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International Health Cooperation and Health Systems Strengthening: Time for a Global Symposium?

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International health cooperation:

- What are we talking about?



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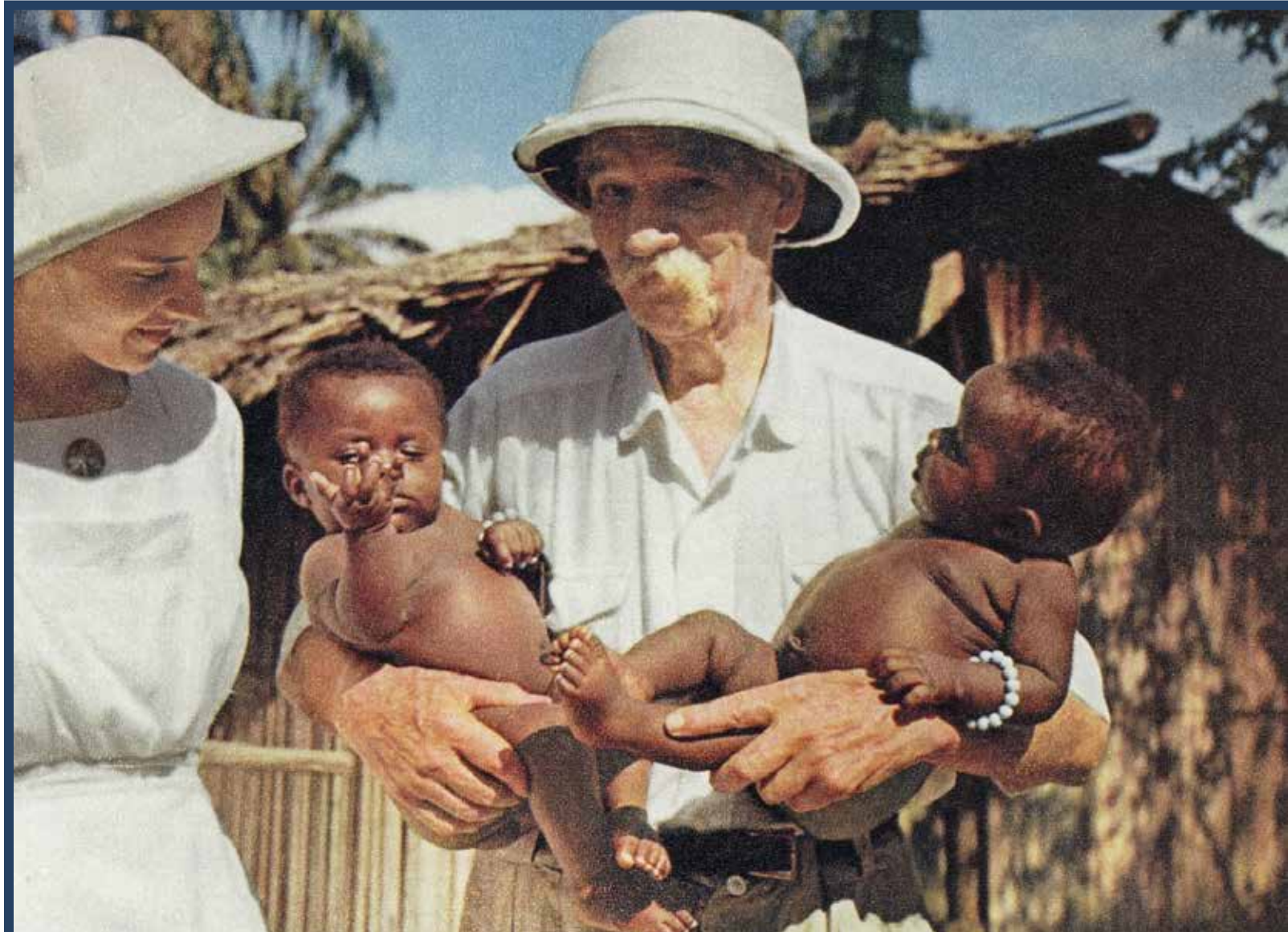
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We will use the term “international health cooperation” in the sense of development cooperation for health: organizations leading themselves health programmes in low- and middle income countries (“developing countries”) or supporting public or private partner organizations technically and/or financially in order to improve health outcomes and the access to health care.

- Traditionally most of the members of the Networks hosting today’s session (MMI and MMS) are rooted in development cooperation for health, health aid, humanitarian assistance or technical cooperation – fields of activities that have, such as the terms to describe them, considerably developed over time.

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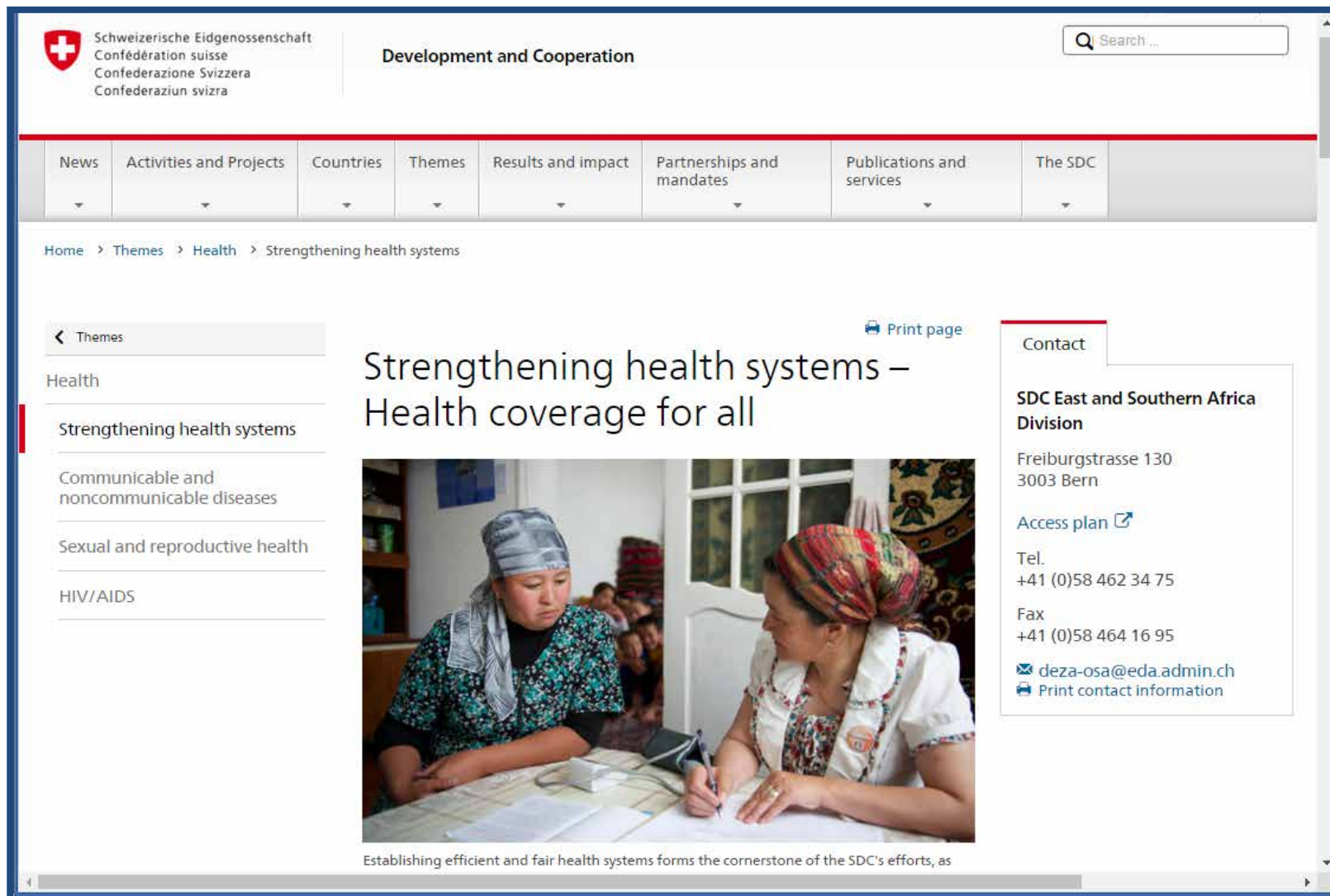
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The screenshot shows the SDC website interface. At the top left is the SDC logo with its name in four languages: Schweizerische Eidgenossenschaft, Confédération suisse, Confederazione Svizzera, and Confederaziun svizra. The main header is 'Development and Cooperation' with a search bar. A navigation menu includes News, Activities and Projects, Countries, Themes, Results and impact, Partnerships and mandates, Publications and services, and The SDC. The breadcrumb trail is 'Home > Themes > Health > Strengthening health systems'. On the left, a 'Themes' sidebar lists 'Health' with sub-items: 'Strengthening health systems', 'Communicable and noncommunicable diseases', 'Sexual and reproductive health', and 'HIV/AIDS'. The main content area features the title 'Strengthening health systems – Health coverage for all' and a 'Print page' button. Below the title is a photograph of two women in traditional headscarves sitting at a table with papers, one writing. To the right is a 'Contact' box for the 'SDC East and Southern Africa Division' with the address 'Freiburgstrasse 130, 3003 Bern', telephone '+41 (0)58 462 34 75', fax '+41 (0)58 464 16 95', and email 'deza-osa@eda.admin.ch'. A 'Print contact information' button is also present. At the bottom of the page, a partial caption reads: 'Establishing efficient and fair health systems forms the cornerstone of the SDC's efforts, as'.

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A screenshot of a web browser displaying the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation website. The browser's address bar shows "www.gatesfoundation.org/What-We-Do". The website header includes the foundation's name and a language selector set to "EN". The main content area features a video of a woman with blonde hair, wearing a dark patterned dress, standing in a classroom and speaking to a group of students seated at desks. The video has white text overlaid on it that reads: "OUR JOB IS TO GET RESULTS. WE KNOW THAT OUR RESULTS DEPEND ON THE QUALITY OF OUR PARTNERSHIPS." The classroom background shows students, a whiteboard with colorful notes, and educational posters.

