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NEW WEBSITES WITHIN THE UN SYSTEM

UN in General

Alliance of Civilizations – new website

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

The Alliance of Civilizations, a UN initiative to combat extremism and improve relations between predominantly Muslim and Western societies, has launched its new Web site, which provides an overview of the initiative's goals, the membership of the High-level Group of eminent persons, analysis and outreach activities, and information about related endeavors.

Newly established in November 2005 by UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan and co-sponsored by the Prime Ministers of Spain and Turkey, the Alliance of Civilizations seeks to forge collective political will and to mobilize concerted action at all levels to overcome extremism, with an aim to overcome prejudice, misperceptions and polarization by encouraging a global movement which rejects extremism in any society and reflects the will of the vast majority of people.

Índice del sitio web en español (Búsqueda alfabética y temática)

http://www.un.org/spanish/site_index/

New website for United Nations press releases and meetings coverage summaries

English: <http://www.un.org/apps/pressreleases/>

French: <http://www.un.org/french/apps/pressreleases/>

The new site consolidates and improves access to coverage of intergovernmental meetings, some while still in progress; statements by the Secretary-General; transcripts of the Spokesman's noon briefing; summaries of press conferences; and other United Nations press releases. It also provides search functions for these various resources, dating back to October 1995, as well as links to various news- and media-related sites at United Nations Headquarters and overseas Offices. It is managed by the Department of Public Information's Meetings Coverage Section.

Mandate Review Report

English: <http://www.un.org/mandatereview/>

French: <http://www.un.org/french/mandatereview/>

Spanish: <http://www.un.org/spanish/mandatereview/>

On 30 March 2006, the Secretary-General presented a report on the review of UN mandates to the General Assembly. The report responds to the World Summit 2005 resolution (A/RES/60/1) to "review all mandates older than five years originating from resolutions of the General Assembly and other organs" (A/60/733). A searchable Mandate Review Registry is also available online. The database is searchable by organ, issue area, status and keyword. Also available is an online tutorial and a section of Frequently Asked Questions.

Secretary-General's Lecture Series – Webcasts

English: <http://www.un.org/webcast/sg/lectureseries.htm>

French: <http://www.un.org/french/sg/lectures/langue.html>

Peace & Security

Conseil de sécurité - Comité contre le terrorisme

<http://www.un.org/french/docs/sc/committees/1373/>

United Nations Peacekeeping: Questions & Answers

(updated version of DPI/2350)

<http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/faq/index.htm>

Economic & Social Development

ESCAP Economic and Social Survey 2006: Energizing the global economy

<http://www.unescap.org/pdd/publications/survey2006/sv06-full.pdf>

Food Security Information for Action (European Commission / FAO)

<http://www.foodsecinfoaction.org/News/>

This website provides access to Food Security related information and resources produced by the EC-FAO Food Security Information for Action Programme. Its overall purpose is to enhance national capacity to use food security information from different sectors and sources for more effective anti-hunger policies and programmes. The Programme is funded by the European Commission (EC) and implemented by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). It is coordinated by FAO's Agricultural and Development Economics Division.

Global Biodiversity Outlook 2

<http://www.biodiv.org/gbo2/default.shtml>

The report contains a succinct overview of the status of the implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity, progress towards the 2010 Biodiversity Target and its contribution to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals. Summary is available in English, French and Spanish.

Global Monitoring Report 2006: Strengthening Mutual Accountability - Aid, Trade & Governance

<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/EXTDEC/EXTGLOBALMONITOR/EXTGLOBA LMONITOR2006/0,,contentMDK:20810084~menuPK:2186472~pagePK:64218950~piPK:64218883~theSitePK:2186432,00.html>

The third annual Global Monitoring Report on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), subtitled Strengthening Mutual Accountability – Aid, Trade and Governance was published on April 20, 2006, by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

It highlights economic growth, better quality aid, and trade reforms, as well as governance as essential elements to achieve the Millennium Development Goals.

Global Tuberculosis Control - surveillance, planning, financing (WHO report)

http://www.who.int/tb/publications/global_report/2006/download_centre/en/

Report is available in English, French and Spanish.

Green TV (new Environmental Webcast is launched)

<http://www.green.tv/>

The UN Environment Programme announced the launch of what they called the world's first broadband TV channel dedicated to environmental issues. green.tv is also being podcast on iTunes and carries an RSS feed. It will carry films from around the world produced by leading environmental organizations, community filmmakers, public sector bodies, companies with an interest in protecting the environment and many more.

