



UNIC Library Newsletter – April 2013

New websites within the UN system

UN in General

Building a Better Future for All: Selected Speeches of United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon 2007-2012

http://issuu.com/unpublications/docs/9789210559959_issuu

The United Nations works across the world for peace, sustainable development, human rights and the rule of law. This collection of speeches by Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon shows the breadth of those efforts – advances and struggles alike – at a time of profound transition for the human family. Since taking office in 2007, Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has sought to mobilize the international community behind global solutions to urgent challenges ranging from climate change and poverty to armed conflict and the spread of deadly weapons. The goal: dignity, freedom and opportunity for all.

Dag Hammarskjöld Library: New Research Guides

In honour of the 60th anniversary of the appointment of Dag Hammarskjöld as Secretary-General, the Library has prepared several new research guides, including:

- a research guide about Dag Hammarskjöld: <http://research.un.org/en/hammarskjold>
- a guide to online UN information resources: <http://research.un.org/en/un-resources>
- a guide to our subscription e-resources: <http://research.un.org/e-resources>

In addition, a new UN Documentation Research Guide has been launched with expanded and updated information: <http://research.un.org/en/docs>

The Global Conversation Begins

<http://www.worldwewant2015.org/the-global-conversation-begins>

<http://www.worldwewant2015.org/file/329346/download/357813>

The United Nations Development Group (UNDG) launched its new report, 'The Global Conversation Begins'. The report provides a snap shot of the emerging narrative from over 80 national and 11 thematic consultations on the post-2015 development agenda. Preliminary findings from the global conversation will be presented to the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Post-2015 Development Agenda at their next meeting in Bali, Indonesia from 25-27 March.

Pressing for Freedom: 20 Years of World Press Freedom Day (UNESCO)

<http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0022/002205/220525E.pdf>

On 3 May 2013 UNESCO celebrates the twentieth year of World Press Freedom Day. The Publication provides an overview of the trajectory of the Day beginning with its foundational years, leading to the period of consolidation where international civil society of press freedom had begun to coalesce, and finally it takes a look into the big issues and challenges that are likely to face press freedom in the future.

Peace and Security

New Technology and the Prevention of Violence and Conflict (UNDP / USAID / IPI)

<http://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/ipi-e-pub-nw-technology-conflict-prevention-advance.pdf>

ICT can connect citizens with one another and urgent responders, helping prevent violence and conflict. But "spoilers" can also use new technologies to incite violence and conflict, and local and international actors must analyze risks and develop mitigating strategies.

'UN Peacemaker' - re-launch of the online mediation support tool

<http://peacemaker.un.org>

UN Peacemaker – developed by the UN Department of Political Affairs - offers key tools and resources to support mediators and their teams in managing peace processes and negotiating peace agreements, including:

- A comprehensive database of more than 750 peace agreements.
- Guidance documents on mediation, such as the 'UN Guidance for Effective Mediation'.
- Information on UN mediation support activities and services.
- A library of selected resources on mediation issues.
- Upcoming video-interviews with mediation experts.

You can also register to receive 'UN Peacemaker' updates and reports with the mediation support activities of the Department of Political Affairs' Mediation Support Unit.

United Nations Peacekeeping Operations – Fact Sheet: 28 February 2013 (DPI/1634/Rev.141, March 2013)

English: <http://www.un.org/en/peacekeeping/resources/statistics/factsheet.shtml>

French: <http://www.un.org/fr/peacekeeping/resources/statistics/factsheet.shtml>

United Nations Political and Peace building Missions – Fact Sheet: 28 February 2013 (DPI/2166/Rev.115, March 2012)

English: http://www.un.org/wcm/webdav/site/undpa/shared/undpa/pdf/Pol_miss_fact_sheet_feb2013_e.pdf

French: <http://www.un.org/fr/peacekeeping/documents/ppff.pdf>

Economic & Social Development

2013 Human Development Report: The Rise of the South: Human Progress in a Diverse World (UNDP)

Report & Summary in English &

French: <http://www.undp.org/content/undp/en/home/librarypage/hdr/human-development-report-2013/>

The 2013 Human Development Report examines the profound shift in global dynamics driven by the fast-rising new powers of the developing world and its long-term implications for human development. The Report identifies more than 40 countries in the developing world that have done better than had been expected in human development terms in recent decades, with their progress accelerating markedly over the past ten years. The Report analyzes the causes and consequences of these countries' achievements and the challenges that they face today and in the coming decades.

The Least Developed Countries Report 2012: Harnessing Remittances and Diaspora Knowledge to Build Productive Capacities (UNCTAD)

English & French: <http://unctad.org/en/pages/PublicationWebflyer.aspx?publicationid=249> (select "Downloads")

The report addresses the issues of remittance flows to LDCs and the potential role of diasporas in LDCs' development. It argues that with the right policies and international support, LDCs could enhance the benefits from remittances and the knowledge and know-how accumulated in their diasporas. Using evidence and policy lessons from other countries, the report shows how LDCs could better harness remittances and diaspora knowledge to build their productive capacities.