<http://www.gatesfoundation.org/What-We-Do>



The screenshot shows the Gavi website interface. At the top left is the Gavi logo, 'The Vaccine Alliance', featuring a blue water drop with a globe inside. To the right of the logo is a navigation menu with links: CAREERS, CONTACT, ETHICS HOTLINE, RFP, MYGAVI, DONATE, and FRENCH. Below the menu is a search bar with the text 'Enter keyword here..' and a 'Search' button. To the right of the search bar are social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube, and Instagram. A green navigation bar contains the following menu items: HOME, ABOUT GAVI, SUPPORT, COUNTRY HUB, FUNDING & FINANCE, RESULTS & EVIDENCE, and LIBRARY & NEWS. Below the navigation bar, the breadcrumb trail reads 'You are here: About Gavi'. The main heading is 'About Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance' with a '[French]' language selector to its right. The main content area on the left contains a paragraph: 'Created in 2000, Gavi is an international organisation - a global Vaccine Alliance, bringing together public and private sectors with the shared goal of creating equal access to new and underused vaccines for children living in the world's poorest countries.' Below this is a link 'Why invest in vaccines?'. In the center is a video player with a play button and the text 'CLOSE TO HALF A BILLION' above a digital counter showing '500000000' and 'ADDITIONAL CHILDREN VACCINATED' below it. A 'YouTube' logo is in the bottom right corner of the video player. On the right side, there is a purple sidebar menu with the following items: ABOUT GAVI, Gavi's mission, Gavi's strategy, Value of vaccination, Gavi's partnership model, Gavi's business model, Global health and development, and Governing Gavi. At the bottom right of the sidebar, it says 'Gavi members include'.

A screenshot of the website for the China Chamber of Commerce for Import & Export of Medicines & Health Products (CCCMHPIE). The page has a green header with the organization's logo and name. Below the header is a navigation menu with buttons for "About CCCMHPIE", "News of CCCMHPIE", "News of Medicine Trade", "Exhibition Info", "International Communication", and "Trade Statistics". A search bar is located below the navigation menu. The main content area displays the current location as "News of CCCMHPIE" and features a news article titled "The 5th International Roundtable on China-Africa Collaboration was Held in Beijing". The article includes the date "2015-03-30", the author "Author: 信息部", and the document source "Document Source: CCCMHPIE". The text of the article describes a roundtable held in Beijing on March 26-28, 2015, co-hosted by Tsinghua University and CCCMHPIE, focusing on health care and high-quality medicines and vaccines. It mentions that the roundtable passed the official Beijing Policy Recommendations 2015, which emphasized strengthening collaboration between China and African governments, as well as with international organizations, civil society, and the private sector through dialogue and knowledge exchange. The article also identifies Ren Minghui as the Director of the Department of International Cooperation of the National Health and Family Planning Commission of the PRC.

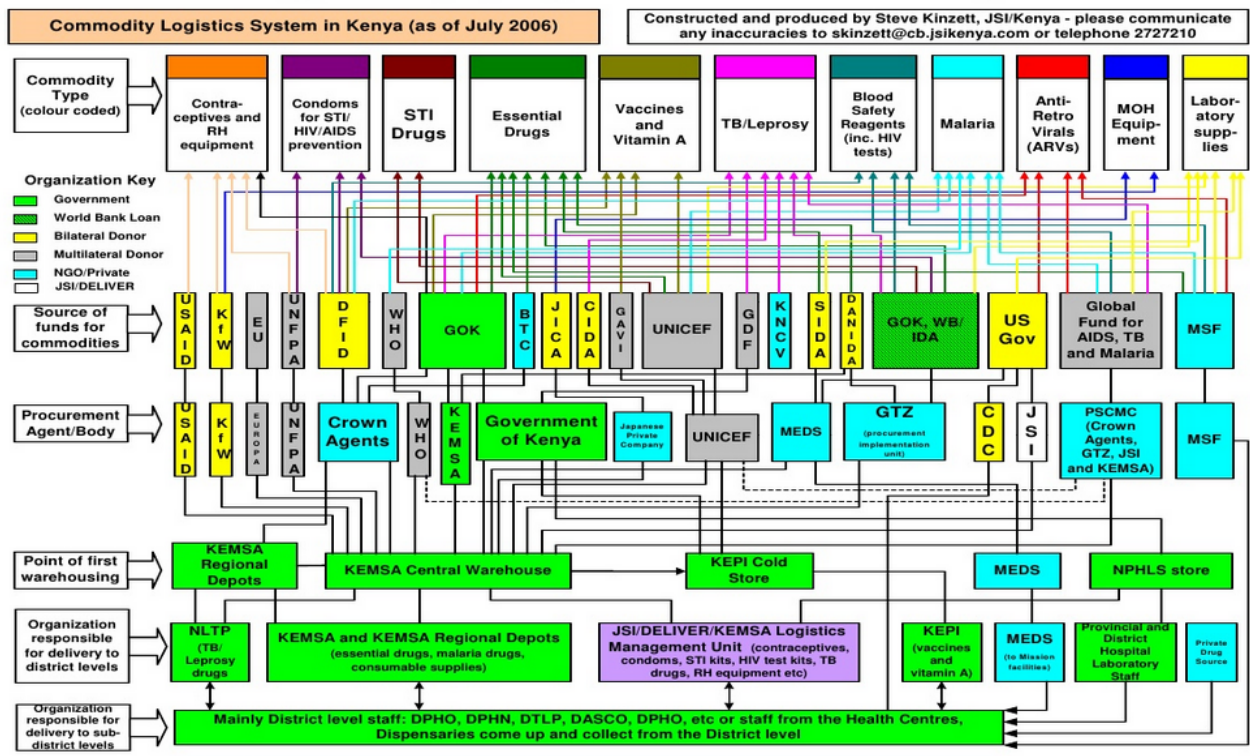


International health cooperation: A crowded space...

Cooperation for health has moved beyond aid and hence cooperation with other actors has become more relevant and necessary. And there are many... Health cooperation has become a crowded and rather confusing space.

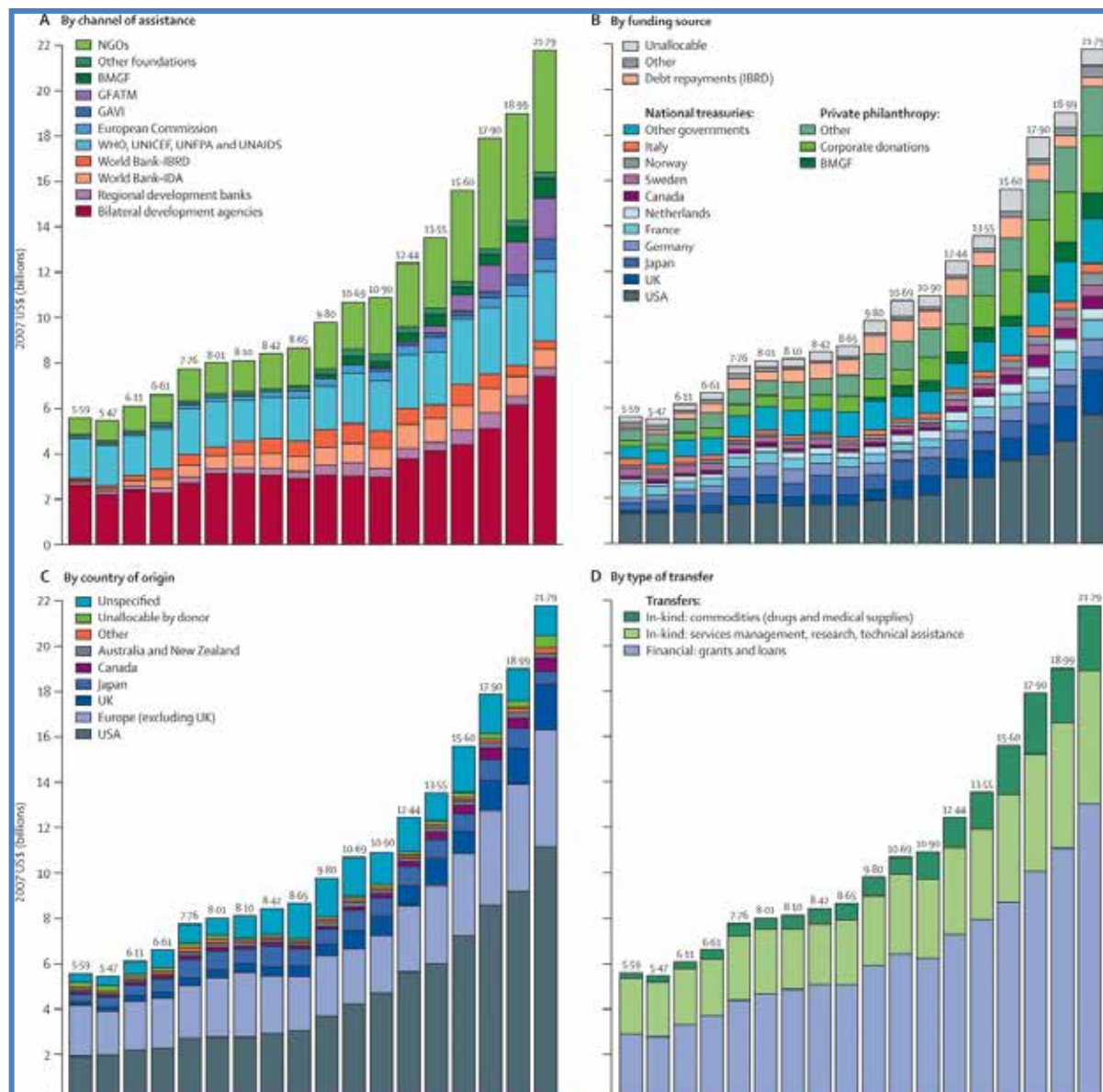


Public Drug Supply Chain: Kenya



Source: Steve Kinset, PSI Kenya

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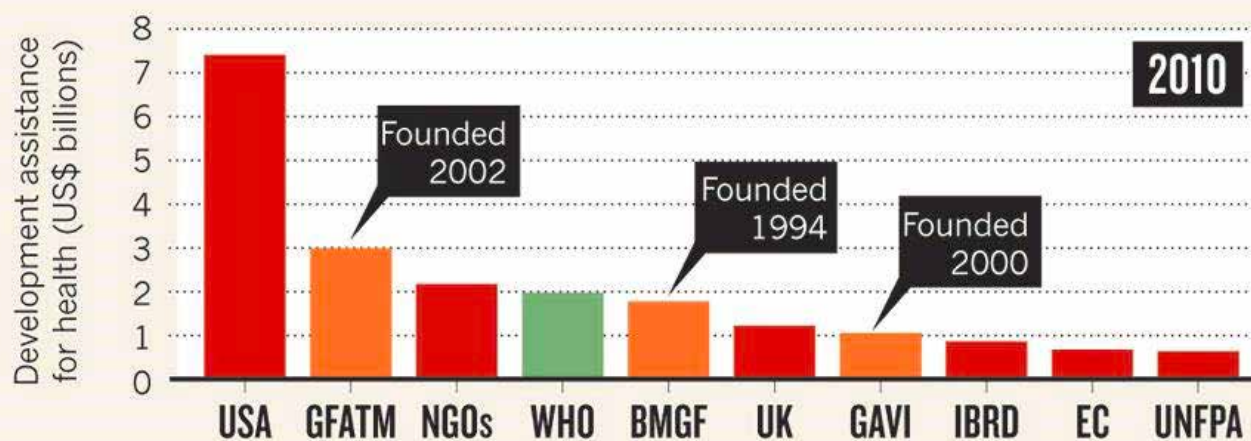
- channel of assistance (A)
- source of funding (B)
- country of origin (C)
- type of assistance (D).

