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## NEW WEBSITES WITHIN THE UN SYSTEM

### UN in General

#### DESA News

<http://www.un.org/esa/desa/desaNews/>

DESA News is an insider's look at the United Nations in the area of economic and social development policy. It is produced by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs' Communications and Information Management Service with feature articles written by DESA staff. This is an electronic publication - no printed edition is generated.

#### In Focus: IAEA and Democratic People's Republic of Korea

<http://www.iaea.org/NewsCenter/Focus/laeaDprk/index.shtml>

#### New UN Archives and Records Management website

(UN records and archives collections and services, tools to support records and archives management and to train staff)

English: <http://archives.un.org/unarms/>

French: <http://archives.un.org/unarms/fr/index.html>

#### “Politically speaking”: Bulletin of the United Nations Department of Political Affairs

<http://www.un.org/Depts/dpa/newsletters/DPA%20Bulletin%20.pdf>

The Department of Political Affairs launched a new flagship publication, “Politically Speaking”, which aims to better inform the U.N. community about the work of the Department in critical areas such as political analysis, peacemaking and preventive diplomacy, electoral assistance and the substantive servicing of the U.N. Security Council and other bodies. There is also important staff news, including new appointments, travel and public events. It will appear twice a year, and is produced with graphic design support from the Department of Public Information.

#### UN News Focus: Democratic Republic of the Congo

English:

<http://www.un.org/apps/news/infocusRel.asp?infocusID=120&Body=democratic&Body1=cong>

French: <http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/infocusRelF.asp?infocusID=82&Body=RDC&Body1=>

#### UN News Focus: The Middle East

English: <http://www.un.org/apps/news/infocusRel.asp?infocusID=70&Body=Palestin&Body1=>

French:

<http://www.un.org/apps/newsFr/infocusRelF.asp?infocusID=22&Body=moyen&Body1=pales>

#### UNRIC Library Backgrounders

English: [http://www.unric.org/UNRIC\\_Library/4.html](http://www.unric.org/UNRIC_Library/4.html)

French:

[http://www.unric.org/UNRIC\\_Library/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=15&Itemid=30&limit=1&limitstart=4&lang=fr](http://www.unric.org/UNRIC_Library/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=15&Itemid=30&limit=1&limitstart=4&lang=fr)

The library issues backgrounders on various subjects that list relevant URLs within in the UN system. Included are links to various UN organizations working on the specific subject, relevant UN documents, treaties, declarations, Secretary-General reports, a selection of speeches and statements by UN officials, articles in UN journals, etc. Backgrounders on the following subjects are currently available in English and French as .pdf files: Genocide, Human Rights Council, Migration, Peacebuilding Commission, Terrorism.

## Peace & Security

### **Gender, Peace and Security Directory**

[http://www.un-instraw.org/en/index.php?option=com\\_wrapper&wrap=orgdir&Itemid=230](http://www.un-instraw.org/en/index.php?option=com_wrapper&wrap=orgdir&Itemid=230)

The UN International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW), has launched the first-ever online directory focused on institutions that are actively engaged in gender, peace and security issues. The directory contains up-to-date information on over 100 research institutions from around the globe, encompassing universities, colleges, independent research organizations, NGOs and UN bodies. Various issues pertaining to gender, peace and security are included in the directory such as human rights, refugees and internally displaced persons, peacekeeping, violence against women, disarmament, and women's political participation.

### **United Nations Peacekeeping Operations** (Background Note: 31 May 2006)

*English:* <http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/dpko/bnote010101.pdf>

*French:* <http://www.un.org/french/peace/peace/bnotepkf.pdf>

### **United Nations Political and Peacebuilding Missions** (Background Note: 31 May 2006)

*English:* <http://www.un.org/peace/ppbm.pdf>

*French:* <http://www.un.org/french/peace/peace/ppbmf.pdf>

## Economic & Social Development

### **2006 World Drug Report** (UNODC report)

[http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/world\\_drug\\_report.html](http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/world_drug_report.html)

Some 200 million people, or 5 percent of the global population age 15-64, have used illicit drugs at least once in the last 12 months. Among this population are people from almost every country on earth.

### **Africa Environment Outlook** (UNEP report)

[http://www.unep.org/DEWA/Africa/AEO2\\_Launch/index.asp](http://www.unep.org/DEWA/Africa/AEO2_Launch/index.asp)

Poverty in Africa can be made history if the region's wealth of natural resources is effectively, fairly and sustainably harnessed according to the second Africa Environment Outlook report (full text) issued by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). The report states that outstanding issues like rapid rates of deforestation, high levels of land degradation, wasteful water use in agriculture and climate change remain and need to be urgently addressed and that other challenges, like genetically modified organisms and the costs of alien invasive species up to a switch of chemical manufacturing from the developed to the developing world, are emerging. Also newly available are fact sheets and other multimedia materials.