Population Division – redesigned website

<http://www.un.org/en/development/desa/population/>

The redesigned website of the Population Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) Population Division was launched on 20 March 2013. It includes news, events and exciting features, through which both existing users and new visitors can gain a greater understanding of the Division's activities and achievements.

Human Rights

Commission on the Status of Women, Fifty-seventh sessions, 4 – 15 March 2013

“The elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls: draft agreed conclusions” (E/CN.6/2013/L.5)

English & French: <http://undocs.org/E/CN.6/2013/L.5>

Directory of Special Procedures Mandate Holders - 1 January 2013

English: http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/SP/SPVisualDirectory2013_en.pdf

French: http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/SP/SPVisualDirectory2013_fr.pdf

The Special Procedures of the Human Rights Council are independent human rights experts with mandates to report and advise on human rights from a thematic or country-specific perspective. The system of Special Procedures is a central element of the United Nations human rights machinery and covers all rights: civil, cultural, economic, political, and social. As of December 2012, there are 48 Special Procedures (36 thematic mandates and 12 mandates relating to countries or territories) with currently 72 mandate-holders.

A Practical Guide for NGO Participants: United Nations Human Rights Council (OHCHR)

English: http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/HRCouncil/PracticalGuideNGO_en.pdf

French: http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/HRCouncil/PracticalGuideNGO_fr.pdf

The Guide facilitates civil society participation at the Human Rights Council. This revised edition – dated February 2013 – includes information on remote participation by video statements and updated links.

UNOG Library Resource Guide: Women and Gender Equality

<http://libraryresources.unog.ch/women>

Humanitarian Affairs

Humanitarian Kiosk (OCHA)

<http://kiosk.humanitarianresponse.info/>

Get the latest information on humanitarian crises around the world, including maps, infographics and reports, available to download via the new United Nations Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) Humanitarian Kiosk iOS app.

REFWORLD (UNHCR)

<http://www.refworld.org>

UNHCR launched on 17 April 2013 a new and improved version of Refworld, a widely used online protection and research tool that helps those who have to decide on refugee and statelessness status. *Refworld 2013* (contains a vast collection of reports relating to situations in countries of origin, policy papers, case law and other documents relating to international and national legal frameworks. The documents have been carefully selected from - and with - UNHCR field offices, governments, international, regional and non-governmental organizations, academic institutions and judicial bodies.

UNHCR current emergencies

<http://data.unhcr.org/>

If you are looking for information on current refugee emergencies, go to the comprehensive new UNHCR Refugees Data projects website. This site is a portfolio of projects that provide interactive visualizations and/or direct access to UNHCR Data Sets. The projects presented here include both projects created by UNHCR as well as projects created externally about refugees.

New information material

Nelson Mandela in his words: Excerpts from speeches, 1961-2008.

Department of Public Information. DPI/2559/Rev.1. June 2012.

Online version: <http://www.un.org/en/events/mandeladay/inhiswords.shtml>

NEW TITLES added to the library collection in April

I General Information and Reference

UN Chronicle. Volume XLIX, Number 4, 2012. 38 p.

"Delivering Justice"

Online version: <http://www.un.org/wcm/content/site/chronicle/home/archive/issues2012/deliveringjustice>

II. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Human Development Report 2013: The Rise of the South; Human Progress in a Diverse World.

United Nations Development Programme. New York. 2013. ix, 202 p.

ISBN 978-92-1-126340-4.

Online

version: <http://www.undp.org/content/dam/undp/library/corporate/HDR/2013GlobalHDR/English/HDR2013%20Report%20English.pdf>

MDG Report 2012: Assessing Progress in Africa towards the Millennium Development Goals; emerging perspectives from Africa on the post – 2015 development agenda.

Online version: <http://uneca.africa-devnet.org/content/mdg-report-2012-emerging-perspectives-africa-post-2015-development-agenda>

III. International Trade Centre (UNCTAD/WTO)

International Trade Forum, Issue 4, 2012. 39 p

. "Growth, Innovation and Inclusiveness"

Online version: <http://www.tradeforum.org/2012-4/>

IV. International Law

Yearbook of the International Law Commission 2006, Volume II, Part Two: Report of the Commission to the General Assembly on the work of its fifty-eighth session.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2013. iii, 242 p. (A/CN.4/SER.A/2006/Add.1 (Part 2))

Sales No. E.12.V.13. ISBN 978-92-1-133798-3.

Online version: <http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/publications/yearbooks/yearbooks.htm>

V. Human Rights (including Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights - OHCHR)

Conscientious Objection to Military Service.

United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2012. iv, 84 p. (HR/PUB/12/1)

Sales No. E.12.XIV.3. ISBN 978-92-1-154196-0.

Online version: http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Publications/ConscientiousObjection_en.pdf

VI. World Health Organization (WHO)

Bulletin of the World Health Organization: Volume 91, Issue 4, April 2013, p. 237-312.

Online version: <http://www.who.int/bulletin/volumes/91/4/en/>

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