Agency Liaison reports are presented at the IDTF Meeting during each Annual and Midwinter Meeting of the American Library Association. They are also available on the IDTF web page, which is found on the GODORT page on the American Library Association site. The Coordinator for the Agency Liaison Program is Susan Bennett White, who welcomes comments and suggestions. She can be contacted at sbwhite@princeton.edu.

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**Bernan Publishing**

**www.bernan.com**

Bruce Samuelson from Bernan will be at the ALA Midwinter Meeting in Dallas. He will also attend the International Documents Task Force meeting, and will also be available at Exhibit Booth #913 for special discount offers. To receive Bernan’s free monthly email newsletter, which focuses primarily on new and forthcoming international agency publications, sign up online at www.bernan.com, call them toll-free at 1-800-274-4447, or stop by the booth.

**Publishers New to Bernan.**

Bernan is now distributing titles from a number of additional publishers, including the following dealing with international subjects:

- **CABI** (Centre for Agricultural Bioscience International)
- **Commonwealth Secretariat**
- **CSIRO** (Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization)
- **IDRC** (International Development Research Centre)
- **KIT** (Royal Tropical Institute of the Netherlands)
- **Kumarian Press** (Publisher of academic and scholarly books on international development, international studies, political science, and developing countries)

**Titles of Special Interest.**

- **European Social Charter** (Council of Europe) – The 50th anniversary of the European Social Charter is celebrated with this comprehensive summary of one of the Council of Europe’s fundamental treaties, which defends human rights in Europe and elsewhere.
- **FAO Statistical Yearbook** – The first new edition of this key publication from the Food and Agriculture Organization in over five years.
- **Mental Health Atlas 2011** – Presents updated information from 184 World Health Organization Member States on resources available to treat and prevent neuropsychiatric disorders globally, by WHO region, and by income group.
- **Society at a Glance: Asia/Pacific 2011** – Part of the second edition of the biennial OECD overview of social indicators, this volume covers the Asia and Pacific regions.
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Canadian Official Publications

Canadian Statistics

- The first release of the Census of Population is on February 8, 2012 and includes population and dwelling counts, GeoSearch2011, GeoSuite, and an illustrated glossary. Each section on the web site gives the release date, describes how the census data has changed since 2006, notes access including internet and cost if for sale, and other information.
- The Census of Agriculture has a release date of May 10, 2012 but much basic information such as definitions, copies of questionnaires for various censuses, release dates, products, and differences from previous censuses is available here.
- Statistics Canada Archive is a robust and rich site divided into the categories of archived and legacy content. The first are documents remaining on the website but labeled “archive” while the second are documents removed from the website and retained in a repository. For the later, descriptions remain on the website and the document will be sent to users free of charge when requested. See: http://www.statcan.gc.ca/help-aide/archives-eng.htm

Open Access. The Open Data Pilot Project is part of the Canadian government's commitment to open government by making large amounts of information freely available. With more than 5300 data sets, it offers data of a non-confidential nature in the areas of health, the environment, agriculture, and natural resources pulled together from many Canadian government departments. See: http://www.data.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=En&n=F9B7A1E3-1

Depository Service Program (DSP). http://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/depositoryLibraries/services.html
This website replaces the older one which was decommissioned on December 8, 2011. Information for depository libraries, including the role of depository libraries, retention guidelines, contacts, etc. is much more easily located. Searching collections is also easier as several have been created for specific searching. For example, the E-Collection begun in 1995 and including more than 85,000 titles can be searched at: http://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/search/eCollection.html

Through its listserv, the DSP is very responsive to inquiries requesting publications to be added for distribution, to add the electronic links, or other enquiries.

Reports of the Depository Services Program Library Advisory Committee (DSP-LAC) meetings, including the latest of August, 2011, are available at: http://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/depositoryLibraries/dsp-lac/overview.html These wide-ranging meetings cover many issues and actions of interest to depository libraries and anyone who uses Canadian government information. The 2011 annual meeting included announcements of newly available digital collections, concern other the elimination of paper map distribution by Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), the translation of RDA into French and cataloging implications for government documents, and ongoing projects such as the feasibility of creating a list of core federal government publications and tools to be used by small public libraries in their selection of government publications.
publications.

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Council of Europe
www.ce.org

Council of Europe Headquarters is in Strasbourg, France. Current Membership 47 member countries, and one applicant country: Belarus whose special guest status is suspended due to its lack of respect for human rights and democratic principles

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Change in Contact. International Documents Librarians should note that our contact has changed. Mr. Johnson has retired and now our contact is Cathy Polin as noted above. We are grateful for Mr. Johnson’s knowledge and skill in helping us understand and acquire Council of Europe Publications, and we look forward to working with Ms. Polin.

Part 1. ON-LINE ACCESS:
  And from the U.S. Sales Agent: www.manhattanpublishing.com
- European Court of Human Rights: http://www.echr.coe.int/echr/
- European AudioVisual Observatory: http://www.obs.coe.int. Set up in December 1992, the European Audiovisual Observatory is the only centre of its kind to gather and circulate information on the audiovisual industry in Europe. The Observatory is a European public service body with 36 member States and the European Community, represented by the European Commission.”

Part 2. SIGNIFICANT PUBLICATIONS of 2011 (July-December )
(For detailed info on a title, go to www.manhattanpublishing.com or the printed catalogue

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• Teacher education for change - The theory behind the Council of Europe Pestalozzi Programme (Pestalozzi series n°1) ISBN 978-92-871-7020-0 $78

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• European Court of Human Rights: Reports of Judgments and Decisions VOL 2 ISBN 9783452276537 $72
• European Social Charter (Revised) European Committee of Social Rights.

LAW

LOCAL AND REGIONAL AUTHORITIES IN EUROPE

SOCIETY
• Involving Citizens and Communities in Securing Societal Progress for the Well-Being of all: Methodological Guide. (Book and CD) ISBN 978-92-871-6888-7 $78

YOUTH

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The Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) was established by the United Nations (UN) Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) in 1958 as one of the UN's five regional commissions. ECA's mandate is to promote the economic and social development of its member States, foster intra-regional integration, and promote international cooperation for Africa's development. ECA currently focuses on promoting regional integration in support of the African Union’s vision and priorities and on meeting Africa's special needs and emerging global challenges.

ECA has seven programs: the African Centre for Statistics; the Food Security & Sustainable Development Division; the African Center for Gender & Social Development; the Governance & Public Administration Division; the ICT and Science & Technology Division; the Regional Integration, Infrastructure and Trade Division; and the Economic Development and NEPAD Division. There are also five Sub-Regional Offices (SROs), each taking the lead in their respective sub-regions.