IN: Financing of global health: tracking development assistance for health from 1990 to 2007. Ravishankar et al., Lancet 2009

<http://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736%2809%2960881-3/fulltext>

LOST IN THE CROWD

The World Health Organization once dominated global funding for health. Powerful new funding organizations and growing national aid programmes have surpassed it.



*Country figures represent country bilateral aid. 2010 values are preliminary estimates.



An uncertain future for international health cooperation – as part of a bigger picture



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- It has become difficult to sustain political support for development cooperation (see the current parliamentary debate in Switzerland).
- Development cooperation is trapped between macroeconomic and business approaches to social development (including the neoliberal “let the market do it”)...
- ...and a rather mixed track record and controversial history of aid – leading to fundamental objection of “aid” for political reasons.



- “Beyond aid”, actorship and ownership for development should rather lie with the countries and people/communities, and the attention of the “developed countries” should rather focus on addressing the economic and political determinants (SDoH, policy coherence, HiaP)
- This is reflected in the Sustainable Development Goals SDGs which, contrary to the MDGs, promote a holistic, universal and integrated vision of development. If this is taken and implemented seriously, there is no more “us and them”, but just one World.

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www.weckruf-armut.ch

Apps MMI HRH hw4all hw4all Call Open

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Schweiz spart auf dem Buckel der Ärmsten!

Unterzeichnen Sie jetzt den Weckruf und fordern Sie vom Parlament, den Rotstift nicht bei der Armutsbekämpfung im Süden anzusetzen.

E-Mail **Weckruf unterzeichnen**

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A screenshot of a web browser displaying the Social Watch website. The browser's address bar shows the URL "www.socialwatch.org/node/17174". The website header includes the Social Watch logo (a clock face) and the text "SOCIAL WATCH poverty eradication and gender justice". A navigation menu contains links for Home, About, Publications, News, Monitoring Commitments, and SW in the. The main content area features an article titled "INVEST MORE IN THE CARING ECONOMY, AND GROWTH WILL COME" published on Wednesday, 2016-03-30 at 14:49. The article text discusses public investment in caring infrastructure and its benefits. A social media sharing bar is visible above a thumbnail image of hands clasped together, with the text "Investing in the Care Economy" overlaid on it.

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INVEST MORE IN THE CARING ECONOMY, AND GROWTH WILL COME

Published on Wed, 2016-03-30 14:49

More public investment in caring infrastructure is well warranted under existing evidence, is the message that emerges from a new study released recently by the ITUC ("the study").

The study shows that investment into the care economy of 2 per cent of GDP in just 7 countries would create over 21 million jobs and help countries overcome the twin challenges of ageing populations and economic stagnation. Investing in care narrows the gender pay gap, reduces overall inequality and helps redress the exclusion of women from decent jobs.

The importance of investing in infrastructure has re-emerged as a priority in the international development agenda in the last decade, especially under the emphasis the Group of 20 (G20) has been placing on the issue. The G20 sees infrastructure as a key to boost demand and growth, and with it employment. Amidst growing signs of malaise and



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Interrogating scarcity: how to think about 'resource-scarce settings'

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The idea of resource scarcity permeates health ethics and health policy analysis in various contexts. However, health ethics inquiry seldom asks—as it should—why some settings are 'resource-scarce' and others not. In this article I describe interrogating scarcity as a strategy for inquiry into questions of resource allocation within a single political jurisdiction and, in particular, as an approach to the issue of global health justice in an interconnected world. I demonstrate its relevance to

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A screenshot of a web browser displaying an article on The Conversation website. The browser's address bar shows the URL: https://theconversation.com/ebola-and-zika-epidemics-are-driven-by-pathologies-of-society-not-just-a-virus-54191?platform=hootsuite. The website header includes the title "THE CONVERSATION" and the tagline "Academic rigour, journalistic flair". A search bar is located in the top right corner. Below the header, there is a navigation menu with categories: Arts + Culture, Business + Economy, Education, Environment + Energy, Health + Medicine (highlighted), Politics + Society, and Science + Technology. The main content area features the article title "Ebola and Zika epidemics are driven by pathologies of society, not just a virus" and the date "March 30, 2016 3:52pm BST". A large image shows three people in full-body protective suits, likely in a laboratory or clinical setting. To the right of the image, there is a section for the author, "David Sanders", with a small circular profile picture and his title: "Emeritus Professor, School of Public Health, University of the Western Cape". Below this is a "Disclosure statement" section, which reads: "David Sanders receives funding from the South African National Research Foundation. He is affiliated with the People's Health Movement, a global social movement." At the bottom of the page, there is a "Partners" section.

<https://theconversation.com/ebola-and-zika-epidemics-are-driven-by-pathologies-of-society-not-just-a-virus-54191>

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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the address bar displaying <http://lcid.org.uk/2014/09/30/ending-global-poverty-is-not-about-aid-its-about-politics/>. The page features a header image of children in red clothing, with the LCID logo (Labour Campaign for International Development) overlaid on the left. Below the image is a navigation menu with links: Home, About, Join as a Member, Labour's Record, Presidents & Vice Presidents, Support for LCID, and Resource. The main content area displays the title "Guest post: Beyond aid, ending global poverty is about politics" and the date "30 SEPTEMBER 2014". The author is identified as "by lcidguestblogger". A short bio for Martin Drewry is provided: "Martin Drewry is Director of **Health Poverty Action**, he writes here in a personal capacity". The first paragraph of the post reads: "Ending global poverty is not about providing aid. It is about politics. The solutions to mass poverty lie in tackling its unjust causes, not relieving its symptoms through charity. Deep down, anyone who works in development knows this." The second paragraph begins: "Yet if this is the case, why does the aid budget dominate development discourse so disproportionately?". On the right side of the page, there is a sidebar with the text "LABOUR CAMPAIGN FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT", a paragraph describing the organization, and a "JOIN LCID AS A MEMBER" section with a "Follow" button.

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A screenshot of a web browser displaying a Guardian article. The browser's address bar shows the URL: www.theguardian.com/global-development-professionals-network/2015/sep/26/7-reasons-sdgs-w. The Guardian logo is visible in the top right of the page. The article title is "7 reasons the SDGs will be better than the MDGs". Below the title, a sub-headline reads "The sustainable development goals are launched this weekend at the United Nations headquarters in New York. Here are seven reasons to celebrate". The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows several open applications, including MMI, HRH, hw4all, Call, and Open.

7 reasons the SDGs will be better than the MDGs

Best bits

The sustainable development goals are launched this weekend at the United Nations headquarters in New York. Here are seven reasons to celebrate

<http://bit.ly/1OYDIZG>



- All this leads to the statement that we are approaching the “end of aid” or “death of international development” (as we know it).
- Let us nevertheless, for the time being, conclude that we are not yet at the there. Nevertheless, to remain relevant in the future, health cooperation needs to move beyond aid, and its approaches, policies and instruments need to be carefully reassessed.

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A screenshot of a web browser displaying an Al Jazeera article. The browser's address bar shows the URL: www.aljazeera.com/indepth/opinion/2014/11/death-international-developmen-2014111991426652285.html. The Al Jazeera logo is in the top left, and a "Watch Live" button is in the top right. The article is categorized as "OPINION" and has the title "The death of international development". The sub-headline reads: "The development industry needs an overhaul of strategy, not a change of language." The article was published on "20 Nov 2014 07:00 GMT" and is tagged with "Politics, Poverty & Development, Aid". Below the text are social media sharing icons for Facebook, Twitter, and Reddit, along with a share icon. The engagement count is "Engagement: 5574". There are also icons for a printer, email, and comments. The main image shows a large pile of white sacks, some labeled "USA", with two men standing nearby in an outdoor setting.

Jason Hickel, <http://www.aljazeera.com/indepth/opinion/2014/11/death-international-developmen-2014111991426652285.html>

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A screenshot of the Medico International website. The browser address bar shows "https://www.medico.de/en/". The website header includes the Medico logo (a red 'm' in a circle), the text "medico international", and navigation links for "Presse", "Kontakt", and language options "de/en/es/fr". Below the header are menu items: "Service", "About", "Themes", "Projects", and "Donations". The main content area features a large image of a protest at night with people holding torches and flags. A red text overlay on the right side of the image reads: "Our Position", "Solidarity begins beyond aid", and a quote: "It is good and just to give homeless people shelter for the night, wrote Bertolt Brecht. He added, however, that this will not change the world, or shorten the age of exploitation." Below the quote is a "Read more" link.

<https://www.medico.de/en/>

Health cooperation: A contested field – and there is need for critical self-reflection, frank debates and mutual learning

There are fierce controversies about the approaches, strategies and instruments used in health cooperation, about the actors involved – and their power and interests – and about the governance of cooperation and health partnerships.



To start with two particular cases:

- Mozambique: Donor dependency
- Ebola: Poor health systems, failed cooperation

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Trailer "A luta Continua" (english subtitles)

**If someone comes in with 100 million,
it's hard to say "no".**

Vollbildmodus beenden

0:26 / 1:40

Mozambique: donor dependency https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I_G3SLBOypA

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<http://www.odi.org/publications/9956-ebola-response-west-africa-exposing-politics-culture-international-aid>

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A screenshot of a web browser displaying a Daily Mail article. The article title is "IMF, World Bank policies may share blame in Ebola crisis". The author is "By AFP". The article text discusses Alpha Conde, the president of Guinea, and Christine Lagarde, the Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund. A large image shows Alpha Conde holding his glasses. The right side of the page features a search bar, social media sharing options, and a "DON'T MISS" section with several article teasers and images.