International Year of Sport and Physical Education 2005 (IYSPE 2005): Final Report
http://www.un.org/sport2005/a_year/IYSPE_Report_FINAL.pdf

The report highlights the worldwide achievements and the significant role that sport can play in accelerating progress towards the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals by 2015.

Progress on Global Access to HIV Antiretroviral Therapy: A Report on 3 by 5 and Beyond (WHO & UNAIDS report)

http://www.who.int/hiv/fullreport_en_highres.pdf

The report shows that the number of people on HIV antiretroviral treatment (ART) in low- and middle-income countries more than tripled to 1.3 million in December 2005 from 400 000 in December 2003. It also says that the lessons learned in the last two years provide a foundation for global efforts now underway to provide universal access to HIV treatment by 2010.

Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property Rights (Report of the Commission on Intellectual Property Rights, Innovation and Public Health)

English, French and Spanish:

<http://www.who.int/intellectualproperty/documents/thereport/en/index.html>

The report sets out more than 50 recommendations for countries to consider to ensure that poor people in developing countries have access to essential medical technologies — especially products to diagnose, prevent and treat the diseases which affect them most.

Trade and Environment Review 2006 (UNCTAD report)

<http://www.unctad.org/Templates/WebFlyer.asp?intltemID=3725&lang=1>

This report focuses on turning environment barriers into opportunities. The report recommends developing countries take a proactive approach to deal with trade regulations on environmental health-related concerns, and focuses on two sectors: electrical and electronic equipment and organic agricultural products.

Water: a Shared Responsibility (2nd UN World Water Development Report)

English: <http://www.unesco.org/water/wwap/wwdr2/index.shtml>

French: http://www.unesco.org/water/wwap/wwdr2/index_fr.shtml

Spanish: http://www.unesco.org/water/wwap/wwdr2/index_es.shtml

World Economic Outlook: Globalization and Inflation, April 2006 (IMF report)

English: <http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/weo/2006/01/index.htm>

French: <http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/weo/2006/01/esl/index.htm>

Spanish: <http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/weo/2006/01/fra/index.htm>

Human Rights

Human Rights Council (Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

English: <http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/>

French: <http://www.ohchr.org/french/bodies/hrcouncil/index.htm>

Spanish: <http://www.ohchr.org/spanish/bodies/hrcouncil/>

Human Rights Council Elections

English: <http://www.un.org/ga/60/elect/hrc/>

French: <http://www.un.org/french/ga/60/elect/hrc/>

The first election of the members of the newly established Human Rights Council (HRC) will be held by the General Assembly on 9 May 2006. Member States that have chosen to announce their candidacies in writing are being listed on this website.

The State of the World's Refugees 2006: Human displacement in the new millennium (UNHCR report)

<http://www.unhcr.org/cgi-bin/teaxis/vtx/template?page=publ&src=static/sowr2006/toceng.htm>

Humanitarian Affairs

Health Effects of the Chernobyl Accident and Special Health Care Programmes (WHO report)

http://www.who.int/ionizing_radiation/chernobyl/en/index.html

Revisiting Chernobyl: 20 years later

<http://www.iaea.org/NewsCenter/Focus/Chernobyl/index.html>

International Law

International Court of Justice – 60th Anniversary

English & French: <http://www.icj-cij.org/60/index.htm>

United Nations Assistance to Khmer Rouge Trials

<http://www.un.org/law/khmerrougetrials/>

NEW INFORMATION MATERIAL

Single copies of the following titles can be ordered via e-mail: info@unric.org

Bulletin on action by the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations relevant to the question of Palestine, January 2006, Volume XXIX, Bulletin No. 1.

United Nations. Division for Palestinian Rights. 5 p.

Online version:

<http://domino.un.org/unispal.nsf/1ce874ab1832a53e852570bb006dfaf6/f6e6da894805082885257116005f94b4!OpenDocument>

Bulletin on action by the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations relevant to the question of Palestine, October 2005, Volume XXVIII, Bulletin No. 10.

United Nations. Division for Palestinian Rights. 6 p.

Online version:

<http://domino.un.org/unispal.nsf/1ce874ab1832a53e852570bb006dfaf6/bf5d83643e7dd7b852570f9005c664c!OpenDocument>

Bulletin on action by the United Nations system and intergovernmental organizations relevant to the question of Palestine, September 2005, Volume XXVIII, Bulletin No. 9

United Nations. Division for Palestinian Rights. 11 p.

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United Nations. Division for Palestinian Rights. 11 p.

