Fortnightly links: Mexican elections, ODI podcasts, conflict in Yemen, and more

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Mexico’s upcoming elections may bring dramatic political change to a country where the status quo usually dominates. If you’re interested, you can listen to an interview with Christy Thornton from Johns Hopkins university on the elections and what they might mean.

Did you know that ODI has a podcast series? The latest episodes are on the future of humanitarian aid.
American journalist Robert Wright, and Yemeni-American blogger Shireen Al-Adeimi discuss the ongoing conflict in Yemen. The ongoing humanitarian tragedy is appalling, as is the role being played by Saudi Arabia and the US.

This example from Guatemala shows that the most effective way of engaging local and regional authorities is to involve the community in generating and presenting evidence, and facilitate collective action.

The Humanitarian Advisory Group has a new report on how to address abuse in the international aid sector, and ACFID has recently announced an independent review into the prevention of sexual misconduct within its member organisations.

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