest
[Reviewed earlier]

Anti-Trafficking Review
No. 26 (2026)
https://antitraffickingreview.org/index.php/atrjournal/issue/view/37
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 - Corporate Accountability and Forced Labour in Value Chains
Guest Editor: Judy Fudge
This Special Issue of Anti-Trafficking Review examines recent efforts to hold multinational corporations accountable for human rights harms, including forced labour, resulting from their business practices. Contributions from across Asia, Europe, and the Americas analyse various aspects of the shift from voluntary corporate social responsibility measures to legally required or legally enforceable initiatives to address forced labour in global value chains. They interrogate the effectiveness of recently adopted transparency and human rights due diligence legislation across many Global North countries and demonstrate that worker-driven social responsibility, and other bottom-up initiatives, are better placed to reduce exploitation in supply chains than top-down state- and corporate-led approaches.

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal
Volume 359 October 2026
https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/359/suppl/C
[Reviewed earlier]

Bioethics
Volume 40, Issue 8 Pages: 773-946 October 2026

https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14678519/current
Special issue: Gaza and The Responsibilities of Bioethics
[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Health Services Research
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content
(Accessed 21 Nov 2026]
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Infectious Diseases
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content
(Accessed 21 Nov 2026)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medical Ethics
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content
(Accessed 21 Nov 2026)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medicine
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content
(Accessed 21 Nov 2026)
Cost-effectiveness of screening for tuberculosis, hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and HIV for people seeking asylum in the UK arriving by 'small boat'
Nurnabi Sheikh
Erik Igelstrom
Manuela Deidda
Research Open access 20 November 2026

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content
(Accessed 21 Nov 2026)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health
http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles
(Accessed 21 Nov 2026)
An update to the critical vaccination threshold for measles herd immunity
Mahmuda Ruma
Elena Aruffo
Jane M. Heffernan
Research Open access 20 November 2026

BMC Research Notes
http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content

(Accessed 21 Nov 2026)
[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine
October 2026 - Volume 31 - 5
https://ebm.bmj.com/content/31/5
[Reviewed earlier]

BMJ Global Health
October 2026 - Volume 11 - 10
https://gh.bmj.com/content/11/10
[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists
DIGITAL MAGAZINE - November 2026
https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2026-11/
Introduction: Trump, MAGA, DOGE, and the future of climate science
By Dan Drollette Jr
What, exactly, has been the net effect of the president's activities on the effort to restrain global warming?

Bulletin of the World Health Organization
Volume 104, Number 11, November 2026, 717-776
https://www.who.int/publications/journals/bulletin
Articles
Establishment of a One Health workforce for pandemic prevention, preparedness and response.
Prasarnphanich OO, Berger C, AbdelMalik P, Bashir U, Carrera RM, Christensen R, Cognat S, Dolmazon V, Dunkle S, Fitzpatrick S, Frost M, Gomez P, Ildefonso S, Ismayilova G, Menna S, Muehlen M, Relan P, Salio F, Wannous C, Boniol M, de la Rocque S.

Peer-country support for HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria programmes, Benin, Burkina Faso, Niger and Togo.
Manzengo C, Baissa M, Moyenga L, Kaaga YL, Saizonou R, Baza D, Ba NS, Diasso-Tingueri R, Aboubakar F, Koudema WL, Bachabi M, Affolabi D, Dandonougbo C, Kompaore SC, Soma DN, Combary A, Yahaya A, Ganda OR, Soumana A, Dagnra AC, Gbadamassi AG, Atekpe A, Manzengo B, Guire I, Moussa OS.

The international legal framework for transporting infectious substances.
Huber M, Sahin E, Presser LD, Kojima K, Salvi Le Garrec J.
… The international regulatory environment for infectious substance transport is complex and targeted interventions are needed, such as harmonizing regulatory frameworks, improving interagency coordination, investing in capacity-building, developing standard operating procedures and aligning policy documents with international best practice. These interventions will help countries meet their obligations under the International Health Regulations (2005), enhance the safe and secure transport of infectious substances and improve global public health preparedness, as required by the recent WHO Pandemic Agreement.

Digital sovereignty in public health.