Publications and Information

Many publications are available for free download. Featured publications are linked directly from the home page and also included under the “resources” menu. The ECA site is built with frames, but the publications page frame can also be accessed separately: http://www.uneca.org/eca_resources/Publications/. Publications are available grouped by theme, date, or users can click on “All ECA publications” and get links to all of the online publications, in chronological order back to 1998 (plus the 1958 ECOSOC resolution establishing the ECA). Documents are available in a variety of formats including pdf, HTML, Word, and even an .exe that I was not able to open using my work computer. Many recent publications are also linked on the main ECA page but not yet on the publications page.

Each of the programs SROs also has a “publications” or “resources” tab with links to its own publications not included in the list on the main ECA site.

Key recent publications include:


Contacting ECA

ECA has a form with several subscription options (News and Information, e-publications, Hard Copy Publications) covering various ECA interest areas: http://www.uneca.org/list/sub.cfm. This appears to be the way to order print versions of publications directly from ECA. Publications can also be ordered via UN Publications in New York.

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The United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE), one of five regional commissions of the United Nations, was set up in 1947 by the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC). Its major aim is to promote pan-European economic integration, bringing together 56 member countries located in the European Union, non-EU Western and Eastern Europe, South-East Europe and Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) and North America. Any interested UN member States may participate in its work, and over 70 international professional organizations and other non-governmental organizations take part in UNECE activities.

The UNECE provides analysis, policy advice and assistance to governments, and it focuses on the United Nations global mandates in the field of economics, in cooperation with other global players and key stakeholders, notably the business community. The UNECE’s expertise covers sectors such as: economic cooperation and integration, energy, environment, housing and land management, population, statistics, timber, trade, and transport.

The website includes a great deal of useful information, including sections on UNECE programs, statistics, quick links to key issues and resources (i.e., climate change, population, UNECE legal instruments, etc.), events, news, publications, Millennium Development Goals, other UN Regional Commissions, and other useful UN sites.

Publications and Information
Publications are linked in various places throughout the UNECE site, but the main publications page (http://www.unece.org/publications/oes/welcome.html) is linked off of the “Information Resources” tab at the top. This page displays a list of recent publications as well as publications topics (i.e., environment, gender issues, transport, etc.). Some publications are available online in full text form, primarily as pdfs. For others, only the UN symbol, sales publication number, ISBN, and price are listed. The “How to Order?” link leads to contact information for sales and non-sales publications.

Statistics
Especially useful is the site for the Statistics Programme (http://www.unece.org/stats/stats_h.html), which includes publications, papers, and papers from meetings. Statistics resources are grouped by topic (i.e., economic statistics, environment and sustainable development, gender statistics, etc.) and also available as “statistics online” in the UNECE Statistical Database (http://w3.unece.org/pxweb/).

Contacting the UNECE
Non-sales publications and documents are available from the UNECE Information Service (info.ece@unece.org). General inquiries can also be directed to the UNECE Information Service.

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European Union – EU  http://www.eu.int

The European Union’s web presence is at times overwhelming, but contains a plethora of reports, statistics, official documents (e.g., legislation, court cases from the European Court of Justice, etc.), and tools/manuals is EUROPA (http://europa.eu). There are several means by which to access the information, e.g., one can search by relevant institution (European Parliament, Committee of the Regions, European Central Bank, etc.). Other tools and access points are as follows:

- Official publications and documents are here: http://europa.eu/documentation/index_en.htm
  The main publications office is located here: http://publications.europa.eu/index.htm
  Most documents are available as PDF downloads for free; check out the “just published” link for the most recent publications. You can also search by broad subject category.
- Most institutions of the European Union have their own subsites dedicated to accentuating their work and publications, e.g.:
- ECLAS serves as the main database for the European Commission library in Brussels; includes mostly secondary materials on European Union policies, activities, relations, etc.: http://ec.europa.eu/eclas/
  Many documents are in electronic format, others need to be searched within one’s respective catalogue.
- There is a large archive of news bulletins, quick/rapid reports and the like on the “What’s New on Europa”: http://europa.eu/geninfo/whatsnew_en.htm
- EU news has the most updated information on European activities (searchable): http://europa.eu/news/index_en.htm
- The European Union offers numerous mailing lists and RSS feeds to keep interested parties current. The RSS feeds are divided into a substantial number of specific areas so that subscribers receive more targeted information: http://europa.eu/press_room/mailing-rss/index_en.htm

Recent Reports and Publications of Note:
- Euro Crisis: There are numerous press releases, reports, etc. dedicated to resolution of the Euro crisis:
  The Economic and Financial Affairs group under the European Commission is the best place for news, recommendations, statistics and the like: http://ec.europa.eu/economy_finance/focuson/crisis/index_en.htm
- Europe 2020 Europe 2020 is the EU’s growth strategy for the coming decade.
  In a changing world, we want the EU to become a smart, sustainable and inclusive economy. These three mutually reinforcing priorities should help the EU and the Member States deliver high levels of employment, productivity and social cohesion: http://ec.europa.eu/europe2020/index_en.htm
• Report on Fundamental Rights in the EU 2010—this report’s impetus comes in part from the recent Roma controversy in several European states:
• Toward a New Euro-Atlantic Security Framework (from the European Institute of Strategic Studies):

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Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations – FAO  www.fao.org

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations – FAO, leads international efforts to defeat hunger. FAO serves both developed and developing countries as a neutral forum where all nations can meet to negotiate agreements and debate policy. FAO is also a source of knowledge and information. FAO’s web pages are an excellent free resource for anyone to use who is looking for any kind of international agricultural statistics or other information.

Three easy ways to begin using FAO resources today:
• Countries: http://www.fao.org/countryprofiles/default.asp?lang=en Nearly 180 country profiles are available. Additionally, quick-fact country briefs are also available.

FAO Almanac of Publications and Events for 2011

NOVEMBER, 2011
Satellite technology yields new forest loss estimates
A new, satellite-based survey by FAO provided new, and more accurate, information on changes in the world's forest cover, showing that forest land use declined between 1990 and 2005.

Scarcity and degradation of land and water represent growing threat to food security, reports major new FAO study. In November, FAO released the first edition of a new flagship publication, "The State of Land and Water Resources for Food and Agriculture." According to the report, widespread degradation and deepening scarcity of land and water resources have placed key food production systems around the globe at risk, posing a profound challenge to the task of feeding a world population expected to reach 9 billion people by 2050.

