RESOURCES ON COVID-19 FROM CFR AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS


I. Background
The resources below provide context and basic information on the state of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- **What You Need to Know About the Coronavirus Outbreak**
  - This CFR backgrounder analyzes what to know about the coronavirus outbreak, worldwide responses, and economic consequences.

- **Why It Matters: Coronavirus**
  - This podcast episode of Why It Matters covers organizations that tackle public health emergencies, and the effects the coronavirus is having on our globalized economy with Sylvia Mathews Burwell, Rana Foroohar, Tom Frieden, Shannon K. O’Neil, and host Gabrielle Sierra.

- **COVID-19 Update: Latest Developments in the Fight Against Coronavirus**
  - Michele Barry, Seth Berkley, Jeffery L. Millhorn, and Farah Stockman, discuss the latest COVID-19 developments, including the evolving U.S. response, updates on vaccine efforts, the disease's effects globally, and lessons learned thus far.

- **The Pandemic Will Accelerate History Rather Than Reshape It**
  - On ForeignAffairs.com, Richard Haass analyzes the accelerated effects on geo politics and international order from COVID-19.

- **The World Health Organization**
  - This CFR backgrounder provides a history of the World Health Organization (WHO).

- **COVID-19 Lessons From Washington State**
  - Vin Gupta, assistant professor of global health at the University of Washington and principal scientist at Amazon Care, discusses the status of COVID-19, lessons learned in Washington state, and the challenges of delivering medical care to underserved groups.

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II. Global Perspectives
Read commentary and analysis of how countries around the world are working to manage the pandemic.

- **After COVID-19: China’s Role in the World and U.S.-China Relations**

- **Iran’s Hard-Liners Are Sitting Pretty**
  - On ForeignAffairs.com, Sina Tossi analyzes the Iranian government’s response to COVID-19 and its consequences to the country.

- **The Coronavirus’s Impact Throughout Africa, With Michelle D. Gavin**
  - On the recent podcast of The President’s Inbox, CFR senior fellow for Africa studies Michelle Gavin, sits down with James M. Lindsay to discuss how the novel coronavirus is affecting Angola, Botswana, Sudan, and other nations throughout Africa.

- **Latin America’s Response to COVID-19**
  - Paul J. Angelo, Donna Hrinak, and Shannon O’Neil discuss the recent acceleration of infection in Latin America, as well as the political and economic ramifications of the pandemic in the region.

- **Coronavirus: How Are Countries Responding to the Economic Crises?**
  - This CFR backgrounder provides an overview on the world’s largest economies and their strategies to counter the consequences from the coronavirus.

- **World Economic Update**
  - Lewis S. Alexander, Matthew P. Goodman, Isabelle Mateos y Lago, and Sebastian Mallaby discuss economic ramifications of COVID-19 and fiscal policies implemented to respond to the growing global crisis.

III. CFR Experts
Follow CFR’s experts for the latest on public health policy.

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IV. Think Global Health

*Think Global Health* is a multi-contributor website that examines the ways changes in health are reshaping economies, societies, and the everyday lives of people around the globe. For the latest stories and reporting on the coronavirus outbreak, click here.


- **Amanda McClellan**, “All Focus Must Turn to Health Care Workers Now,” April 7, 2020.


V. Additional Resources

See below for quick links to useful resources.

- Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention Information for Travel
- U.S Department of State Travel Advisories
- Johns Hopkins University & Medicine COVID-19 Interactive Map
- World Health Organization (WHO) Coronavirus Information

VI. About CFR

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