D'Agostino M, Haddad AE, Xavier P, Massuda A, Padilha A, Barbosa da Silva J.
… As digital transformation has become a central component of national policy agendas to strengthen health systems, digital sovereignty is increasingly important to governments and public health authorities.[1]

Digital sovereignty encompasses the capacity to exercise legitimate governance over digital technologies and services in accordance with applicable law and principles of transparency and accountability, while participating in an interconnected global digital system.[2] This capacity includes establishing arrangements that ensure legal certainty, operational continuity, accountability, security, interoperability and public trust, regardless of the technology used.[2] In public health, this governance helps protect citizens' rights, sustain health services and support equitable innovation…

Cell
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Public health institutions are being threatened by political attack. Governments that dislike being held accountable for their public health responsibilities deploy multiple means to undermine these institutions. At the European Public Health Conference, held in Bilbao, Spain, last week, Christina Pagel explained how. Contesting the science by challenging its rigour. Moving decisions from experts to political appointees. Linking funding and job security to obsequious compliance. Suppressing evidence. Punishing resistance. Those under attack often choose accommodation through anticipatory obedience or self-censorship. Public health leaders tend to keep their heads down. Martin McKee argued that public health only survives when its knowledge, ethics, and networks are held beyond the state's reach. Joao Magalhaes and Melanie Maria Kuhrn showed how these techniques are being practised today in Portugal and Austria, respectively. Pagel and McKee offered safeguards in the face of jeopardy. Ensure legal protections. Insist on independent leadership appointment panels. Ring-fence funding. Demand the right to publish unredacted evidence. Strengthen professional ethics. Seek institutional pluralism so that no single body controls everything. Make sure your work is technically indispensable. Build memory so that data, archives, and histories cannot be erased. Ensure professional organisations are financed and governed independently. Find ways to protect persecuted scientists. "Resilience", McKee argued, "is what looks redundant in normal times." Scott Greer urged public health practitioners to use their administrative skills to circumvent opponents. "We can do boring", he said.

One issue that deserves greater scrutiny may have been overlooked. An example explains why. Shifting and sometimes contradictory advice on masks, testing, and isolation periods from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) during the COVID-19 pandemic was widely seen as confusing. Public perplexity was worsened by poor communication as evidence about SARS-CoV-2 evolved, together with perceived politicisation of that evidence. All of which led to a catastrophic loss of public trust in the CDC. The lesson is that a crucial determinant of the strength of public health institutions is their public legitimacy. When public trust is high, attacks on public health institutions

become politically expensive. When trust is low—from incompetence, partisanship, or simply not being seen to be on the public's side—interference will carry little cost and may even be popular. Trust is earned, not given. Earned through competence; being honest about uncertainty; owning mistakes; and showing visible independence. Trust is also local and contextual. Groups neglected or mistreated by public health organisations may have good reasons to suspend faith in their advice. To earn trust requires listening and engaging with local leaders and community groups. Public trust is an asset that should be nurtured and maintained intentionally.

Trust is foundational to strong public health institutions. But institutions are only trusted through their people. We should be giving far more attention to the personal qualities of public health leaders. Integrity. Technical credibility, combined with humility. Communication skills. Empathy with public concerns and fears. Accountability for mistakes. Courage. Political judgement. The ability to build a team. And a commitment to reach out to critics. If one really wants to strengthen public health, its leaders should also practise allyship. Public health has many potential friends: professional societies, scientific academies, universities, civil society organisations, and even medical journals. These allies can be partners, collaborators, supporters, and public defenders. Solidarity between international organisations and networks is an under-recognised asset when public health institutions are in danger. If one wants to strengthen public health institutions, I would propose three lessons: take public trust more seriously, choose better leaders, and make some friends. Finally, the question of how to strengthen public health institutions makes one astonishing and unspoken assumption—namely, that those institutions are worth strengthening in the first place. An anterior question is surely this: is a public health institution performing well enough to deserve to be strengthened or should that institution first be repaired, reformed, or transformed? If we were honest, we might admit that this question does not always yield encouraging answers.

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Perspective
Discovery as public infrastructure: Renewing the social contract for science
Sergio Carbajo and others
Scientific capacity built over generations is being weakened by abrupt political disruption just as discovery is becoming faster, more convergent, globally networked, and more socially consequential. Restoring funding and protecting scientific institutions are urgent, but not sufficient: the postwar compact that sustained discovery before its uses were known must be renewed for 21st-century conditions and made resilient to arbitrary disruption. We propose the Discovery Compact, a renewed social contract among government, science, industry, and the public that treats discovery as shared public infrastructure—capacity a plural society builds, tends, and holds in common across generations. It is organized around five criteria: (i) sustaining discovery as national infrastructure; (ii) enabling institutions to move at speed without sacrificing rigor; (iii) building scientific capacity through people, openness, and mobility; (iv) translating discovery without depleting its source; and (v) securing democratic legitimacy and institutional resilience. Together, these criteria direct policy toward durable scientific capacity and insulate against indiscriminate deregulation, compulsory commercialization, arbitrary institutional disruption, and political control of scientific judgment. This Perspective is not a legislative template but an invitation to a national and international process of protecting and renewing

the institutions and infrastructure through which societies discover, generate, protect, and prepare.