OCTOBER 2011
World Food Day focuses on swinging food prices  World leaders and international celebrities gathered in Rome to mark World Food Day 2011 with a call for greater investment in agriculture, more support for women farmers, and improved transparency in international agricultural commodity markets.

World hunger report 2011 warns that high, volatile prices set to continue  Food price volatility featuring high prices is likely to continue and possibly increase, making poor farmers, consumers and countries more vulnerable to poverty and food insecurity, according to the 2011 edition of "The State of Food Security in the World" report. The heads of the three Rome-based UN food agencies called for concerted international action to address the problem.
**SEPTEMBER 2011**
Global Soil Partnership for Food Security launched at FAO  FAO spearheads a new effort to safeguard soil resources critical to farmers and food producers.

**AUGUST 2011**
Horn of Africa: Funding for agricultural recovery lagging, FAO warns  As world governments met in Ethiopia for an international pledging conference aimed at winning more aid for the Horn of Africa, FAO issued a warning that efforts to keep farmers and pastoralists on their feet, prevent the crisis from worsening, and speed progress toward recovery had not yet received adequate support.

**JULY 2011**
Meeting on Horn of Africa calls for tackling root causes of famine  In July and August, FAO convened emergency meetings of governments, UN agencies and international organizations to rally support for life saving operations in the Horn of Africa and also stress the need to support farmers and herders in the region to prevent the situation from getting worse.

New fund for livestock biodiversity management launched  A new support fund designed to help developing countries conserve and sustainably use their livestock breeds under the auspices of the internationally-agreed Global Plan of Action for Animal Genetic Resources was launched by FAO in July.

**JUNE 2011**
Rinderpest eradicated  In a historic victory of veterinary science, FAO and OIE announced that thanks to a decades-long international cooperative effort, the cattle disease known as rinderpest had successfully been eradicated in the wild. The disease had been the bane of farmers for thousands of years, wiping out the farm animals on which their livelihoods depended.

FAO's next Director-General selected  FAO Member countries elected José Graziano da Silva of Brazil as the next FAO Director-General, starting in January 2012. Current FAO Director-General Jacques Diouf set to step down after 17 years of service.

Drought in Horn of Africa threatens millions  As the situation in East Africa continued to deteriorate, FAO again warned that the number of people facing severe food shortages was set to increase as the impact of drought, along with high food and fuel prices, continued to grip the region.

Putting nature back into agriculture - FAO launches its new "Save and Grow" initiative  In June, FAO announced a new initiative intended to produce more food for a growing world population in an environmentally sustainable way. The new approach calls for targeting mainly smallholder farmers in developing countries. Helping low-income farm families in developing countries - some 2.5 billion people - economize on cost of production and build healthy agro-ecosystems will enable them to maximize yields and invest the savings in their health and education.

**MAY 2011**
Stemming post-harvest waste crucial to African food security  Grain losses in sub-Saharan Africa could total $4 billion, FAO and the World Bank report.

Cutting food waste to feed the world  Roughly one third of the food produced in the world for human consumption every year - approximately 1.3 billion tonnes - gets lost or wasted, an FAO-commissioned study reveals.

**MARCH 2011**
Closing the gender gap in agriculture  In the 2011 edition of its annual "State of Food and Agriculture report," FAO focused on the "gender gap" in agriculture. The report's key finding: if women in rural areas had the same access to land, technology, financial services, education and markets as men, agricultural production could be increased and the number of hungry people reduced by 100-150 million.
World food prices hit historic peak January saw food prices spiking to a historic high, as FAO continued to track trends through its monthly Food Price Index updates.

**JANUARY 2011**

Fish consumption reaches all-time high  A new edition of FAO's "The State of World Fisheries and Aquaculture" report found that while fisheries production reached a new-time high — thanks mainly to the growth of fish farming — the status of important fish stocks in the wild remained a cause for concern.

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**Human Development Reports**


The Human Development Reports have been published by the U.N.D.P since 1990 on a global basis. They provide solid statistics and analysis on a wide range of factors affecting individual countries and the world community. Economic and social counts are provided ranging from infant mortality to military spending, from GDP to literacy, from trade balances to gender equity. Narratives are based on local and national sources, and the reports overall provide a wealth of information useful in a broad range of contexts.

The 2011 Global Human Development Report, Sustainability and Equity: A Better Future for All, “argues that the urgent global challenges of sustainability and equity must be addressed together – and identifies policies on the national and global levels that could spur mutually reinforcing progress.” - U.N..

Reports are usually available for free download on the UNDP site, and can often also be purchased for a nominal cost from Oxford University Press or other publisher. The database of indicators from the entire HDR series is also available without change on the HDR web site.

**National and Regional Human Development Reports.**

More than 600 national reports have been written, on a frequent basis, since 1990, coming from 140 countries. In addition there are reports that cover entire regions. Recent national and regional reports include:

- Arab States, 2009
- Latin America and the Caribbean, 2010
- Europe and the CIS, 2011
- Human Development Report, Nicaragua, 2011
- Human Development Report, Viet Nam., 2011

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The Inter-American Development Bank, - IADB, continues to publish books, reports and statistics. Much of IADB’s content is freely available online.


- The 2010 Development Effectiveness Overview summarizes the bank’s efforts to assess the impact of its work.
  http://issuu.com/idb_publications/docs/development_effectiveness_overview_2010
- Development Connections: Unveiling the Impact of New Information Technologies evaluates how technology can contribute to the success of development projects.
  http://www.iadb.org/document.cfm?id=36168248
- Science, Technology, and Innovation in Latin America and the Caribbean: a Statistical Compendium of Indicators brings together indicators on Latin America and the Caribbean and also provides benchmark comparisons with leading and emerging economies.
  http://www.iadb.org/document.cfm?id=35384423

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International Labour Organization – ILO
http://www.ilo.org/global

The International Labour Organization provides both publications and data resources for understanding the world of work on a global basis. Many resources are available on the ILO site without charge, including the following statistical sources and labour databases found on the ILO web:

Renouf Provides All ILO Titles. The International Documents Community 8is well served in that Renouf provides a full range of ILO publications, including backfiles, and is the source for ILO in the U.S. and more broadly.

Helpdesk.
The ILO web site now hosts a interactive helpdesk for Business on International Labor Standards. It is described as a “new one-stop shop for company managers and workers on how to better align business operations with international labour standards and build good industrial relations.” http://www.ilo.org/empent/areas/business-helpdesk/lang--en/index.htm

Publications Briefly Noted.

Current Titles of Special Note.