### **Building Inclusive Financial Sectors for Development / La création de secteurs financiers accessibles à tous**

*English & French:* <http://bluebook.uncdf.org/>

A joint publication of the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the UN Capital Development Fund (UNCDF) analyses the obstacles to financial inclusion and reports on efforts to overcome those obstacles in a variety of countries. The publication also known as *The Blue Book* "offers a vision of what inclusive finance could be. It does not dictate policy prescriptions to realize that vision." The Blue Book is intended to be a guide and companion to national dialogues among relevant stakeholders that individual countries may wish to convoke to develop their own national strategies.

### **Ecosystems and Biodiversity in Deep Waters and High Seas** (UNEP & IUCN report)

[http://www.unep.org/pdf/IUCN\\_Report\\_16June06.pdf](http://www.unep.org/pdf/IUCN_Report_16June06.pdf)

The report underlines the value of the deep seas and open oceans and highlights how science is only now just getting to grips with the wealth of life, natural resources and ecosystems existing in the marine world. Less than 10 per cent of the oceans have been explored.

### **Millennium Development Goals Report 2006** (DESA report)

<http://mdgs.un.org/unsd/mdg/Resources/Static/Products/Progress2006/MDGReport2006.pdf>

The report is based on a master set of data that has been compiled by an Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Millennium Development Goal (MDG) Indicators led by the UN Secretariat's Department of Economic and Social Affairs. The Group comprises representatives of the international organizations whose activities include the preparation of one or more of the series of statistical indicators that were identified as appropriate for monitoring progress towards the MDGs. A number of national statisticians and outside expert advisers also contributed. The report presents the latest assessment on how far Member States have come, and how far they have to go in reaching the MDGs, in each of the world's regions.

### **World Economic and Social Survey 2006: Diverging Growth and Development**

<http://www.un.org/esa/policy/wess/wess2006files/wess2006.pdf>

Diverging growth and development is the theme of this year's report, which shows that in the industrialized world the income level over the last five decades has grown steadily. This has not occurred in many developing countries, thereby causing a rise in already high world inequality.

### **World Economic Situation and Prospects as of mid-2006**

*English:* [http://www.un.org/esa/policy/wess/wesp2006files/wesp06update\\_eng.pdf](http://www.un.org/esa/policy/wess/wesp2006files/wesp06update_eng.pdf)

*French:* [http://www.un.org/esa/policy/wess/wesp2006files/wesp06update\\_eng.pdf](http://www.un.org/esa/policy/wess/wesp2006files/wesp06update_eng.pdf)

## **Human Rights**

### **Fact sheet: Independent Special Commission of Inquiry for Timor-Leste**

[http://www.ohchr.org/english/countries/tp/docs/timor\\_leste\\_fs.pdf](http://www.ohchr.org/english/countries/tp/docs/timor_leste_fs.pdf)

### **Human Rights and Iraq**

<http://www.uniraq.org/documents/HR%20Report%20May%20Jun%202006%20EN.pdf>

A new report on the human rights situation in Iraq paints a grave picture of abuses in the war-ravaged country while pointing to the possibility for positive change with the establishment of a Government there. In its bimonthly human rights report for May – June 2006, the UN Assistance Mission for Iraq (UNAMI) expressed the hope that there are “unique opportunities with a new Government of national unity announced on 22 May and its firm commitment to address forcefully urgent human rights concerns so as to establish the rule of law in the country.” At the same time, the report notes a grave situation of human rights in Iraq that the new Government must address.

### **OHCHR Rule of Law Tools for Post-Conflict States**

<http://www.ohchr.org/english/about/publications/>

The United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights is publishing a set of guidelines designed to help UN field missions and transitional administrations effectively advise countries emerging from conflict on the development of transitional justice mechanisms.

## **NEW INFORMATION MATERIAL**

**Single copies of the following titles can be ordered via e-mail:** [info@unric.org](mailto:info@unric.org)

2006 Report on the global AIDS epidemic: Executive summary: A UNAIDS 10th anniversary special edition.

UNAIDS. May 2006. 24 p.

ISBN 92-9-173511-6.