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<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/wires/afp/article-2840334/IMF-World-Bank-policies-share-blame-Ebola-crisis.html>

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...and more examples of controversies:

- Vertical interventions (rapid wins? silver bullet? quick fix?) vs. strong health systems, primary health care
- Results based financing / Payment by results
- Actors and governance of health cooperation, and in particular: global health initiatives, foundations (Gates bashing), NGOs, global initiatives, WHO
- Aid alignment and effectiveness:
Promoting the donor agenda or real "health partnership plus"? People and communities:
Beneficiaries or partners/owners?
- Innovation vs. ownership, absorption, access

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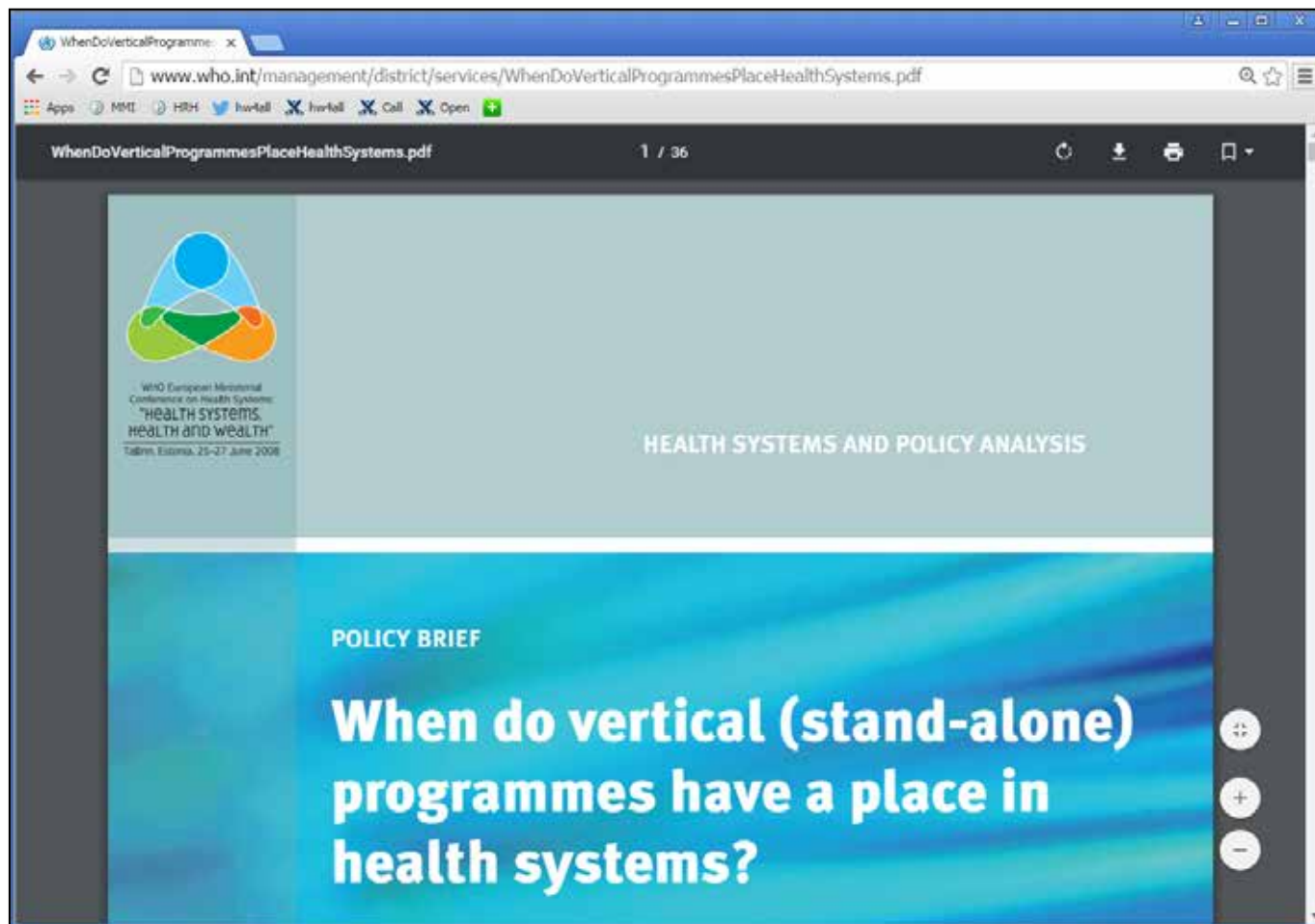


A screenshot of a web browser displaying a blog post. The browser's address bar shows the URL: www.cgdev.org/blog/should-all-vertical-programs-just-lie-down. The page header includes navigation links: "In Europe", "For US Policymakers", "Educators", "Press", "About", "Impact", and "Contribute". Below the header is the Center for Global Development logo and the tagline "Ideas to Action: Independent research for global prosperity". A navigation menu contains "Topics", "Initiatives", "Working Groups", "Publications", "Blogs", "Experts", "Events", and "GET UPDATES". The main content area features a profile picture of Ruth Levine, the title "Should All Vertical Programs Just Lie Down?", the date "10/5/07", and the author "Ruth Levine". Below the author information is the text "Global Health Policy Blog" and a list of topics: "Donor Community, HIV/AIDS and other Infectious Diseases, PEPFAR, Global Fund, World Bank, HIV/AIDS & Infectious Diseases". There is a "Leave a comment" link and social media sharing buttons for "Tweet", "Like", "G+", "Share", and "Print". The beginning of the article text is visible: "'Vertical' health programs are once again unfashionable, subject to a blistering set of critiques from all manner of experts - some of whom were instrumental, just a few short years ago, in promoting". A small text box on the right side of the page states: "CGD blog posts reflect the views of the authors drawing".

Vertical interventions (rapid wins? silver bullet? quick fix?) vs. strong health systems, primary health care

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Results based financing / Payment by results

<http://oxfamblogs.org/fp2p/payment-by-results-hasnt-produced-much-in-the-way-of-results-but-aid-donors-are-doing-it-anyway-why/>

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Results based financing / Payment by results

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<http://www.motherjones.com/environment/2013/12/gates-foundations-24-most-egregious-investments>

Partnerships, Power and the SDGs: an UNRISD Seminar

Changing narratives of



Aid relations

DONORSHIP: In order to achieve development, donors should tell recipients how to spend aid
*Washington Consensus (1996)
Post-Washington Consensus (1996)*

OWNERSHIP: In order to achieve development, recipients should decide how to spend aid
Paris Declaration (2005)

PARTNERSHIP: equal and non-hierarchical relations; inclusion of traditionally marginalised actors such as civil society and private sector
*Rome Declaration (2011)
Sustainable Development Goals (2015)*

UNRISD
United Nations Research Institute for Social Development

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Aid alignment and effectiveness:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kROW3cXOxvk>

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Beneficiary engagement in the SDG era

The international community now agrees that successful aid intervention requires the involvement of communities and beneficiaries in the decision-making process. But what should this involvement look like, and how can it be achieved?

By Jonathan Glennie, Director of Policy and Research, Save the Children UK

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Aid alignment and effectiveness:

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Global Health: Sustainable and Affordable Innovations in Healthcare



Innovation hype
<http://www.gavi.org/about/>

A contested field – and there is need for critical self-reflection, frank debates and mutual learning

In all these fields – and there are more of them – there is still a lot to learn and to share (and again: to debate) between all the actors in the field of international cooperation – and between themselves and the “owners” of their development.



- Evidence based change
evidence based cooperation
- Open data
- Complexity of health/social systems
- Particular settings such as humanitarian crises
or fragility
- ...just to mention a few.



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The Politics of Evidence and Results in International Development

Playing the Game to Change the Rules?

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Open data
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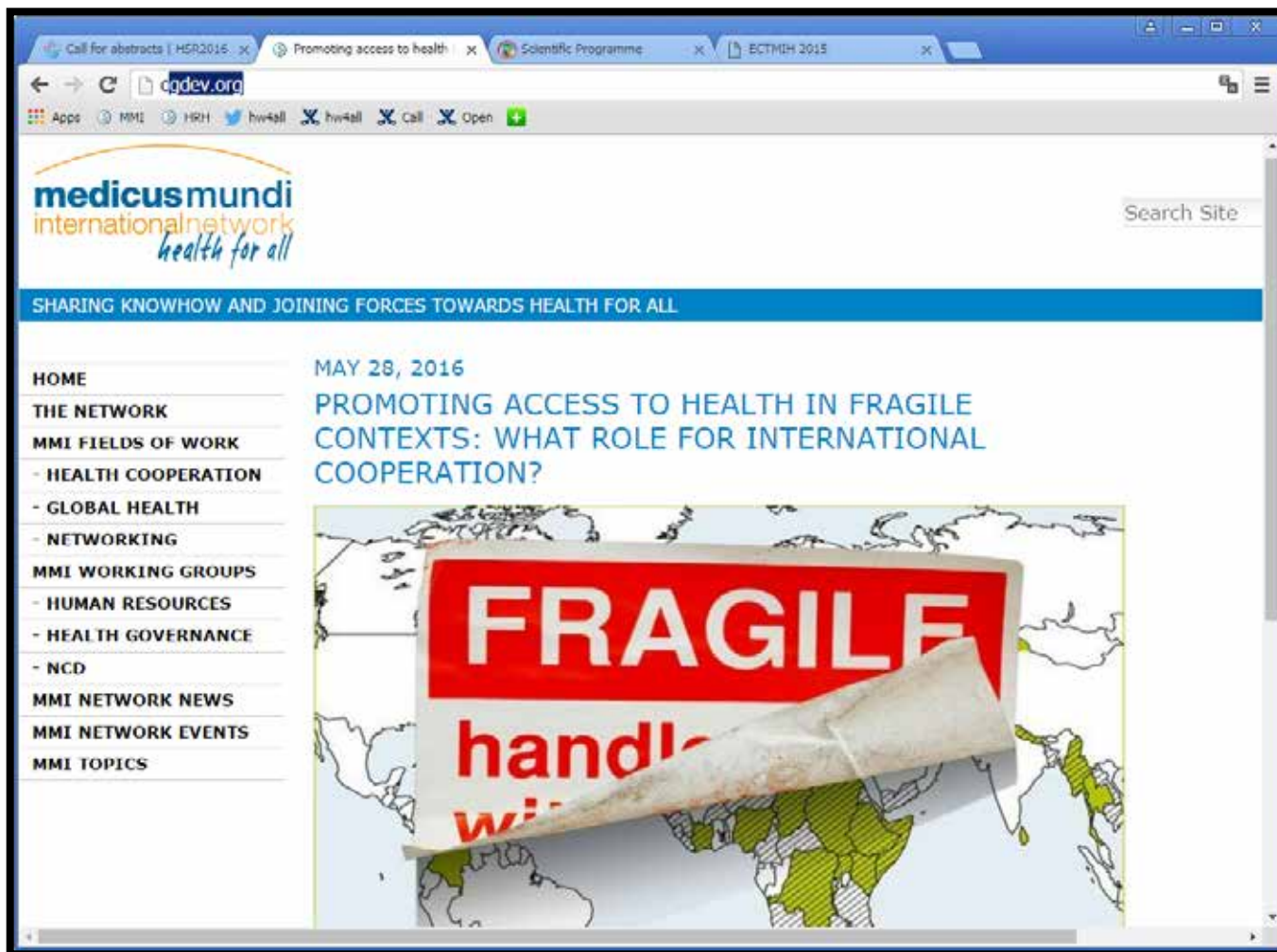
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A screenshot of a web browser displaying a blog post on the Oxfam Blogs website. The browser's address bar shows the URL: oxfamblogs.org/fp2p/can-aid-agencies-help-systems-fix-themselves-the-implications-of-complexity-for-development-cooperation/. The page features a header with the Oxfam logo and the text "FROM POVERTY TO POWER" in large green letters, with the subtitle "HOW ACTIVE CITIZENS AND EFFECTIVE STATES CAN CHANGE THE WORLD." below it. A navigation menu includes links for Home, Poverty, NGOs, Politics, Economics, Health and Education, How change happens, and About FP2P. The main content area displays the article title "Can aid agencies help systems fix themselves? The implications of complexity for development cooperation" in a large, dark font, with a date of "May 13, 2015" underneath. Below the title are social media sharing buttons for Facebook, Google+, Twitter, LinkedIn, and a "Submit" button. A short paragraph of text follows, mentioning Owen Barder's lecture and the author's intention to get responses. To the right of this text is a small portrait of a man in a white shirt and tie. Further right is a larger portrait of a man in a suit, with the caption "Photo Credit: @ZawarCawar". Below this is a paragraph of text starting with "This is a conversational blog written and maintained by Duncan Green, strategic adviser for Oxfam GB and author of 'From Poverty to Power'." and a "Translate" button.