  Traditionally and in the modern time, agriculture is one of the most dangerous occupations, both as to accidents and in exposure to illness. This Manual offers a hundred examples of ergonomic improvements in agricultural work and in other rural work and living settings, all of which are free or at very little cost.
These range from better designed tools to improved physical environments, teamwork, and cooperation within the community.

- **Making Microfinance Work: Managing Product Diversification.** By Cheryl Frankiewicz and Craig Churchill. Geneva: International Labour Office. 2012. 612 pp. ISBN 9789221241409 US $70. Issued December 5, 2011 Microfinance is the Rosetta Stone of modern finance and development, offering a workable translation of service between poor and disadvantaged populations, and the financial institutions which can provide resources with which they can make significant financial and societal improvements. This is the second volume of a pair of textbooks to teach product diversification for Microfinance, and looks at diverse products including savings, insurance, leasing, money transfers and even grants and non-financial services. Further, It deals with ways to use such products for a particular microfinance segment: the very poor, youth, women, and those in rural areas and post-crisis environments

- **Social Protection Floor for a Fair and Inclusive Globalization.** Geneva: International Labour Office, 2011. 117 pp. ISBN 9789221253372 US $45 Also free pdf download on ILO site. Issued October 27, 2011. The Social Protection Floor provides “basic income security sufficient to live, guaranteed through transfers in cash or in kind, such as pensions for the elderly and persons with disabilities, child benefits, income support benefits and/or employment guarantees and services for the unemployed and working poor.” This report looks at the effect of a Social Protection Floor, providing evidence that it stabilizes the economy, increases production, and stabilizes aggregate demand in economic crisis, as well as increases resilience against economic shocks, and furthers recovery from their effects.

- **Stress Prevention at Work Checkpoints. Practical improvements for stress prevention in the workplace.** Geneva: International Labour Office, 2012. 120 pp. ISBN 9789221256373 US $35. Also free pdf download on ILO site. Issued January 6, 2012. “Work-related stress is one of the most important issues in many countries. The negative impacts of stress are multiform and can include circulatory and gastrointestinal diseases as well as physical, psychosomatic and psycho-social problems. These in turn can lead to poor work performance, high accident and injury rates, and low productivity.” – ILO

- **Work Inequalities in the Crisis: Evidence from Europe.** Edited by Daniel Vaughan--Whitehead. Geneva: International Labour Office, 2011. 600 pp. ISBN 9789221248859 US $90 Issued December 1, 2011. A solid body of research based on case studies from across Europe, including Turkey and the transient economies finds little difference between countries in inequalities in the world of work. Factors examined include employment, wage and income, working conditions, and social dialog. It also examines whether the economic crisis may stop the progress made in creation of better quality jobs and working conditions. Includes both field studies and policy analysis.

- **World of Work Report 2011: Making Markets Work for Jobs.** Geneva: International Institute for Labour Studies, 2011. 140 pp. ISBN 9789290149743 US $50. Issued October 31, 2011. An Annual Flagship Report of the ILO. This annual flagship publication from the research arm of the ILO postulates that a global economic recovery is possible only if social inequalities are dealt with through sound new policies. The risk of social unrest is lifted up on a global basis, and the creation of food security as a first step is suggested as a necessary first step in recovery. Well documented and thorough, this report offers a bracing blueprint for a better future for labor, employers and governments

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International Maritime Organization – IMO, is the United Nations specialized agency with responsibility for the safety and security of shipping and the prevention of marine pollution by ships. IMO has over 200 publications available in English, including a growing number of digital publications. A catalog is accessible from the Publications page: http://www.imo.org/Publications/Pages/Home.aspx.

Significant IMO titles published since June 2011 include:

- The IMO-Vega Database (Version 15), 2010. Described as “an essential tool for anyone involved in shipping.” Given the year of build, ship type, ship size, cargo and trade area, this database identifies the applicable requirements. Price £59.
- Manual on Oil Pollution (Section I), 2011 Edition. This section of the manual is intended to provide practical guidance for preventing pollution from ships. Price £16.

Several courses on CD include:

- CD: Prepare and Respond to HNS [Hazardous and Noxious Substances], Bilingual Edition. A general introduction to the considerations related to preparing for and responding to pollution incidents involving the release of hazardous and noxious substances (HNS) into the marine environment. Price £100.
- Model course: Marine Environmental Awareness, 2011 Edition. Intended to give trainees knowledge of the importance and diversity of the marine environment as well as understanding and awareness of the impacts of shipping activities on the (marine) environment. Price £20.

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International Telecommunications Union - ITU  
http://www.itu.int/

“ITU is the leading United Nations agency for information and communication technology issues, and the global focal point for governments and the private sector in developing networks and services. For nearly 145 years, ITU has coordinated the shared global use of the radio spectrum, promoted international cooperation in assigning satellite orbits, worked to improve telecommunication infrastructure in the developing world, established the worldwide standards that foster seamless interconnection of a vast range of communications systems and addressed the global challenges of our times, such as mitigating climate change and strengthening cybersecurity.”

If you did not already know, the ITU has actually received an Emmy Award for the “Standardization of Loudness Metering for Use in Broadcast Audio.”

General statistics from the ITU  (ITU ICT-EYE service) can be located here:  

The ITU maintains a History Portal that highlights the history of the ITU: includes a good number of digitized documents and audiovisual material: http://www.itu.int/en/history/Pages/default.aspx
The ITU does have a library and archives service; the catalog is available online. However, there is only a limited reference service to external researchers: [http://www.itu.int/library](http://www.itu.int/library)

**Recent publications include:**

- *M-Government: Mobile Technologies for Responsive Government and Connected Societies*
- *Measuring the Information Society - The ICT Development Index*
- *World Telecommunication/ICT Indicators Database Online (available also on CD-Rom)*
- *Yearbook of Statistics (Telecommunication and ICT Indicators)*

These publications are not available for online download, but must be purchased from the ITU.

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**LexisNexis - formerly CIS**

Visit LexisNexis Academic and Library Solutions at exhibitor’s booth 2329 in Dallas during ALA 2012 Midwinter Meeting.

**International Resources in LexisNexis Academic**

**Research Countries.** The Research Countries widget allows you to find political and economic information about a specific country. Information on hundreds of countries is available. Select a country from the Country drop-down box and then select a specific source from the Source drop-down box, including:

- Business Monitor International (for International Company information)
- Country Briefings (economic briefings on politics, stock markets, etc. for 32 countries)
- PRS Risk Guides & Service (international business risk analysis)
- Walden Country Reports (basic country information, updated yearly)
- Recent News Stories (news about the country selected)

**Major World Publications.** The Major World Publications group includes many of the world's major newspapers, magazines and trade publications, and is searchable from a dropdown menu in the “News” section of Lexis Nexis Academic. It is interesting to take a current news topic and compare how U.S. news sources are reporting that topic, with the coverage of news sources from around the world.

