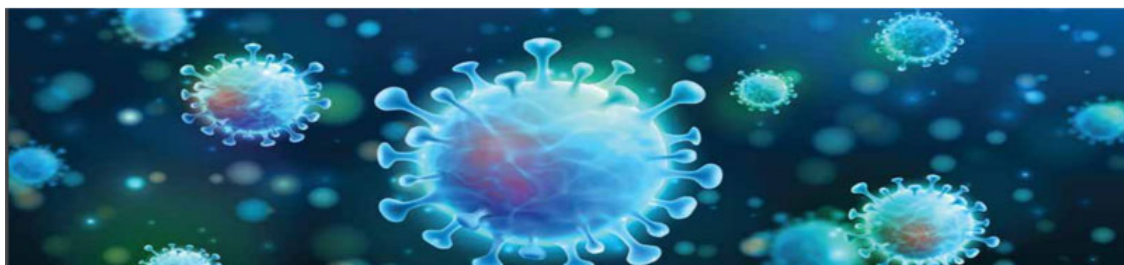




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- [COVID-19 and Export Restrictions: The Limits of International Trade Law and Lessons for the AfCFTA](#) (Policy brief – 14 May 2020)
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- [Quick Assessment of the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Africa National Statistical Offices Operations](#) (Publication – May 2020)
- [Insights on African businesses' reactions and outlook to COVID-19](#) (Publication – April 2020)

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- [Africa UN Knowledge Hub for COVID-19](#)

News and press releases

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- [ECA proposes COVID-19 exit strategies to bring African economies back on track](#) (Press release – 10 May 2020)
- [Webinar discusses coronavirus impact on macroeconomic planning](#) (Press release – 7 May 2020)
- [ECA leads discussion on Africa's COVID-19 lockdown exit strategies](#) (Press release – 7 May 2020)
- [UN Resident coordinators in West Africa and ECOWAS call for partnership with ECA for harmonized and coordinated COVID-19 response at the regional level](#) (Press release – 7 May 2020)
- [COVID-19 aggravates plight of women in Africa](#) (Press release – 5 May 2020)
- [Coronavirus pandemic won't affect Africa-EU relations](#) (Press release – 30 April 2020)
- [COVID-19 lessons offer hope for global efforts to address climate change impacts](#) (Press release – 28 April 2020)

Op-eds

- [An unprecedented global threat that deserves unprecedented leadership](#) (op-ed by Arkebe Oqubay, Senior minister and special adviser to the prime minister of Ethiopia – 24 April 2020)

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Research and analysis

- [El desafío social en tiempos del COVID-19](#) (Publication – 12 May 2020)
- [Restrictions on the export of medical products hamper efforts to contain coronavirus disease \(COVID-19\) in Latin America and the Caribbean](#) (Publication – 8 May 2020)
- [Producing the consumer price index \(CPI\) and the COVID-19 pandemic in Latin America and the Caribbean](#) (Publication – 30 April 2020)
- [Persons with disabilities and coronavirus disease \(COVID-19\) in Latin America and the Caribbean: status and guidelines](#) (Publication – 30 April 2020)
- [Analysis and responses of Latin America and the Caribbean to the effects of COVID-19 on food systems N° 2](#) (Publication – 29 April 2020)

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- [COVID-19 Observatory for Latin America and the Caribbean](#)

News and press releases

- [Urgent Attention Should Be Given to the Unique Vulnerabilities and Challenges Faced by Caribbean Countries to Achieve the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs in the Context of the COVID-19 Crisis and Beyond: Alicia Bárcena](#) (News – 13 May 2020)
- [ECLAC Proposes Moving Towards a Basic Income to Help the Most Vulnerable Population Overcome the Coronavirus's Effects](#) (Press release – 12 May 2020)
- [In the Post-COVID-19 World, the 2030 Agenda Demands More Cooperation and Regional Integration, More Multilateralism and Greater Productive Integration: Alicia Bárcena](#) (Press release – 11 May 2020)

- [Pandemic](#) (Press release – 7 May 2020)
- [Latin America and the Caribbean: Tax Revenue Gains under Threat Amid Deteriorating Regional Outlook](#) (News – 7 May 2020)
- [Alicia Bárcena Calls for Moving Towards a More Democratic Globalization, with a New Development Paradigm that Recognizes Social, Environmental and Economic Interdependence](#) (News – 5 May 2020)
- [Gender Equality is a Key Factor for Sustainable, Inclusive and Equitable Growth: Alicia Bárcena](#) (news – 30 April 2020)
- [Borrowing is Not an Option for Caribbean Countries, Access to Concessional Funding and Debt Relief is Urgently Needed to Face the COVID-19 Crisis](#) (Press release – 29 April 2020)
- [COVID-19 Pandemic Calls on Us to Build a New Development Model and Strengthen Regional Integration to Confront the Crisis: ECLAC](#) (Press release – 27 April 2020)