Complexity

<http://oxfamblogs.org/fp2p/can-aid-agencies-help-systems-fix-themselves-the-implications-of-complexity-for-development-cooperation/>

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Particular settings

<http://www.medicusmundi.org/en/contributions/events/2016/promoting-access-to-health-in-fragile-contexts-what-role-for-international-cooperation-mmi-annual-assembly-and-informal-wha-side-event>



International cooperation and national health policies, plans and systems: Self-reflection takes place in many places, but cannot be taken as granted



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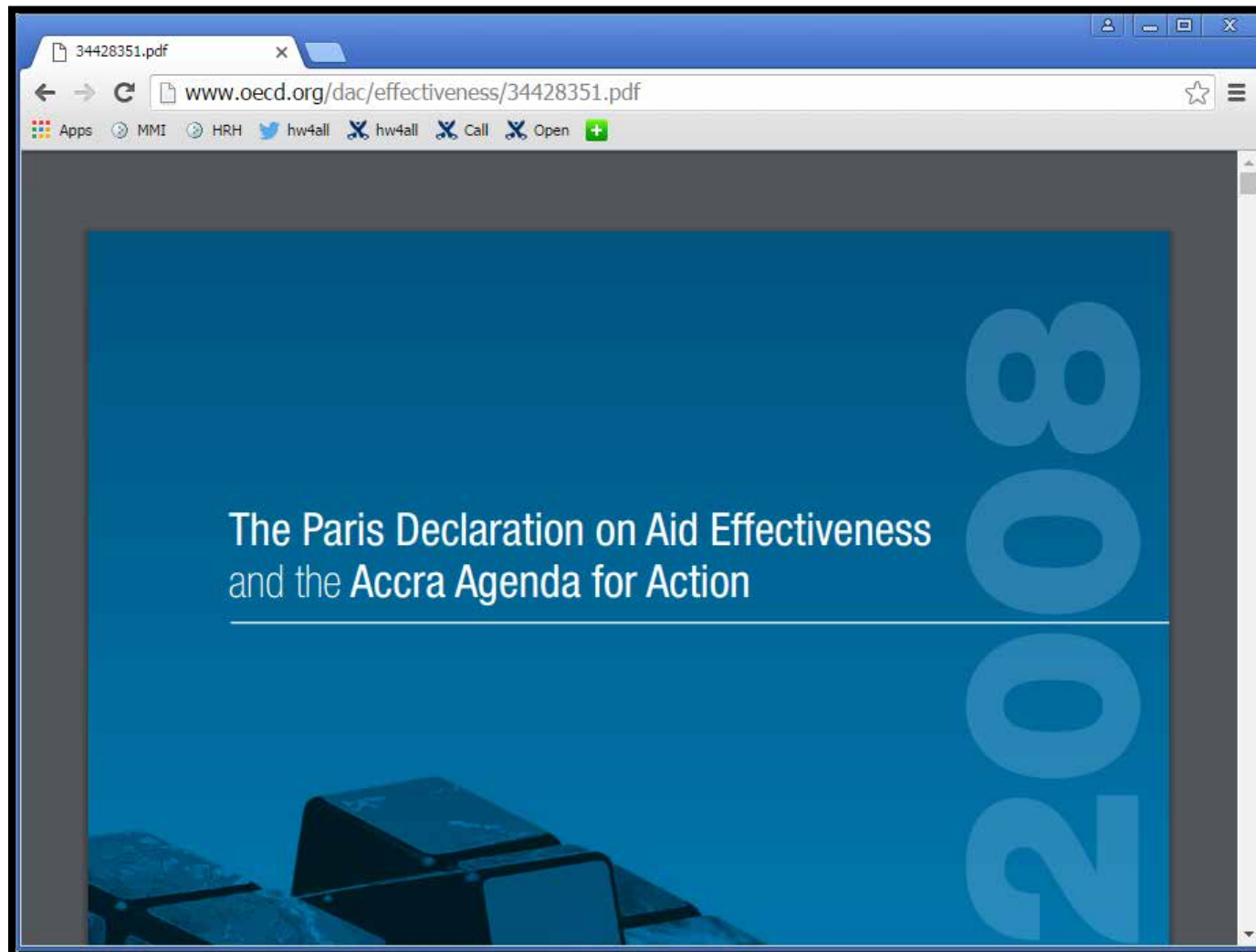
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- Over the last years, we have seen the beginning of a paradigm shift among the actors of international (health) cooperation: From analysing the health and health systems crisis of LMIC as “their problem” (and how we can help them to overcome it) to assessing our own role and instruments. Effectiveness has become an issue.
- This corresponds with the “Paris declaration” (2005) process.

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<http://www.oecd.org/dac/effectiveness/34428351.pdf>

The challenging key question is:
When it comes to strengthening – and not weakening – people centered health policies and systems, how can international cooperation be part of the solution and not part of the problem?



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The MMI Network contributed to the dialogue on the role of NGOs and “their” health cooperation with a series of eye-opener events:

- People’s Health Assembly workshop, 2012
- Mozambique workshop at MMI Assembly during WHA 2015

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A screenshot of a web browser displaying the Medicus Mundi website. The browser's address bar shows the URL: www.medicusmundi.org/en/contributions/events/2011/third-peoples-health-assembly. The website header includes the Medicus Mundi logo and the tagline "health for all". A blue navigation bar contains the text "SHARING KNOWHOW AND JOINING FORCES TOWARDS HEALTH FOR ALL". On the left side, there is a vertical menu with the following items: HOME, THE NETWORK, MMI FIELDS OF WORK (with sub-items: - HEALTH COOPERATION, - GLOBAL HEALTH, - NETWORKING), MMI WORKING GROUPS (with sub-items: - HUMAN RESOURCES, - HEALTH GOVERNANCE, - NCD), MMI NETWORK NEWS, MMI NETWORK EVENTS, and MMI TOPICS. The main content area features a large blue heading: "IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST? THE ROLE OF NGOS IN NATIONAL HEALTH SYSTEMS AND GLOBAL HEALTH POLICY. WORKSHOP AT THE PEOPLE'S HEALTH ASSEMBLY". Below the heading is a photograph of two people in a clinical setting, with a red "PRIVATE" stamp and a circular "PUBLIC INTEREST" stamp overlaid on the image.

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A screenshot of a web browser displaying a PDF document. The browser's address bar shows the URL: www.medicusmundi.org/en/contributions/events/2011/third-peoples-health-assembly/2012-ngo-workshop2a-thomas.pdf. The PDF content is on a light blue background and features the following text:

**Aiding at Change or
Abetting Crimes**

High Time to Re-politicise NGOs

Thomas Gebauer
Executive Director
medico international

Navigation icons for the PDF, including back, forward, and search, are visible on the right side of the document.

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A LUTA CONTINUA! STRENGTHENING OR WEAKENING HEALTH SYSTEMS? WORKSHOP AT THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF MMI



Screenshot from "A luta continua" (Medicus Mundi Catalunya, 2014)



But all in all, our events and contributions are too often...

- Mainly promotional (“this is what we are doing”)
- Taking the plurality of actors and approaches as a given
- Providing too little space for critical reflection and frank debate on each other’s approaches and practices



This has led us to defining a new strategic focus of the MMI Network in its Strategy 2016-20:

"We will promote knowledge sharing and mutual learning between actors in international health cooperation."

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There are already spaces and instruments for the debate and promotion of effective health cooperation: Let us sustain, expand, promote and use them!



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- IHP+ (International Health Partnerships Plus) is a “group of national governments, development agencies, and civil society organisations promoting effective development cooperation in the health sector” hosted by the World Health Organization.
- IHP+ is great platform which we intended to join, but it will be transformed this year into a comprehensive “UHC2030 Alliance”. Will there still be enough attention on the role of international cooperation?



- On the NGO side, the “NGO Code of Conduct for Health Systems Strengthening” launched eight years ago is not really “alive and kicking”.

Finally there are various spots and communities of practice such as:

- At a national level: Medicus Mundi Switzerland (within the limitations explained above)
- Thematically: GCM NCDs working group (but struggling with the basics)

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A screenshot of the IHP+ website homepage. The browser address bar shows "www.internationalhealthpartnership.net/en/". The page features a dark blue header with the "ihp+" logo, language options for "English" and "Français", a search bar, and navigation links for "FAQs", "Newsletter", "About IHP+", and "Contact us". The main content area has a blue background with a world map and the headline "Effective development cooperation in health". Below this, a text block states: "IHP+ is a group of national governments, development agencies, and civil society organisations promoting effective development cooperation in the health sector." A secondary navigation bar includes "Key issues", "Tools", "Results & Evidence", "IHP+ Partners", "Documents", and "News & Videos". The page is divided into two columns: "Watch this short film about IHP+" with a video player showing hands holding a pen, and "About IHP+" with text describing the organization's mission to align for better results, achieving the SDGs and UHC. A "What's new?" section is partially visible at the bottom.

<http://www.internationalhealthpartnership.net/en/>

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The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL www.internationalhealthpartnership.net/en/about-ihp/seven-behaviours/. The page title is "Seven Behaviours" and the subtitle is "How development partners can change for the better".

The main content features a circular diagram with seven segments, each representing a behaviour:

- Provide well-coordinated technical assistance
- Support a single national health strategy
- Record all funds for health in the national budget
- Harmonize and align with national financial management systems
- Harmonize and align with national procurement and supply systems
- Use one information and accountability platform
- Support south-to-south and triangular cooperation

The central text of the diagram reads "Seven behaviours".

