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Welcome to our newsletter for the Global Health Governance Programme. Our Programme researches how global institutions, finance and rules can better serve the needs of people across the world. We are based in the Centre for Global Health Research within the Usher Institute in the University of Edinburgh Medical School.

Please check out our latest blogs and updates below:-

Dr Marlee Tichenor has been awarded the Hayter Travel and Field Research Award from Centre for African Studies at University of Edinburgh. What has she been up to...?
I attended the Coalition National pour la Santé et l'Action Sociale's (COSAS) panel on universal health coverage on March 21st, and I will be helping COSAS write up recommendations to the Ministry of Health based on the four panels the organization has held so far. At the UHC panel, Dr Bocar Mamadou Daff of the Agence de la Couverture Maladie Universelle (ACMU), Dr Farba Lamine Sall of the World Health Organization, and Dr Aboubacry Fall of the ACMU and formally of the Department of Prevention at the Ministry of Health presented on the expectations and practicalities of working toward universal health coverage in Senegal. On March 22nd, I attended the opening ceremony of the 12th Grand Summit of Ethical Committees, where the president of the pilot committee, Dr Aissatou Touré, discussed the importance incorporating African scientists into leadership positions in the organization and of turning ethical reflection toward the question of emerging sciences on the African continent, as Senegal contemplates establishing a committee particularly geared toward bioethics rather than merely research ethics.
March 26th through the 29th, I was in Ouidah, Benin, attending GlobalMed's "Regulations, Markets, Health" conference, which brought together social scientists who study pharmaceutical markets and practices in Benin, Ghana, Senegal, Kenya, Madagascar, Burkina Faso, and others, along with practitioners of pharmaceutical regulation. On April 13th, I attended the last day of the "Managing Markets for Health" week-long training course, co-hosted by the Global Financing Facility and the University of Edinburgh, where representatives from Ministries of Health in Mozambique, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Vietnam, Central African Republic, and other countries discussed and used a tool developed by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to evaluate the state of their pharmaceutical supply chains and where to intervene to get the best results. On April 15th, I attended the opening ceremony of the 7th Multilateral Initiative on Malaria (MIM) Pan-African Conference, held here again - this time in the emerging city of Diamniadio - decades after the first MIM meeting was held in Dakar in 1997 to establish priority agendas for malaria research on the African continent. At the opening ceremony, Senegalese President Macky Sall reaffirmed his political commitment to malaria control and its importance as part of a multi-pronged approach to promoting universal health coverage, and Joy Phumaphi of the African Leadership Malaria Alliance (ALMA) presented President Sall with ALMA's 2018 Award of Excellence in Malaria Control.

Dr Felix Stein attends World Bank Meeting

Felix attended the World Bank's Spring Meeting and has a new blog post out. See below for details
https://politicalandlegalanthro.org/2018/03/13/uk-universities-under-siege/
A German Lifestyle Magazine (Tonic Magazin) interviewed Felix on his previous research regarding the nature of office work and capitalism. You can find the interview (in German) here: https://www.tonic-magazin.de/artikel/unternehmensberatung-consulting-powerpoint-kapitalismus

Professor Devi Sridhar and Felix published this article: https://wellcomeopenresearch.org/articles/3-17/v1

Mitsuru Mukaigawara paper published
The latest paper has been published in the Wellcome Open collection. See link for details: https://wellcomeopenresearch.org/articles/3-40/v1

New Centre well under way

We were delighted to participate in the Wellcome Trust’s visit to Edinburgh for the new Centre for Biomedicine, Self and Society. We will be hiring a postdoc in the coming months to support on the “Beyond Global” strand of the research.

Hay Festival
Professor Devi Sridhar has been invited back to speak at this year's Hay Festival. Details here:-


We are delighted to have 9 new student researchers joining us this month.

See link for details of our current team

http://globalhealthgovernance.org/team-1/
Upcoming Seminar

The Global Health Governance Programme along with Edinburgh Infectious Diseases and the Centre for Medical Anthropology are delighted to announce that we are co-hosting a talk by Dr Emily Mendenhall on the 24th May at 2pm.
The talk is entitled “Syndemic Diabetes: Entanglements of Poverty, Trauma, and AIDS.”

For further information and to book your place, please see link:-
https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/syndemic-diabetes-entanglements-of-poverty-trauma-and-aids-tickets-41818946595

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