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Research and analysis

- [Policy responses to COVID-19: Combating COVID-19 in Asia and the Pacific: Measures, lessons and the way forward](#) (Policy brief - 15 May 2020)
- [MPFD Policy Brief No. 111: Addressing the impact of the pandemic on tourism in Asia-Pacific small island developing States](#) (Policy brief - 15 May 2020)
- [The safe waste treatment for COVID-19: Lessons from the Republic of Korea](#) (Publication – 14 May 2020)
- [Healthcare products trade and external shocks: The US-China trade war and COVID-19 pandemics](#) (Working paper – 11 May 2020)
- [Monitoring the Transport Policy Response to COVID-19 along the Regional Transport Network in Asia and the Pacific](#) (Policy brief – 8 May 2020)
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- [A Note on the Status of APTA Trade in Healthcare Sector Related Products in the Context of the Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) (Working paper – 27 April 2020)

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- [Protecting and Empowering Persons with Disabilities in the Context of the COVID-19 Pandemic](#) (Webinar – 14 May 2020)
- [Initiative on Model Provisions for Trade in Times of Crisis and Pandemic in Regional and Other Trade Agreements](#) (13 May 2020)
- [How the Republic of Korea turned the tide on COVID-19 using ICT](#) (Webinar - 28 April 2020)

News and Press Releases

- [Indexing Risk To Recover From COVID-19](#) (Blog post– 15 May 2020)
- [COVID-19 Pandemic May Give Asia-Pacific's Oceans A Chance To Recover, Highlights New UN Report](#) (Press release - 13 May 2020)

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- [IRENA And ESCAP Step Up Joint Efforts To Support Asia-Pacific's Crisis Response](#) (Press release – 6 May 2020)
- [The plight of migrants under the spotlight in COVID-19 responses](#) (Blog post – 6 May 2020)
- [COVID-19 pandemic: international freight trains lead the way into future](#) (Blog post – 4 May 2020)
- [Climate action lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic](#) (Blog post – 28 April 2020)
- [Financing SDGs under a new normal: Challenges and response to COVID-19 pandemic](#) (Blog post -28 April 2020)
- [COVID-19 crisis reinforces the importance of the sustainable energy transition](#) (Blog post – 27 April 2020)

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- [COVID-19 Crisis: Older Persons Are The Pillars Of Our Society – We Cannot Leave Them Behind](#) (Op-ed – 1 May 2020)

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- [Effect of COVID-19 on price and expenditures statistics](#) (publication - 27 April 2020)
- Policy brief on COVID-19 economic cost to the Arab region ([Press Release](#), [video and the Policy Brief document](#))
- [Socioeconomic Impact of COVID-19: Policy Briefs](#) (April 2020)

Resources

- [COVID-19 Policy Tracker](#)
- [Prevalence of COVID-19 in the Arab Region](#)
- [WHO: Eastern Mediterranean region COVID-19 affected countries](#)

News and press releases

- [ESCWA & ILO hold an Arab social protection experts meeting to face the COVID-19 crisis](#) (News – 28 April 2020)
- [Special meeting of the ESCWA Committee on Women: policy responses to protect women and girls from the impact of COVID-19](#) (News – 27 April 2020)

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- [Food Outlook](#)
- [Data Sources on Coronavirus impact on Transport](#)
- [Observatory on Border Crossings Status due to COVID-19](#)

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- [Governments in Pan-European region launch UN Task Force to make post-COVID-19 pandemic mobility more environmentally sound, healthy and sustainable](#) (Press release – 15 May 2020)
- [UNECE welcomes Fairtrade International amongst the signatories of the Declaration for Gender Responsive Standards and Standards Development](#) (Press release - 14 May 2020)
- [UNECE instruments help countries ensure equitable access to water and sanitation for vulnerable groups – a vital defence against pandemics](#) (News - 8 May 2020)
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- [Transparent value chains can help make the fashion industry's post-COVID recovery more resilient and sustainable](#) (News - 6 May 2020)
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