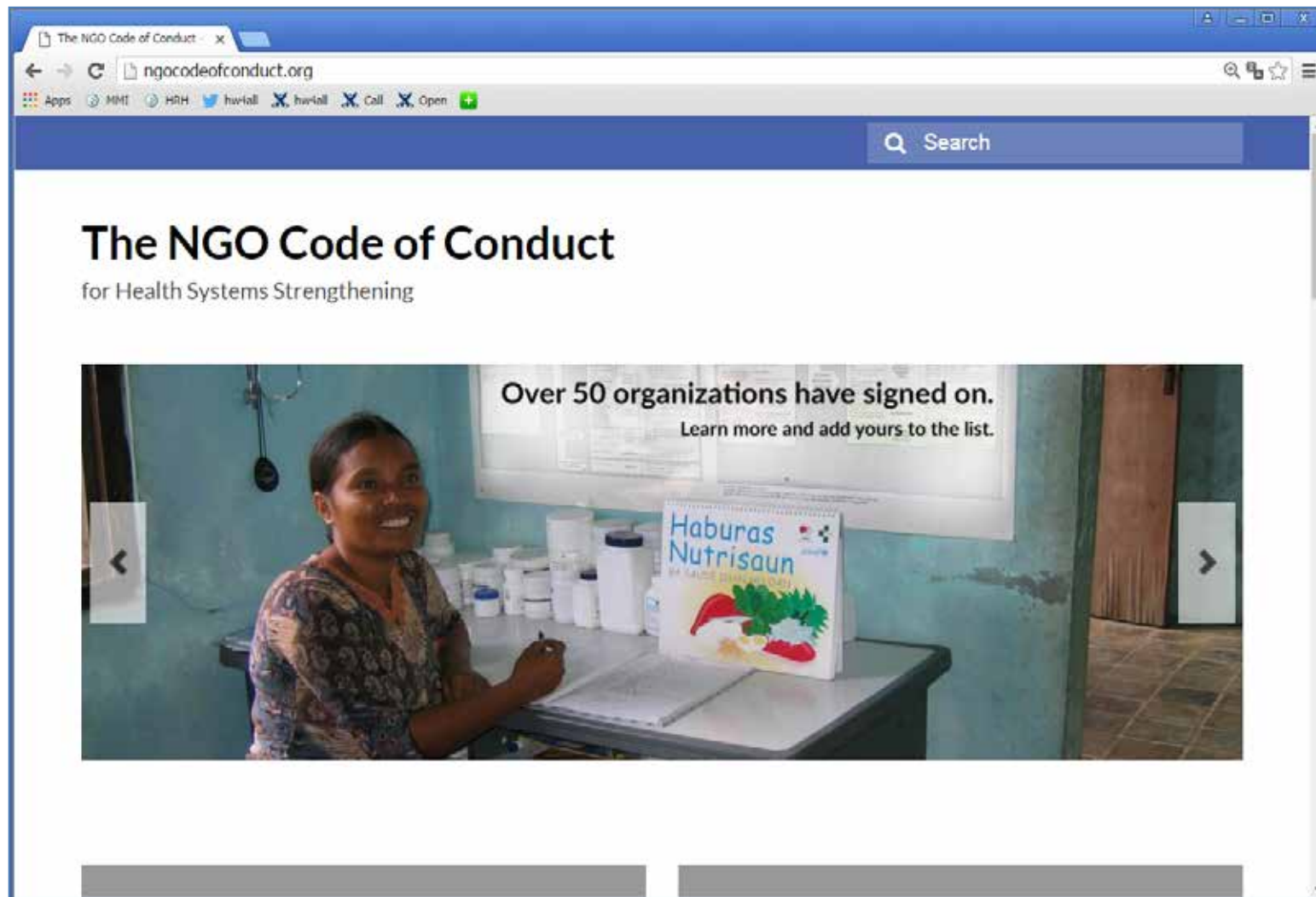
On the right side of the page, there is a vertical menu with the following items:

- Seven Behaviours
- What we do
- History
- Working Groups
- Management and Documents
- Past IHP+ Meetings
- A global commitment

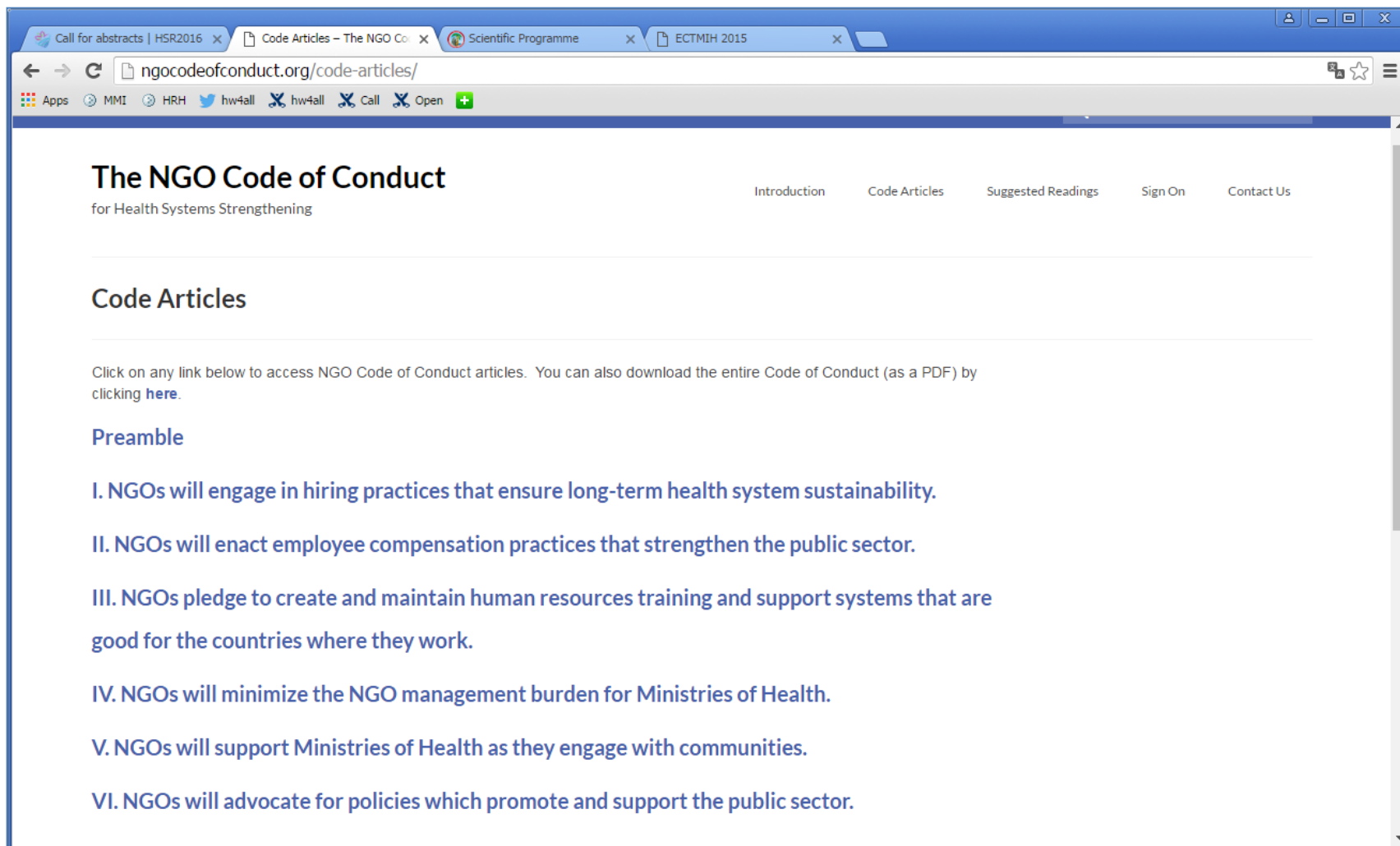
Operationalizing UHC 2030 : Proposed next steps

- **Core Team:** Produce Summary of discussions; to be shared by **15 April**, comments from SC **22 April**, to be incorporated into Concept Note with options, revised CN **end April**. Comments on CN from SC by **mid May**.
- **13th April:** **Global Health Leader's** meeting discuss changed IHP+
- **End April:** ask Agreement/no objection from **IHP+ Signatories**, reply by **Mid May**
- **May:** **G7** may mention IHP+ transformation to new partnership & help signal level of ambition
- **21st June:** **IHP+ Steering Committee** discuss revised CN and decides on composition of the revised partnership Steering Committee, other key governance issues & the content of the global compact.
- **22nd to 23rd June:** **Multi stakeholder consultation** on UHC 2030 including a

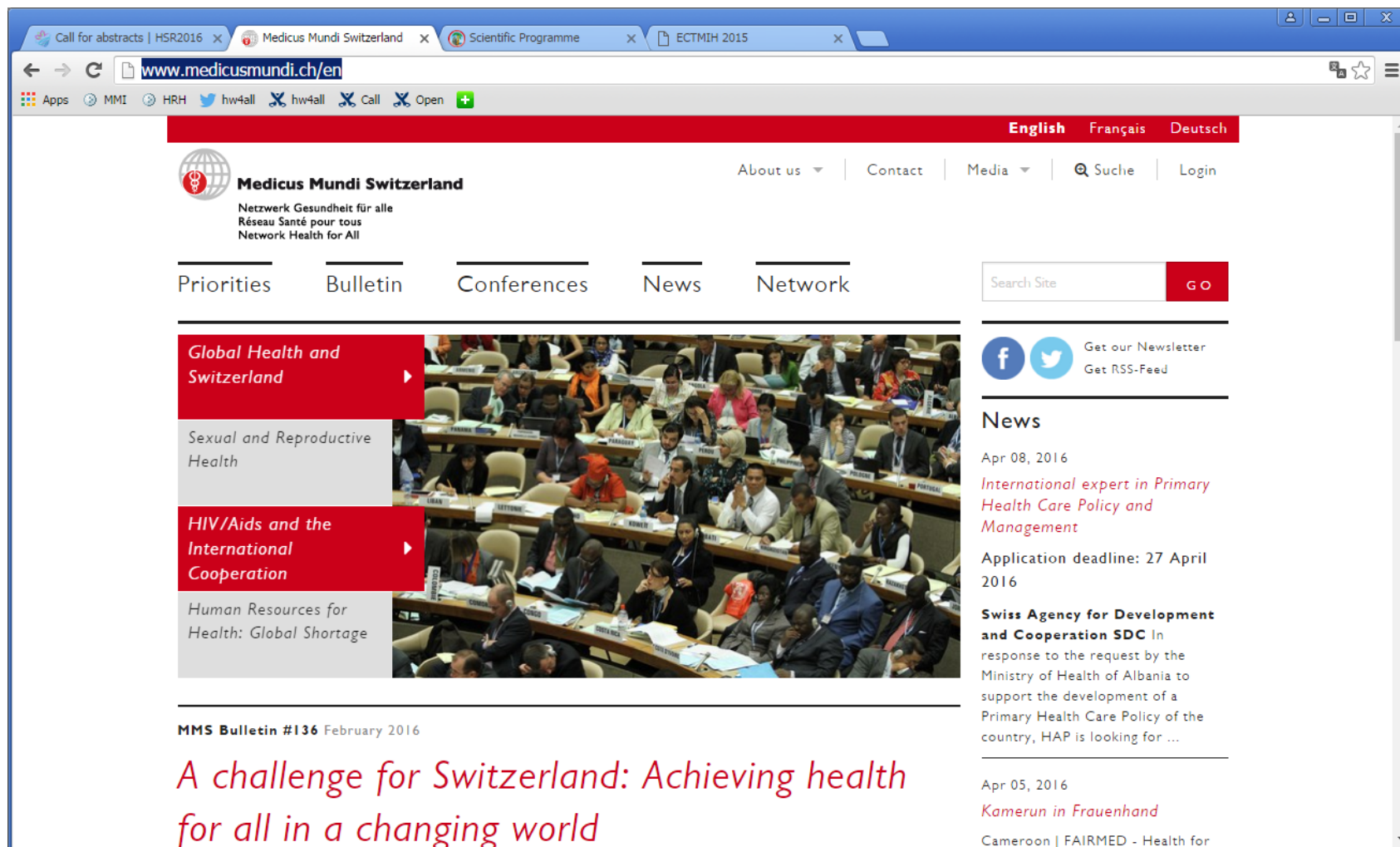
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<http://ngocodeofconduct.org/>