**Foreign Language News.** LexisNexis Academic contains hundreds of Foreign Language News sources, under the Foreign Language News Search form, where languages available are: Dutch, French, German, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish. Link is provided to a Youtube video explaining how to use Foreign Language News at [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m1C6N8Go_2Q](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m1C6N8Go_2Q)

**International Legal.** Another source of international information is the “International Legal” section, which includes:
MyiLibary Electronic Publications Service
http://www.myilibrary.com/

MyiLibrary continues to be the sole provider for electronic content of several international agencies. It distributes and hosts numerous electronic books, journals and other content from a wide range of publishers including World Bank, ILO, UN, UN AIDS, WHO, IOM, OECD, IMO and IAEA. For some IGOs they provide the only electronic access. MyiLibrary has created a reasonable pricing structure for its international documents. A significant value-added enhancement is that Coutts, the parent group for MyiLibrary, provides good quality full Marc catalog records for all individual titles at no additional cost with a MyiLibrary subscription. To learn more about MyiLibrary, visit the Ingram Contts Booth at ALA in Dallas at Booth # 0829.

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Organization of American States – OAS
http://www.oas.org

There are interesting developments to report from the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR), a principal autonomous body of the OAS which acts as a consultative body to the OAS in human rights matters. In November 2011, the IACHR created a unit devoted to protecting the rights of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, and
Intersex (LGBTI) persons. A report on the condition of the status of the LGBTI community within the hemisphere is forthcoming.

The IACHR has other interesting publications, including *The Road to Substantive Democracy: Women’s Political Participation in the Americas*, which examines the participation of women in government and public life from a human rights perspective.

http://www.cidh.oas.org/pdf%20files/POLITICAL%20PARTICIPATION.pdf

And *Access to Information on Reproductive Health from a Human Rights Perspective* which identifies and analyzes the regional and international human rights standards regarding access to information on reproductive health http://www.cidh.oas.org/pdf%20files/womenaccessinformationreproductivehealth.pdf

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**Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)**

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The OECD consists of 34 member countries. Its original membership consisted of 20 countries (18 European nations plus the United States and Canada). The last expansion was in 2010 when Chile, Slovenia, Israel, and Estonia formalized membership. Russia is still in open discussion for membership. OECD offers “enhanced engagement” to Brazil, China, India, Indonesia and South Africa. While this is not the same as membership, it is useful to researchers in that many of the same statistics collected for member countries are collected for these nations.

Since the last report, no major enhancements have been made to OECDiLibrary. However, content continues to be added on a regular basis. The database continues to be a very rich source of literature and statistics on OECD member countries as well as countries with “enhanced engagement” status. While the OECD still produces print publications, many libraries have switched to the electronic only format. OECD also includes limited reports and statistics on other parts of the world. In the last report, it was mentioned that confusion comes from OECD renaming long-standing data sources, but not providing see references so that the resource can be found under the new name. For example, the long term annual print publication, *Geographical Distribution of Financial Flows to Aid Recipients* is now available as the database *International Development Statistics*.

While the name change provided clarity to the novice, it would be helpful to link the print and former database names with the new database name, in order to make connections to past data easier. Unfortunately, this has not been remedied. In addition, it was also reported that since a database is not limited to a two dimensional data structure, it would be extremely helpful if sources such as nations and multilateral agencies could be merged into the same table. The database should be designed along the lines of what is the research question rather than basing layout on the former constraints of print. However, it is important to point out that once a theme is chosen, one can cut across “databases” under that theme. The search engine for OECDStat does allow one to search for variables across databases.

The OECD site continues to offer some free content, but to access more detail and historical files, it is necessary to subscribe to OECDiLibrary. OECD reports on its own research, and therefore is a unique source for the coverage of topics in its publications. In addition, OECD draws much of its data from national statistical sources, but there is considerable value added in the standardization it provides in presentation of those data. For an added fee, one can also get data from the International Energy Agency and use the same interface. OECDiLibrary is a
little pricey, but continues to provide remarkable value in both statistical and narrative content.

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Readex Publications – A Division of Newsbank
www.readex.com

August Imholz, Readex Vice-President, invites all librarians interested in international documents to stop by Readex Booth No. 1311 at the ALA Midwinter Conference in Dallas. Mr. Imholz can also be contacted by phone at (301) 572-5626 or by email at imholtz99@atlantech.net.

FBIS Daily Reports, 1941-1996.

What are FBIS Reports? The Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) Daily Report has been the United States' principal historical record of political open source intelligence for nearly 70 years. The original mission of the FBIS was to monitor, record, transcribe and translate intercepted radio broadcasts from foreign governments, official news services, and clandestine broadcasts from occupied territories.

In February 1941, President Roosevelt created the Foreign Broadcast Monitoring Service (FBMS), under the Federal Communication Commission. FBMS’s mission was to record, translate, transcribe and analyze shortwave propaganda radio programs that were being beamed at the United States by the Axis nations. Its first monitoring station was in Portland, Oregon. With the end of World War II, FBMS was transferred to the Army.

In the 1947 FBMS was renamed the Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS) as a part of the CIA. Its original mission of radio and press agency monitoring was expanded in 1967 to include foreign mass media whether it was transmitted by radio or TV, and print. The FBIS headquarters was in Rosslyn, Virginia, and they maintained approximately 20 monitoring stations worldwide.

In November 2005, it was announced that FBIS would become the newly formed Open Source Center, under the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. Open Source collects and analyses freely available intelligence. Open Source Center reports are part of an online government database, available to US federal, state and local government employees and contractors.