Online version: [http://www.unaids.org/en/HIV\\_data/2006GlobalReport/default.asp](http://www.unaids.org/en/HIV_data/2006GlobalReport/default.asp)

Informe sobre la epidemia mundial de SIDA 2006: Resumen de orientación ; Edición especial con motivo del décimo aniversario del ONUSIDA.

ONUSIDA. Mayo de 2006. 23 p.

ISBN 92-9-173513-2.

Online version: [http://www.unaids.org/en/HIV\\_data/2006GlobalReport/2006-GR\\_es.asp](http://www.unaids.org/en/HIV_data/2006GlobalReport/2006-GR_es.asp)

International Migration 2006.

United Nations. New York. 2006. Wall chart. (ST/ESA/SER.A/256)

Sales No. E.06.XIII.6. ISBN92-1-151421-5.

Online version: [http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/migration/2006\\_Migration\\_Wallchart.pdf](http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/migration/2006_Migration_Wallchart.pdf)

Organisation des Nations Unies - Département des opérations de maintien de la paix – Note d'information.

DPI/2429. Mai 2006. 7 p.

Online version: [http://www.un.org/french/peace/peace/factsheet\\_f.pdf](http://www.un.org/french/peace/peace/factsheet_f.pdf)

Rapport sur l'épidémie mondiale de SIDA 2006: Résumé d'orientation; Edition spéciale 10ème anniversaire de l'ONUSIDA.

ONUSIDA. Mai 2006. 24 p.

ISBN 92-9-173512-4.

Online version: [http://www.unaids.org/en/HIV\\_data/2006GlobalReport/2006-GR\\_fr.asp](http://www.unaids.org/en/HIV_data/2006GlobalReport/2006-GR_fr.asp)

United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations: Fact Sheet.

DPI/2429. May 2006. 4 p.

Online version: <http://www.un.org/Depts/dpko/factsheet.pdf>

## **NEW TITLES added to the library collection in July**

### **I General Information and Reference**

The adventure of peace: Dag Hammarskjöld and the future of the UN.

New York. Palgrave Macmillan. 2005. 416 p.

ISBN 1-4039-7431-4.

Act of creation: The founding of the United Nations; A story of superpowers, secret agents, wartime allies and enemies, and their quest for a peaceful world / Stephen C. Schlesinger.

Cambridge, MA. Westview Press. 2003. xviii, 374 p.

ISBN0-8133-3275-3

An insider's guide to the UN / Linda Fasulo.

New Haven and London. Yale University Press. 2004. xviii, 245 p.

ISBN 0-300-10762-5.

The U.N. Building / Foreword by Kofi A. Annan, Essay by Aaron Betsky, Photographs by Ben Murphy.

New York. Thames & Hudson. 2005. 159 p.

ISBN 0-500-28590-X.

United Nations Handbook 2005/06: An annual guide for those working with and within the United Nations; Forty-third edition.

Wellington, New Zealand. Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. 2005. 356 p.

ISBN 0-477-03789-5.

## **II.A Business, Economics, Science and Technology**

Building Inclusive Financial Sectors for Development.  
United Nations. New York. 2006. ix, 182 p.  
Sales No. E.06.II.A.3. ISBN 92-1-204251-1.

## **II.E Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)**

Environmental Performance Review: Republic of Moldova; Second Review.  
United Nations. New York and Geneva. 2005. xxi, 164 p. (ECE/CEP/130)  
Sales No. E.06.II.E.4. ISBN 92-1-116939-9.  
Online version: [http://www.unece.org/env/epr/studies/moldova\\_2/welcome.htm](http://www.unece.org/env/epr/studies/moldova_2/welcome.htm)

## **III.B United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**

Un partenariat mondial pour le développement: Programme des Nations Unies pour le développement; Rapport annuel 2006.  
New York. Programme des Nations Unies pour le développement. 2006. 36 p.  
Online version: <http://www.undp.org/french/publications/annualreport2006/IAR06-FR.pdf>

## **III.D United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)**

Our Planet: Deserts and Drylands. Volume 17, No. 1.  
United Nations Environment Programme. 31 p.  
Online version: <http://www.ourplanet.com/imgversn/171/content.html>

Notre Planète: Déserts et Terres Arides. Volume 17, No. 1.  
Programme des Nations Unies pour l'environnement. 31 p.  
Online version: <http://www.ourplanet.com/imgversn/171/french/content.html>

Nuestro Planeta: Desiertos y Tierras Secas. Tomo 17, No. 1.  
Programa de las Naciones Unidas para el Medio Ambiente. 31 p.  
Online version: <http://www.ourplanet.com/imgversn/171/spanish/content.html>

## **III.T International Trade Centre (UNCTAD/WTO)**

Acuerdos Modelo CCI de Joint Venture Corporativo  
Centro de Comercio Internacional. Ginebra. 2006. vi, 134 p. (ITC/P190.S/TSS/BAS/05-IV)  
Sales No. S.05.III.T.7. ISBN 92-9137-322-2.