A screenshot of a web browser displaying the website ngocodeofconduct.org. The browser has several tabs open: "Call for abstracts | HSR2016", "Code Articles - The NGO Co...", "Scientific Programme", and "ECTMIH 2015". The address bar shows "ngocodeofconduct.org/code-articles/". The website content includes a navigation menu with "Introduction", "Code Articles", "Suggested Readings", "Sign On", and "Contact Us". The main heading is "The NGO Code of Conduct for Health Systems Strengthening". Below this is a section titled "Code Articles" with a sub-heading "Preamble". The preamble lists six points: I. NGOs will engage in hiring practices that ensure long-term health system sustainability. II. NGOs will enact employee compensation practices that strengthen the public sector. III. NGOs pledge to create and maintain human resources training and support systems that are good for the countries where they work. IV. NGOs will minimize the NGO management burden for Ministries of Health. V. NGOs will support Ministries of Health as they engage with communities. VI. NGOs will advocate for policies which promote and support the public sector.

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The screenshot shows the website www.medicusmundi.ch/en in a browser window. The page has a red header with navigation links for "English", "Français", and "Deutsch". Below the header is the Medicus Mundi Switzerland logo and tagline: "Netzwerk Gesundheit für alle", "Réseau Santé pour tous", "Network Health for All". The main navigation menu includes "Priorities", "Bulletin", "Conferences", "News", and "Network". A search bar is located on the right side of the page. The content area features a large image of a conference room with people seated at desks. To the left of the image are four red and white boxes with text: "Global Health and Switzerland", "Sexual and Reproductive Health", "HIV/Aids and the International Cooperation", and "Human Resources for Health: Global Shortage". Below the image is the text "MMS Bulletin #136 February 2016". On the right side, there are social media icons for Facebook and Twitter, and a "Get our Newsletter" button. Below that is a "News" section with two articles: "International expert in Primary Health Care Policy and Management" dated Apr 08, 2016, and "Kamerun in Frauenhand" dated Apr 05, 2016.

*A challenge for Switzerland: Achieving health
for all in a changing world*

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The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the WHO website. The address bar shows the URL: www.who.int/global-coordination-mechanism/working-groups/working-group-3-2/en/. The page header includes the WHO logo and the text 'World Health Organization'. Below the header, there are language options: عربي, 中文, English (selected), Français, Русский, and Español. The main content area features the title 'WHO Global Coordination Mechanism on the Prevention and Control of NCDs' in orange. Below this, there is a section titled 'The WHO GCM/NCD Working Group on the alignment of international cooperation with national plans on NCDs (Working Group 3.2, 2016-2017)'. The text in this section reads: 'The WHO GCM/NCD Working Group on the alignment of international cooperation with national plans on NCDs (Working Group 3.2, 2016-2017) was formed under Objective 3 of the GCM/NCD 2016-17 work plan to provide a forum to identify barriers and share innovative solutions and actions for the implementation of the global action plan for the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases 2013–2020 and to promote'. On the left side of the page, there is a navigation menu with the following items: Global Coordination Mechanism on NCDs, Participants, Working Groups (highlighted in orange), Dialogues, NCD themes, and News and events.

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International health cooperation at global health conferences: No easy home



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- There are always many people/institutions working in the field of international health cooperation participating in global health conferences such as GHF, HSR Symposium, ECTMIH, but these conferences are not an easy home for us to participate in the conversation.



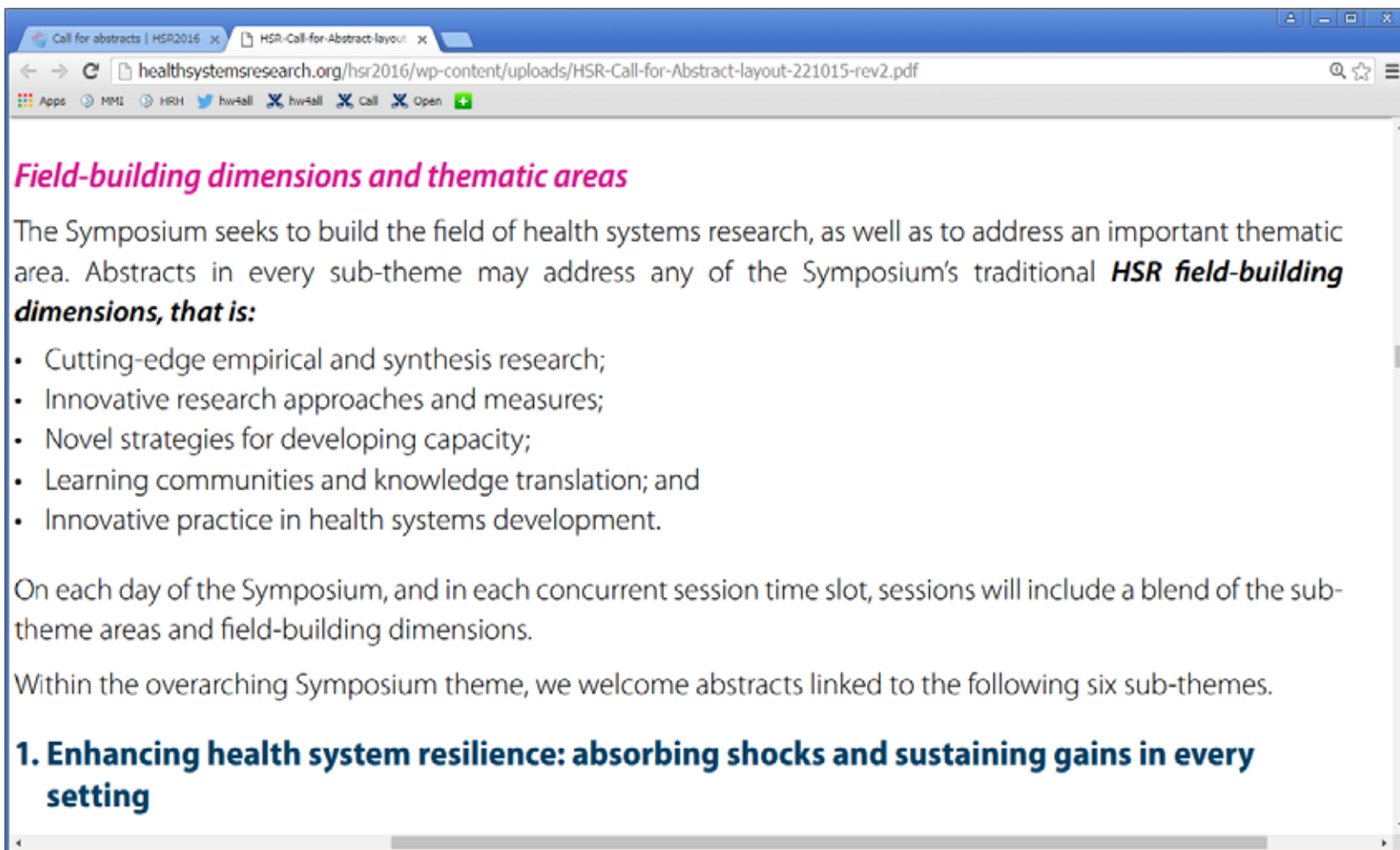
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- Also in the outline of the Geneva Health Forum 2016, international health cooperation has not been considered as a "vector of innovation". Despite the fact that there are be many representatives of international health cooperation participating, it has proved difficult to find the right entry point to address approaches, policies and instruments of health cooperation and their impact on national health policies and systems.
- Happy to see ourselves now in the "Federal Café"!

A screenshot of a web browser window displaying a call for abstracts page. The browser's address bar shows the URL: healthsystemsresearch.org/hsr2016/wp-content/uploads/HSR-Call-for-Abstract-layout-221015-rev2.pdf. The page content includes a section header, a paragraph of text, a bulleted list, another paragraph, and a sub-theme heading.