Readex FBIS Daily Reports, 1941-1996 Online

Readex offers FBIS Daily Reports, 1941-1996, in a complete online collection. These reports exist as a one-of-a-kind archive of transcripts of foreign broadcasts and news that provides fascinating insight into the second half of the 20th century. Many of these materials are firsthand reports of events as they occurred. The online Readex FBIS collection consists of three components:

- FBIS Daily Reports, 1941-1974 provides national and occasionally local perspectives on topics related to World War II and the Axis alliance, the new Islamic countries of the Middle East, the creation of Israel, the Berlin Wall, colonialism in Africa, apartheid, the Cold War, the Suez Crisis, the beginning of the Space Age, the Korean and Vietnam Wars, East-West interaction and much more. It also offers views on such figures as Salvador Allende, Fidel Castro, Winston Churchill, Ngo Dinh Diem, François Duvalier, Mohandas Gandhi, Adolf Hitler, Muhammad Ali Jinnah, Ruhollah Khomeini, Nelson Mandela, Imre Nagy, Joseph Stalin, Mao Tse-tung, Chaim Weizmann and many others.
• **FBIS Daily Reports, 1974-1996** covers the rise to power of Pol Pot, Deng Xiaoping, Ayatollah Khomeini, Mikhail Gorbachev, Lech Walesa, Benazir Bhutto and others, as well the peace agreement between Egypt and Israel, Soviet intervention in Afghanistan, formation of Sandinista government in Nicaragua, assassination of Indira Gandhi, student takeover of Tiananmen Square, opening of Berlin Wall, freeing of Nelson Mandela, Persian Gulf War, break up of Soviet Union, beginning of Rwandan genocide and more.

• **FBIS Daily Reports Annexes, 1974-1996.** Like the reports themselves, **FBIS Daily Report Annexes, 1974-1996** offers international views and perspectives on historical events from thousands of monitored broadcasts and publications. Created by the U.S. intelligence community to benefit analysts and policy makers, Annexes were "For Official Use Only".

Readex currently has over 240 customers who subscribe to their FBIS collections. For more information on the Readex FBIS Reports, visit Readex at Booth 1311 in Dallas, or contact your Readex representative.

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**Renouf Publishing**  [http://www.renoufbooks.com](http://www.renoufbooks.com)

Gordon Grahame, President of Renouf, reports that the company moved its Canadian offices at the end of the year and the staff has finally settled into their new premises. The web site is in the process of being fully updated and the company will be resuming the delivery of its e-mail updates in the coming weeks. He would also like to apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Gordon is pleased to announce that the Renouf has added the publications of the World Meteorological Organization to its list and standing orders are being accepted. Gordon will not be attending AL A Midwinter Conference in Dallas, but can be reached at ggrahame@renoufbooks.com. Visit Renouf’s web site to access a growing list of over 50,000 publications.

**New and Noteworthy Titles Available from Renouf**

- **Climate Knowledge for Action: A Global Framework for Climate Services, Empowering the most Vulnerable** (978-92-6-311065-7) This WMO report proposes how a global system for the provision of climate services can be set up over the next few years that will save lives and protect the jobs and homes of vulnerable people.

- **Earthquake Preparedness and Response for Nuclear Plants** (978-92-0-108810-9) The devastation caused in Japan last year highlights the need for affective plans to be in place during emergencies and this IAEA report provides up to date guidance on actions to be taken during an earthquake.

- **Frontiers in Development Policy: A Primer on Emerging Issues** (978-0-8213-8785-6) The publication, developed for courses at the World Bank and elsewhere, is a primer that examines inter-linkages in various parts of the economy and the need for practical policy making to reach development goals in a globalized world.

- **General Report on the Activities of the European Union 2010** (978-92-79-17464-3) This annual report, produced by the European Commission, provides highlights of developments in all sectors throughout the year.

Keeping Track of our Changing Environment from RIO to RIO+20 (978-92-807-3190-3) UNEP produced this innovative publication, which is based on statistical evidence, to illustrate major global environmental, economic and social changes that have occurred since 1992.

Looking Ahead in World Food and Agriculture: Perspectives to 2050 (978-92-5-5106903-5) In 2009 FAO organized a Forum on “How to feed the world in 2050”. This book provides vital statistics and includes valuable papers coming out of the meeting.

State of World’s Volunteerism Report 2011: Universal Values for Global Well-being (978-92-1-101246-0) This is the first edition of a new annual report that provides an overview on the state of volunteerism and the many contributions people make in society.

The Global Crisis: Causes, Responses and Challenges (978-92-2-124579-7) This important collection of essays brings together the main findings of ILO research since the start of the global economic crisis in 2008.

Toolbox for Crisis Communications in Tourism (978-92-844-1365-2) This toolbox, developed by the UNWTO serves as a practical guide for travel and tourism stakeholders, to effectively address the challenges generated by crises.

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) is the voice for the environment within the United Nations system. Its mission: to provide leadership and encourage partnership in caring for the environment by inspiring, informing, and enabling nations and peoples to improve their quality of life without compromising that of future generations.

The UNEP website is devoted to six priority areas for the 21st century: Climate Change, Disasters and Conflicts, Ecosystem Management, Environmental Government, Harmful Substances, and Resource Efficiency. Each area expands to an entire page with additional links devoted to that topic; the site is continually adding information and updates in these areas.

The top page is devoted to UNEP News, Speeches, In Focus, Ask an Expert, Publications, Videos, and how to get involved. At the time of this writing, the focus is RIO+20, the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development. Ask Today’s Expert, gives the opportunity for the posing of questions to an expert in the field. Questions and answers can be viewed as can upcoming and previous sessions. Short film videos are also available as are links to UNEP campaigns (World Environment Day, Jun 2012, etc.)

The Publications section of the site <uneppub@unep.org> includes Recently Published, Interactive e-Books, and Forthcoming, also Best Sellers and Periodicals sections. Recently Published, Best Seller titles are available full-text in .pdf. There is a Google search engine for UNEP books. The search engine searches UNEP titles in addition to other related sites. Other access points include:

- EarthPrint.com, “The World’s Leading Environmental and Agricultural Bookstore” is UNEP’s official online bookstore for its publications: titles can be searched and purchased online. It has general keyword search capability, but can be searched by topic including Air Pollution, Biodiversity, Chemicals, Climate, Desertification, Environmental Law, etc., which list UNEP publications in each of these subject areas. Titles feature a brief synopsis. Select titles are available full-text online. Publications offer both reports and statistics.
- Annual Reports (2000 forward in full-text, .pdf or .html format)
- Atlases
Periodicals (Our Planet, vol. 16 forward available full-text online)

Newsletters, most full-text online, including:
- Energy, Climate and Sustainable Development
- Global Network on Energy for Sustainable Development News
- Great Apes Survival Project Newsletter
- Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction from Industry in Asia and the Pacific News
- Sustainable Consumption Network Newsletter
- UNEP Chemicals Newsletter

e-Books (new)

The agency website is well-organized and is continually updated. As the international producer of information in the critical area of the environment, international documents and environmental /science librarians should keep abreast of all UNEP publications through the various access points on this site.

Recent publications include:

  This report addresses the mitigation of short-lived climate forcers (SLCFs) and its key role in air pollution reduction, climate protection and sustainable development. SLCFs are substances in the atmosphere that contribute to global warming and have relatively short lifetimes in the atmosphere.