The Business Management System: A framework for international competitiveness.  
International Trade Centre. Geneva. 2005. viii, 142 p. (ITC/P196.E/TSS/EMDS/05-XI)  
Sales No. E.06.III.T.1. ISBN 92-9137-317-6.

Connectez-vous: Applications électroniques dans le secteur des textiles et des vêtements.  
Centre du commerce international. Genève. 2005. xiv, 186 p. (ITC/P188.F/PMD/MDS/05-IV)  
Sales No. F.05.III.T.4. ISBN 92-9137-318-4.

Formation et conseil: Conception, élaboration et prestation de services de formation et de conseil.  
Centre du commerce international. Genève. 2005. xii, 174 p. (ITC/P182.F/TSS/EMDS/05-I)  
Sales No. F.05.III.T.5. ISBN 92-9137-316-8.

Marchés internationaux des meubles en bois: Tour d'horizon.  
Centre du commerce international. Genève. 2005. xxiv, 254 p. (ITC/P175.F/PMD/MDS/05-IV)  
Sales No. F.05.III.T.2. ISBN 92-0137-312-5.

Source-it: L'approvisionnement mondial en matière pour l'industrie du vêtement.  
Centre du commerce international. Genève. 2005. xiv, 217 p. (ITC/P187.F/PMD/MDS/05-III)  
Sales No. F.05.III.T.3. ISBN 92-9137-308-7.

## **V International Law**

Law of the Sea: Bulletin No. 58.  
United Nations. New York. 2005. iv, 36 p.  
ISBN 92-1-133739-9.

## **XI Narcotic Drugs (including United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime - UNODC)**

2006 World Drug Report. Volume 1: Analysis.  
Vienna. UN Office on Drugs and Crime. 2006.  
Sales No. E.06.XI.10. ISBN 92-1-148214-3.  
Online version: [http://www.unodc.org/unodc/world\\_drug\\_report.html](http://www.unodc.org/unodc/world_drug_report.html)

2006 World Drug Report. Volume 2: Statistics.  
Vienna. UN Office on Drugs and Crime. 2006.  
Sales No. E.06.XI.10. ISBN 92-1-148215-1.  
Online version: [http://www.unodc.org/unodc/world\\_drug\\_report.html](http://www.unodc.org/unodc/world_drug_report.html)

## **XIII Demography**

International Migration 2006.  
United Nations. New York. 2006. Wall chart. (ST/ESA/SER.A/256)  
Sales No. E.06.XIII.6. ISBN 92-1-151421-5.  
Online version: [http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/migration/2006\\_Migration\\_Wallchart.pdf](http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/migration/2006_Migration_Wallchart.pdf)

## **XVII International Statistics**

Manuel de collecte de données sur la fécondité et la moralité. (Etudes méthodologiques, Série F, N° 82)  
Nations Unies. New York. 2006. viii, 114 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.F/92)  
Sales No. F.03.XVII.11. ISBN 92-1-261199-0.

Population Ageing 2006.  
United Nations. New York. 2006. Wall chart. (ST/ESA/SER.A/251)  
Sales No. E.06.XIII.2. ISBN 92-1-151416-9.  
Online version: <http://www.un.org/esa/population/publications/ageing/ageing2006.htm>

Pratiques nationales en matière d'établissement et de diffusion des indices du commerce international : Etude technique. (Etudes statistiques, Série F, N° 86)  
Nations Unies. New York. 2006. v, 92 p. (ST/ESA/STAT/SER.F/86)  
Sales No. F.04.XVII.10. ISBN 92-1-261203-2.

## **Non-Governmental Liaison Service (NGLS)**

NGLS Go Between no. 109, January-March 2006. 32 p.

## World Health Organization (WHO)

Injuries and Violence in Europe: Why they matter and what can be done.  
Copenhagen, Denmark. WHO Office for Europe. 2006. xi, 68 p.  
ISBN 92-890-1379-6.

Online version: <http://www.euro.who.int/document/E88037.pdf>

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[http://www.unric.org/UNRIC\\_Library/3.html](http://www.unric.org/UNRIC_Library/3.html).



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