

Fortnightly links: Kiribati, malaria, data, refugee mental health, #WhatIReallyReallyWant and more

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This [NY Times feature](#) highlights some of the efforts that the Kiribati government is making to prepare for the effects of climate change.

In the world of global health, ABC's *Rear Vision* has an [interesting podcast](#) on the fight against polio. And in a piece that is part of a larger series on fighting malaria in Tanzania, Kaleigh Rogers [argues](#) that the real key to malaria elimination is economic development.

A [smart experiment](#) [gated; ungated version [here](#)] on a payments for ecosystem services project in Uganda that makes great use of satellite data. The substantive finding is that (depending on what happens after the project stops) the project delivered significant benefits.

Third time lucky: the US Congress [has approved](#) the long-awaited Foreign Aid Transparency and Accountability Act. Now all that awaits is the president's signature.

Morten Jerven has a new [working paper](#), published through NYU's Development Research Institute, which provides a good primer on the quality of data in the leading economic development databases. Also on data, Tim Herschel-Burns [highlights](#) the totally inconsistent reporting of conflict death tolls, and why that is a significant problem.

From *The Smithsonian*, a sobering piece on the [challenges](#) of devising mental health support and rehabilitation programs for child and adolescent refugees.

Fans of '90s girl bands will no doubt love the latest Global Goals promo video (below). But for a wider audience, is it an improvement on Project Everyone's [previous effort](#)? Leave us a comment and let us know your thoughts!

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