- Women at the frontline of climate change - Gender risks and hope, 2011
  Women are often in the frontline in respect to the impacts of a changing climate. Globally the world is seeing increasingly frequent droughts and floods which are having economic but also profound social consequences. The women and people of Asia are currently at greatest risk with over 100 million people affected in this region annually.

- Interactive e-Books:
  - Kick the habit: A UN Guide to Climate Neutrality

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The following titles are among the most notable UNESCO publications in the latter half of 2011—plus two reference works that were not listed previously. All exist in PDF versions, but if you wish to purchase print copies, go to http://www.unesco.org/new/en/unesco/resources/publications/ and click the Online Bookshop link.

Culture

Education


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**Science**


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**Reference**

• **UNESCO Atlas of the World’s Languages in Danger**, 3rd edition (Paris: UNESCO, 2010; ISBN 9789231040955; WorldCat Accession number 610522460). Languages are classified from vulnerable to extinct, and you can search by location, language vitality code, number of speakers, or language name. The previous print edition appeared in 2001. An interactive version is found at:

  [http://www.unesco.org/culture/languages-atlas/](http://www.unesco.org/culture/languages-atlas/)

• **World Heritage Sites: A Complete Guide to 911 UNESCO World Heritage Sites**, revised and updated (Richmond Hill, Ontario: Firefly Books, 2011; ISBN 9781554078271; WorldCat Accession number 664424437). This is not a UNESCO publication and does not exist in PDF format, but it should be in most reference collections.

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**Travel Features on World Heritage Sites**


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**United Nations Statistics Division**

unstats.un.org

The UN Statistics Division administratively sits under the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and Economic and Social Development. There are four topical branches that collect, compile and disseminate key statistical publications, as well as work on methodological standards for classifying statistics in their areas. They are: Economic Statistics Branch, Demographic and Social Statistics, Environment and Energy Statistics Branch, and the Trade Statistics Branch. The final branch is the Statistical Services Branch that is responsible for compiling and documenting “crosscutting UN databases for print and electronic dissemination”.

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Noteworthy Information Sources

UNDATA is one of the dissemination products launched in 2008 that brings together many of the UN statistical databases into one search interface. Currently there are 33 databases in UNDATA.

Add a UNDATA Search box to your webpage! http://data.un.org/Host.aspx?Content=Link

As of January 3, 2012. UNDATA now contains data from the World Development Indicators (WDI).

Standards and Classification

Methods and Classification http://unstats.un.org/unsd/methods.htm
One of the functions of UNSTATS is to promote international standards of statistical methods, classifications and definitions used by national agencies. The Methods and Classification section of the website covers the following areas, with access to Handbooks on the topics:

- City groups
- Civil registration systems
- Country and area codes (M49)
- Demographic and social surveys
- Environmental accounting
- Geographical names and information systems
- International Comparison Programme
- International economic and social classifications
- International migration
- Methodological publications in statistics
- National accounts
- National and international data sources and links
- National Statistical Systems
- Population and housing censuses
- Population density and urbanization
- Public order and safety, offenders and their victims
- Statistics on international trade in services
- Time-use statistics (Allocation of time and time use)

In most cases, each topic contains an Introduction to the topic and who is collecting the statistics; Statistics, which includes an explanation of data collection and dissemination; Standards and Methods publications; and Meetings, where the topic was discussed, includes a report of what was decided.

UN Regional Cartographic Conferences, Publications

UNSTATS is responsible for organizing two cartographic conferences, the United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific, convened every three years; and The United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas, convened every four years. Two notable publications produced from UNRCC are the Handbook on Geographic Information Systems Digital Mapping and the Handbook on Geospatial Infrastructure in Support of Census Activities. Both recently published, provide standards and methods for geospatial mapping and data collection.

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The World Bank, as a preeminent publisher of a wide range of titles dealing with financial and fiscal matters at global, regional, and national levels, is a significant partner with libraries and research centers in providing a sound basis in data and analysis for understanding the world’s financial situation. The World Bank for both publishing and data is well represented in their Booth 1121 at the 2012 Midwinter ALA Meeting in Dallas.

One of five global fiscal bodies created at the Bretton Woods Conference in 1944, the World Bank has in the intervening years created what many consider to be the gold standard in gathering of financial and fiscal information on the world’s countries and their constituent financial institutions. The Bank also provides thorough and well-grounded analysis of the data so gathered, and disseminates that analysis along with a readily accessible body of financial and other data—a broad basket of its own data and much gathered from various other sources—countries and organizations. It tracks the financial situation of countries at annual intervals, and keeps those data for analysis over time—its own and by anyone wishing to access the data through the open Internet.

Data and Research
Data and Research is a powerful new portal on the World Bank web site which enable ready searching of World Bank resources in three categories: Data, Research, and Prospects. Note multiple statistical packages available through this site for detailed analysis:

- **ADePT.** Software platform for automated economic analysis
- **iSimulate.** Platform for performing macroeconomic simulations
- **PovCalNet.** Poverty Analysis Tool assess global poverty incidence figures
- **PovMap.** Provides computational solutions to poverty mapping activities

Open Data. The Bank continues to add datasets and indicators to the open data portal (data.worldbank.org).

Notable New Releases from the World Bank

- **Doing Business 2012.** Ninth in a series of annual reports comparing business regulations in 183 economies, this title measures regulations affecting 10 areas of business activity around the world.
- **Exporting Services.** Through country case studies as well as econometric analysis, this book attempts to identify the factors that have helped developing countries succeed in exporting services.
- **Global Development Finance 2012.** World Bank's annual report on external debt of developing countries includes comprehensive data for 128 countries, also summary data for regions and income groups.
- **Guide to Assessing Needs.** Making informed decisions is the essential beginning to any successful development project. Before the project even begins, you can use needs assessment approaches to guide your decisions. This book is filled with practical strategies that can help you define the desired results and select the most appropriate activities for achieving them.
- **Land Governance Assessment Framework.** Focusing on five country case studies, this volume provides an analysis of the Land Governance Assessment Framework (LGAF), a diagnostic tool aiming to help countries assess and benchmark land governance, prioritize reforms, and monitor progress over time.
- **Little Data Book on Climate Change 2011.** Provides a broad overview of climate change data and includes a diverse set of indicators selected from both the global economic and scientific communities.
- **More and Better Jobs in South Asia.** This book finds that the South Asia region has generated more and better jobs over the past two decades. It focuses on the changes in policies necessary to meet the...
enormous challenge of creating between 1 million and 1.2 million productive jobs every month over the next two decades.