Field-building dimensions and thematic areas

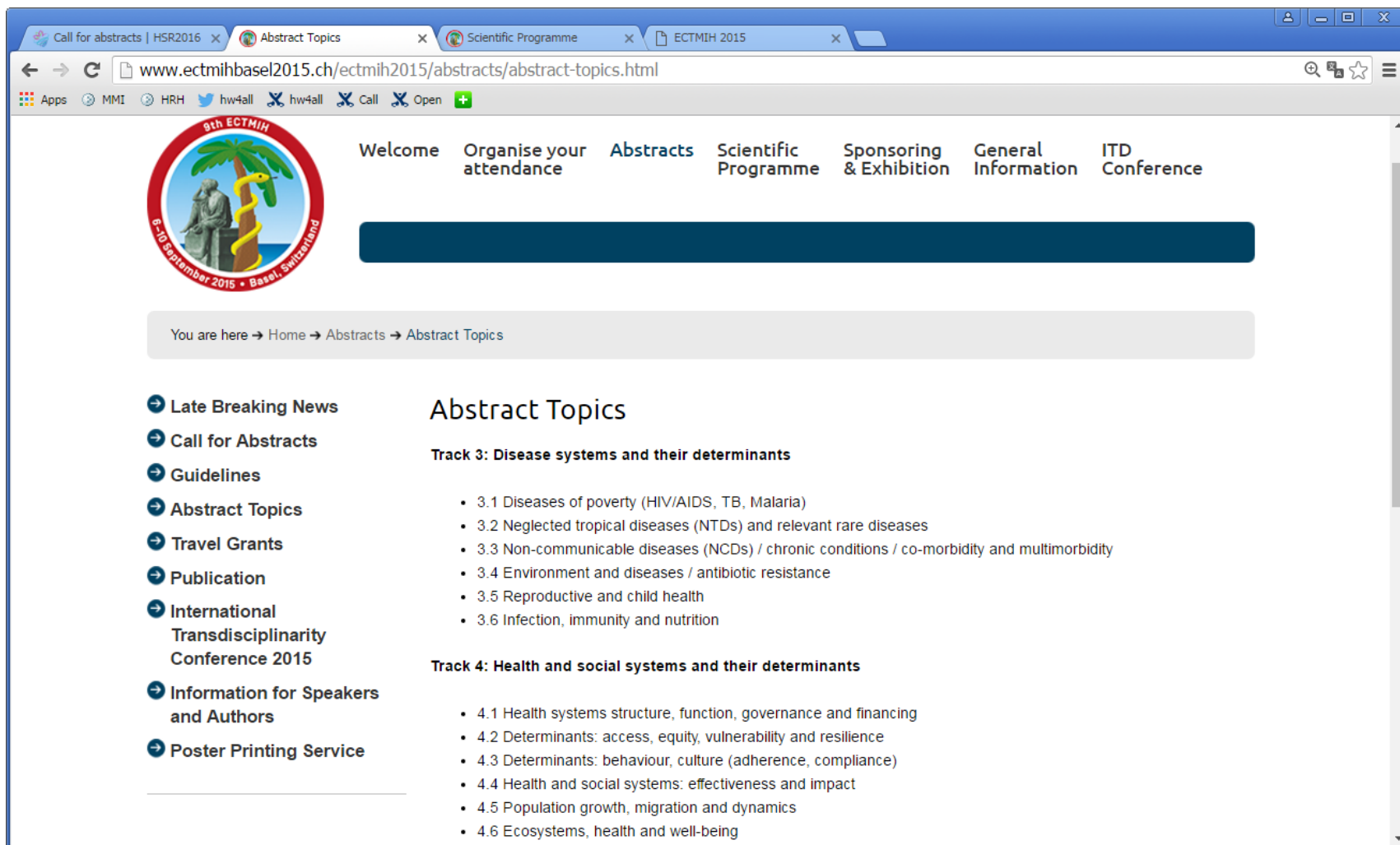
The Symposium seeks to build the field of health systems research, as well as to address an important thematic area. Abstracts in every sub-theme may address any of the Symposium's traditional ***HSR field-building dimensions, that is:***

- Cutting-edge empirical and synthesis research;
- Innovative research approaches and measures;
- Novel strategies for developing capacity;
- Learning communities and knowledge translation; and
- Innovative practice in health systems development.

On each day of the Symposium, and in each concurrent session time slot, sessions will include a blend of the sub-theme areas and field-building dimensions.

Within the overarching Symposium theme, we welcome abstracts linked to the following six sub-themes.


1. Enhancing health system resilience: absorbing shocks and sustaining gains in every setting

A screenshot of a web browser displaying the "Abstract Topics" page for the 9th ECTMIH conference. The browser tabs include "Call for abstracts | HSR2016", "Abstract Topics", "Scientific Programme", and "ECTMIH 2015". The address bar shows the URL "www.ectmihbasel2015.ch/ectmih2015/abstracts/abstract-topics.html". The page features a navigation menu with links for "Welcome", "Organise your attendance", "Abstracts", "Scientific Programme", "Sponsoring & Exhibition", "General Information", and "ITD Conference". A circular logo for the 9th ECTMIH (6-10 September 2015, Basel, Switzerland) is visible on the left. The main content area is titled "Abstract Topics" and lists two tracks: "Track 3: Disease systems and their determinants" and "Track 4: Health and social systems and their determinants", each with a bulleted list of sub-topics. A sidebar on the left contains a list of links such as "Late Breaking News", "Call for Abstracts", "Guidelines", "Abstract Topics", "Travel Grants", "Publication", "International Transdisciplinarity Conference 2015", "Information for Speakers and Authors", and "Poster Printing Service".

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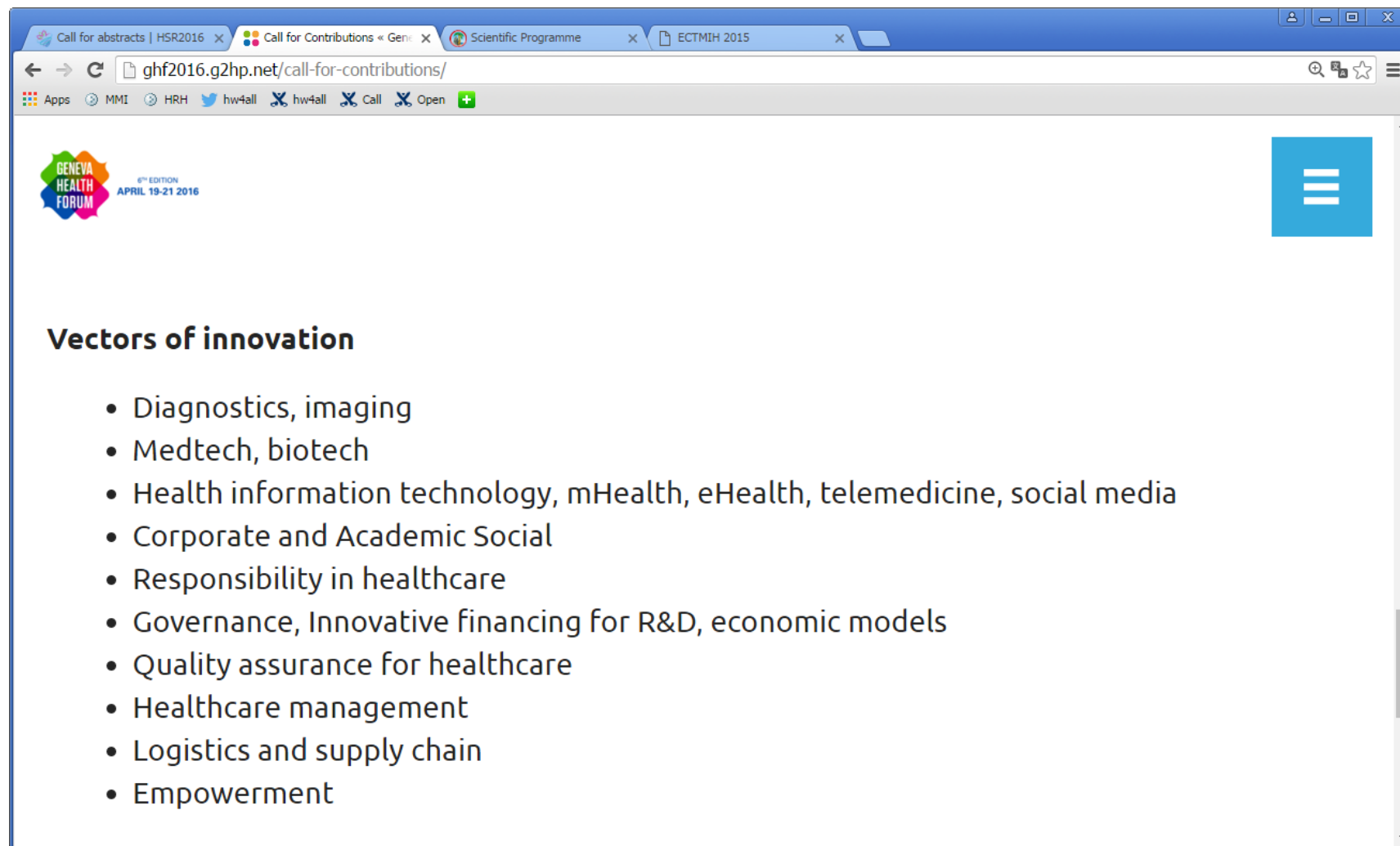
Track 3: Disease systems and their determinants


- 3.1 Diseases of poverty (HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria)
- 3.2 Neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) and relevant rare diseases
- 3.3 Non-communicable diseases (NCDs) / chronic conditions / co-morbidity and multimorbidity
- 3.4 Environment and diseases / antibiotic resistance
- 3.5 Reproductive and child health
- 3.6 Infection, immunity and nutrition

Track 4: Health and social systems and their determinants

- 4.1 Health systems structure, function, governance and financing
- 4.2 Determinants: access, equity, vulnerability and resilience
- 4.3 Determinants: behaviour, culture (adherence, compliance)
- 4.4 Health and social systems: effectiveness and impact
- 4.5 Population growth, migration and dynamics
- 4.6 Ecosystems, health and well-being

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A screenshot of a web browser window. The address bar shows the URL "ghf2016.g2hp.net/call-for-contributions/". The page content includes the Geneva Health Forum logo (6th Edition, April 19-21 2016) and a section titled "Vectors of innovation" with a list of topics: Diagnostics, imaging; Medtech, biotech; Health information technology, mHealth, eHealth, telemedicine, social media; Corporate and Academic Social; Responsibility in healthcare; Governance, Innovative financing for R&D, economic models; Quality assurance for healthcare; Healthcare management; Logistics and supply chain; and Empowerment.

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- Let us admit the limitations and challenges of health cooperation, but let us not give it up with it too easy. Health cooperation still has an important role to play.
- Let us not allow business as usual nor a “strategic marketing” approach for the further development of our own work, strategies and instruments.
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- Let us renew our interest and invest(igate) in instruments, platforms and communities of practice for critically assessing our own work and promoting more effective health cooperation!
- Let us jointly promote and use all already existing spaces and communities that allow an in-depth dialogue and debate



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So back to the teasing title. Is it “time for a global symposium?” Today we would rather say no.

- The idea has been tempting, but let us agree that we are not interested in building a new silo (even if it might be a “strategic niche”) by promoting a new “global symposium on international health cooperation”.



- Let us rather get into a dialogue with (selected) organizers of global health events (focusing on health systems and policies) and let us promote the creation of particular tracks/session (or any other method of hosting a dialogue, attracting attention to it and providing a structure and entrance point on the particular role and contributions of international health cooperation.
- Let us invest in improving the “reflective quality” of our own events, eventually introducing and promoting a quality label and a specific events calendar.

Thursday, 21 April 2016, 12:30-14:00
Federal Café at the Geneva Health Forum

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Thanks for your attention!

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