Online version:

<http://domino.un.org/unispal.nsf/1ce874ab1832a53e852570bb006dfaf6/53e13c8bc9c66dc485257116005e88ee!OpenDocument>

Bulletin sur les mesures prises par les organismes des Nations Unies et les organisations intergouvernementales concernant la question de Palestine, janvier 2006, Volume XXIX, Bulletin n° 1.

Nations Unies. Division des droits des Palestiniens. 7 p.

Online version:

[http://domino.un.org/unispal.nsf/1ce874ab1832a53e852570bb006dfaf6/f6e6da894805082885257116005f94b4/\\$FILE/French.pdf](http://domino.un.org/unispal.nsf/1ce874ab1832a53e852570bb006dfaf6/f6e6da894805082885257116005f94b4/$FILE/French.pdf)

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Nations Unies. Division des droits des Palestiniens. 8 p.

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Bulletin sur les mesures prises par les organismes des Nations Unies et les organisations intergouvernementales concernant la question de Palestine, septembre 2005, Volume XXVIII, Bulletin n°9

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Bulletin sur les mesures prises par les organismes des Nations Unies et les organisations intergouvernementales concernant la question de Palestine, août 2005, Volume XXVIII, Bulletin n°8

Nations Unies. Division des droits des Palestiniens. 14 p.

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Calendar of Conferences and Meetings as of 1 April 2006.

Online version: <http://conf.un.org/DGAACS/Meetings.nsf/wByYear?OpenForm>

Las Naciones Unidas y la cuestión de Palestina.

Naciones Unidas. Departamento de Información Pública de las Naciones Unidas.

DPI/2157/Rev.2. Marzo de 2005.

network : The UN Women's Newsletter. Vol. 9, No. 2, April, May, June 2005. 19 p.

Online version: <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/osagi/fpnetworks.htm>

L'Organisation des Nations Unies et la question de Palestine

Nations Unies. Département de l'information de l'ONU. DPI/2157/Rev.2. Février 2005.

The United Nations and the Question of Palestine.

United Nations Department of Public Information. DPI/2157/Rev.2. February 2005.

United Nations Peace Operations: Year in Review 2005; A good year for peacekeeping.

United Nations Department of Public Information. DPI/2420. February 2006. 28 p.

Online version: http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/pub/year_review05/index.htm

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Eight United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas: New York, 27 June – 1 July 2005; Report of the Conference.

United Nations. New York. 2006. iii, 27 p. (E/CONF.96/3)

Sales No. E.06.I.12. ISBN 92-1-101127-2.

II.C World Economy

World Economic Situation and Prospects 2006.
United Nations. New York. 2006. xviii, 162 p.
Sales No. E.06.II.C.2. ISBN 92-1-109150-2.
Online version: <http://www.un.org/esa/policy/wess/wesp.html>

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Investment Policy Review: Kenya.
United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2005. xi, 114 p. (UNCTAD/ITE/IPC/2005/8)
Sales No. E.05.II.D.21. ISBN 92-1-112681-9.
Online version: http://www.unctad.org/en/docs/iteipc20058_en.pdf

TNCs and the Removal of Textiles and Clothing Quotas. (UNCTAD Current Studies on FDI and Development No. 1)
United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2005. viii, 70 p. (UNCTAD/ITE/IA/2005/1)
Sales No. E.05.II.D.20. ISBN 92-1-112680-0.
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Trade and Environment Review 2006: Environmental Requirements and Market Access for Developing Countries; Developing Pro-active Approaches and Strategies.
United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2006. xx, 275 p. (UNCTAD/DITC/ITED/2005/12)
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Citizen Participation and Pro-poor Budgeting.
United Nations. New York. 2005. ix, 114 p. (ST/ESA/PAD/SER.E/76)
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World Population Policies 2005.
United Nations. New York. 2006. xiii, 477 p. (ST/ESA/SER.A/254)
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XVII International Statistics

2002 Energy Balances and Electricity Profiles / Bilans énergétiques et profils du secteur de l'électricité.

United Nations / Nations Unies. 2005. xxxii, 386 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.W/12)
Sales No. E/F.05.XVII.5. ISBN 92-1-061213-2.

2002 Energy Statistics Yearbook / Annuaire des statistiques de l'énergie.

United Nations / Nations Unies. New York. 2005. xlvii, 551 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.J/46)
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United Nations/Nations Unies. New York. 2005. xii, 271 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.Q/396)
Online version: <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/mbs>

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United Nations. New York. 2005. xii, 241 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.V/28)
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