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Haibo Zhang, Louise K. Comfort
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Comments and replies
The Stockholm Declaration advocates a broad approach for reformation of science publishing in a complex stakeholder world *Open Access*
Bernhard A. Sabel; Dan Larhammar
Abstract
Because integrity and trustworthiness of science rely on the attitude and behaviour of scientists and publishers, the recent flood of fake publishing and rising publishing costs motivated us to propose an extensive reformation of science publishing. Our Stockholm Declaration suggested 34 concrete actions to

counter this unhealthy development, with a call to action for science and educational institutions, science academies and organizations, funders and publishers to unite in an effort to achieve fundamental changes. However, Csaba Szabo argued in a comment that the Stockholm Declaration 'fundamentally misdiagnosed' this science crisis and that a 'true reform' would require the publishing infrastructure to be rebuilt as a public utility with open access and post-publication review. Open access is certainly a desired goal for the future because science and science communication are a public good. However, post-publication reviews are problematic, leaving many poor studies unquestioned. By contrast, the Stockholm Declaration proposes to gradually transform publishing systems in a complex landscape of academic disciplines and publishers with different publishing models in a fast-moving AI world. Such a complex ecosystem requires a broad range of actions to be implemented as quickly as possible, especially independent integrity screening of scientific manuscripts and publications and adjustment of academia's assessment systems of scientific achievements.

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The scientific record is never finished
BY Lauren Kmec, H. Holden Thorp, Valda Vinson
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Human rights economics
Jose Cuesta, Leja Ejury, Paola Fajardo-Heyward, Natalia Pecorari, ... Bryce Wijesekara
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Highlights
:: Despite overlap, human rights and economics remain largely disconnected in theory and practice.
:: We propose integrated conceptual and theoretical frameworks for human rights economics.
:: We design a Social Welfare Function explicitly integrating fiscal and rights constraints.
:: We connect principles, policies, and outcomes across economics and human rights disciplines.
:: Rights-based economics reveals different optimal social protection outcomes than efficiency alone.
Abstract
This article proposes a theoretical framework that systematically integrates human rights and economic analysis, addressing gaps in previous attempts linking theory and policy. Rather than developing a new theoretical approach, we work within a standard social planner setting in which a social welfare function embeds both fiscal constraints and rights-based valuations, ensuring Pareto-efficient outcomes while guaranteeing minimum rights. Conceptually, we link principles, policy instruments, and outcomes, highlighting shared structures across disciplines and enabling policy design that balances efficiency, equity, and transparency. Empirically, a case study of universal social protection strategies in South Africa illustrates how economic, human rights, and integrated approaches produce different priorities: targeted basic income maximizes fiscal efficiency, the universal transfer maximizes equality and rights, and the integrated perspective favors the expansion of the existing system as the second-most rights-consistent and most cost efficient option. This fully integrated framework demonstrates that human rights economics is not a slogan, nor merely the economics of human rights or rights within economics, but a true integration of both—practically applicable, context-sensitive, and offering a pathway to fiscally sustainable, socially inclusive, and administratively feasible policies.

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World Heritage
Across the world, heritage reminds us of how societies drew on their history to build the future. As both a legacy of the past and a resource for future generations, it embodies the resilience, creativity and spirit of transmission that enable communities to preserve their identity and adapt to the transformations of their time. This conviction, at the heart of UNESCO's mission, takes on particular resonance on the occasion of the 48th session of the World Heritage Committee, held this year in the Republic of Korea.
The Korean experience vividly illustrates how heritage can accompany the transformations of a society while preserving the foundations of its identity. Over the decades, the country has succeeded in protecting and promoting its cultural and natural heritage while embracing innovation and international cooperation. Today, the Republic of Korea actively contributes to capacity building, knowledge sharing and the implementation of conservation projects benefiting many States Parties to the World Heritage Convention…

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Ernesto Biempica, Emiliano Bruner, Juan F Poyatos
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Large Language Models Have Not Yet Transformed Science
Ron Bekkerman, Nichole Li, Bahareh Kargar, Mark Somers
The emergence of large language models (LLMs) in late 2022 has raised questions about the future of science, but assessing their impact requires understanding how scientific practices were already evolving. We analyze 2.5 million full-text papers across five disciplines from 2015 to 2025, tracing trends over a broad spectrum of lexical, structural, epistemological, and social dimensions. Aside from frequency shifts in some words, most pre-2023 trends continued with limited detectable breaks. Among the notable exceptions, growth in computer science coauthor teams accelerated significantly in Asia, while apparent declines in biomedical topic diversity largely reflected standardization in article formats. Our study establishes an empirical foundation for monitoring the health of global science as LLM adoption deepens.