- **New Structural Economics.** This book provides an innovative framework to analyze the process of industrial upgrading and diversification, a key feature of economic development. Provides concrete advice to development practitioners and policy makers on how to unleash a country’s growth potential.

- **World Development Report 2012.** This year’s World Development Report looks at facts and trends regarding the various dimensions of gender equality in the context of the development process.

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**World Health Organization – WHO**

[www.who.int](http://www.who.int)


Here is a summary of the publication: “This document provides employers and worker representatives with tools to build healthy and equitable workplaces for women and men while bringing needed attention to issues predominantly affecting women. The document includes ways to address the needs of women and men in the areas of physical and psychosocial health, personal health resources and enterprise-community involvement, avenues to protect and promote workers’ health, which are based on the WHO healthy workplace model.”

**World Health Assembly.** The World Health Assembly just recently met for its 64th annual session. Assembly documents and activities back to 2002 are available: [http://www.who.int/mediacentre/events/governance/wha/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/mediacentre/events/governance/wha/en/index.html)

**World Health Report, 2012.** The focus of the next (2012) World Health Report will be entitled “No Health Without Research.” A quick summary of the report is as follows: “The World Health Report 2012 will discuss the impact of health research. Over the last few years, there has been a sustained effort at the international level to encourage research initiatives and knowledge to action practices in public health. The World Health Report 2012 will further highlight the significance of conducting and translating health research to help promote healthy behaviors.” ([http://www.who.int/whr/en/index.html](http://www.who.int/whr/en/index.html)).
As a reminder, data in the World Health Reports is not downloadable into spreadsheet or statistical programs. However, WHOStat provides access to much of the primary data (and provides numerous notes and caveats): http://www.who.int/healthinfo/statistics/en/

As part of the 2012 report, WHO has announced a collaboration with the Public Library of Science (PLoS): “A collaboration between WHO and PLoS Medicine has been established to enhance the content and the dissemination of the key messages of the World Health Report 2012. We aim to work together to develop a Special Collection of papers to be launched at the same time of the launch of the WHR2012. Working with PLoS will enable us to capture the diversity and richness of experience, especially in developing countries, which can contribute to the strengthening of national health research systems.” (http://www.who.int/whr/2012/en/index3.html)

**World Malaria Report 2011.** “The World Malaria Report 2011 summarizes information received from 106 malaria-endemic countries and a range of other sources. It analyses prevention and control measures according to a comprehensive set of indicators, and highlights continued progress towards global malaria targets. This year’s report builds primarily on data received from countries for the year 2010. The report shows clear progress in the fight against malaria and a decline in estimated malaria cases and deaths. For the first time, the report contains individual profiles for 99 countries with ongoing malaria transmission.” (http://www.who.int/malaria/world_malaria_report_2011/en/).

**Multimedia.** There is an increasing amount of multimedia material available from WHO (central location: http://www.who.int/mediacentre/multimedia/en/)

- Podcasts via RSS
- YouTube Channel: http://www.youtube.com/who

**General Resources**

- **WHO Library (WHOLIS)** http://www.who.int/library/databases/en/
  30,000+ links to full text documents and 70,000 bibliographic records are accessible; most current and many out of print WHO publications can be accessed in pdf. Stable URLs are given, suitable for inclusion in 856 fields.

- **WHO Documentation** http://www.who.int/gb/e/index.html
  Complete documentation (1998-) of WHO Executive Board sessions and Health Assemblies.

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**World Trade Organization – WTO**

www.wto.int

The World Trade Organization was established January 1, 1995, created during the Uruguay Round, essentially replacing the GATT 1947. The WTO’s main function is to ensure “that trade flows smoothly, predictably, and as freely as possible”. GATT had mainly dealt with trade in goods, the WTO and its agreements now cover trade in services, and in traded inventions, creations and designs (intellectual property). In order to achieve its mission, the WTO engages in the following activities: trade negotiations; implementation and monitoring of the WTO agreements and member countries trade policies and practices; settlement of trade disputes; building trade capacity with developing countries; and outreach.

The current round of trade negotiations is the Doha Round, launched November 2001 at the Fourth Ministerial Conference held in Doha, Qatar.
Multimedia and Online Engagement  WTO is on Flicker, Facebook, Twitter and YouTube

Noteworthy Information Sources

  
  Note: all three publications are indexed in ProQuest Statistical Insight; depending on your subscription, tables and full text is also available.

- **WTO Distance Learning Modules.** http://www.wto.org/english/res_e/d_learn_e/d_learn_e.htm
  
  Includes training modules on GATS, SPS, WTO Dispute Settlement System; multimedia presentations, briefings. Some of these modules are geared toward educating members, however, the content is useful understanding the context and structure of the WTOs work. There is no charge for this resource.

- **WTO E-Training.** https://etraining.wto.org/default.asp
  
  The WTO E-Learning material is freely available in the WTO E-Learning website. Currently there are ten courses available in English, French, and Spanish:
  
  o  Introduction to the WTO
  o  Trade in Services in the WTO
  o  Trade and Environment
  o  Market Access for goods and Non-Agricultural Market Access (NAMA) Negotiations
  o  Trade Remedies and the WTO
  o  Agriculture in the WTO
  o  The Multilateral Trade Agreements
  o  Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures
  o  Technical Barriers to Trade
  o  Trade-related aspects of Intellectual Property Rights

  In addition to these ten courses, there are eighteen free “self-training” courses that cover the basic principles and functions of the WTO. Some of the courses available here are the same as the learning modules. https://etraining.wto.org/course/self_training.asp?lang=En

- **Trade and Tariff Indicators – Mapped!** http://www.wto.org/english/res_e/statis_e/statis_maps_e.htm
  
  The following indicators can be mapped for each of the 153 WTO member countries.
  
  o  Trade per Capita
  o  Trade to GDP ratio
  o  Tariff binding coverage
  o  Most Favored Nation (MFN) tariffs, simple average, final bound
  o  MFN tariffs, simple average, applied
  o  MFN tariffs, trade weighted average, applied
  o  Services sectors with GATS commitments
  o  Outstanding notifications in WTO Central Registry

  Mapped indicators are the latest year only (typically this is a year or two behind, so 2009 and 2010 numbers are what you will see in early 2012). Links to the Trade and Tariff profiles will get you to more detailed data by country, but again only the latest profile. Profiles can be printed or downloaded in .pdf format. Not quite sure what those indicators are? Use the Help with Symbols and Indicators, which explains each term and how it is calculated and the Jargon Buster, which further explains trade terms like Ad Valorem and Balance of Payments.

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