

Fortnightly links: women's empowerment, rebalancing globalisation, and more

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The [Washington Post](#) writes about a new [report](#) which says that the whole idea of 'women's empowerment' is broken.

[Here](#), environmental journalist David Roberts argues that talking about overpopulation is not the solution to overpopulation (or environmental issues).

Jo Chandler [reports](#) on the fight against the polio virus.

The International Committee of the Red Cross has an [e-briefing](#) on how to generate respect for international humanitarian law, particularly in times of war.

Dani Rodrik, who has the distinction of identifying some of the challenges of globalisation two decades ago, wants to rebalance globalisation, in this paper [\[pdf\]](#) he explains why and how.

[Dharma platform](#) is revolutionising data collection in disaster zones, allowing first-responders to act quickly and effectively using up-to-date data.

And finally, following a decade-long debate on the need for a more nuanced approach to benchmarking international poverty, the World Bank has [announced](#) two new poverty lines; an upper bound -- equivalent to \$US 5.50 p/day, and a middle bound -- worth \$US 3.20 p/day. The move is a welcome development, and will take into account differences in purchasing power across countries.