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Synthetic Doubt and the Integrity of Digital Proof before the International Criminal Court
Seyed Mohammad Sadegh Dashti
Generative artificial intelligence complicates evidentiary assessment at the International Criminal Court by enabling fabricated audiovisual material and making authentic digital evidence easier to dismiss as fake. This article calls the latter problem synthetic doubt: an objection alleging that a digital item may be AI-generated or AI-manipulated. Existing scholarship addresses digital evidence, open-source investigations and deepfakes in the ICC context. Yet the question of when synthetic doubt should trigger enhanced reliability review under the Rome Statute, without displacing the prosecution's burden under article 66 or compromising article 67 fair-trial rights, remains underdeveloped. The article proposes a three-stage framework: a baseline authenticity and provenance showing by the proponent; a case-specific articulation threshold for the objector; and proportionate reliability review by the Chamber under articles 64 and 69(4). The framework treats AI-related provenance information and synthetic-media detector outputs as contextual rather than dispositive.

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Instructor-designed AI improves learning in a randomized trial across 19 universities

Jun Li, Robert Bray, Sébastien Martin, Nils Van den Steen, Andrew Wu, Xiao Ni, Arielle Anderer, Ekaterina Astashkina, Volodymyr Babich, Jean-Paul Baldwin, Hamsa Bastani, Christian Blanco, Oguzhan Celebi, Christopher Chen, Shi Chen, Benjamin Collier, Yao Cui, Pnina Feldman, Blair Flicker, Brian Han, Yichun Hu, Daniela Hurtado-Lange, Jane Jiang, Zhaohui Jiang, Ismail Kirci, Murat Köksalan, Zhen Lian, Hongyan Liang, Mengshi Lu, Lesley Meng, Ken Moon, Mi Kyong Newsom, Minje Park, Chris Parker, Anyan Qi, Meng Qi, Debjit Roy, Neha Sharma, Alp Sungu, Tom Tan, Necati Tereyagoglu, Hanu Tyagi, Sriram Venkataraman, Guihua Wang, Yixin Wang, Owen Wu, Zonghao Yang, Qiuping Yu, Sophie Yu, Jingwei Zhang, Wenchang Zhang, Ruihao Zhu

Universities are alarmed by recent evidence that artificial intelligence (AI) can undermine learning, with students prescribed generic chatbots or centrally designed AI tools performing worse. In a pre-registered randomized controlled trial across 7,200 students at 19 universities over three semesters, we tested whether AI designed by frontline instructors can improve learning. We encouraged instructors to design AI solutions they believed would best help their students. Drawing on their unique knowledge of their classes and students, the instructors created a wide array of innovations. We show that these instructor-designed AI innovations improved student learning, measured by AI-proof assessments (proctored, in-person examinations). We found no change in student engagement, measured by course activity records, or satisfaction, measured by course evaluations. Our findings demonstrate that AI can improve student learning when its adoption is frontline-driven, with instructors empowered to design and refine AI solutions for their own classrooms.

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MemeEconomy: Do LLM Agents Trade Ethics for Survival?

Syed Nazmus Sakib, Nafiul Haque, Ahnaf Tahmid Manan, M M Mahabub Morshed, Shifat E. Arman

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Rage bait: a neurofunctional signature of moral outrage elicited by social media

Xianyang Gan, Ran Zhang, Feng Zhou, Lisa Wagels, Heng Jiang, Junjie Wang, Yanan Qing, Xi Yang, Jingxian He, Zihao Zheng, Ting Xu, Klaus Mathiak, Bin Jiang, Dezhong Yao, Benjamin Becker

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Abstract

Moral outrage is ubiquitous online, with powerful emotional and motivational consequences for social life. Combining naturalistic fMRI during exposure to short-form social-media videos depicting moral violations with predictive modeling, we developed a neurofunctional signature of subjective moral outrage (MONS) in discovery/validation (n=80/30) cohorts. MONS predicted experienced outrage and punishment tendencies across cohorts. Positive predictive weights encompassed regions implicated in mentalizing, threat detection and action initiation (precuneus, posterior cingulate, periaqueductal gray, hypothalamus, cerebellum), whereas negative weights involved valuation and behavioral flexibility systems (amygdala, orbitofrontal cortex). Across 11 datasets (n=478), MONS captured anger and disgust but was dissociable from general negative affect and affective arousal. Notably, MONS did not predict perceived moral wrongness in conventional moral judgment paradigms, suggesting that moral outrage is not reducible to more cognitive moral evaluation. Findings provide a moral outrage neurofunctional model that delineates its relationship to other affective states and distinguishes it from traditional moral judgment.

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...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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