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SAHR News

The 2025 SAHR General Assembly will be held in Barcelona on 27 October 2025 (time to be confirmed). If you are able to come, please do: we hope to run a hybrid session. Registration and call for papers can be found here: https://icabarcelona2025.cat/.

Events

Worldwide: Strike Wave: Changing Tides of Labor Organizing in Libraries and Information Fields. Call for proposals (due 15 April): This special issue aims to engage in a conversation on how concerns of labor, precarity, and economic forces more broadly take shape within information ecosystems and library and information professions. The global discourse around such organizing efforts has become more prominent, as social movements around reproductive justice, gender liberation, and protests challenging systemic racism and policing primed the broader public for thinking critically about power and oppression. Cheryl Oestreicher, Publishing in the Archives Profession, 2025-03-12.

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News by topic

Children's Rights

South Korea: <u>South Korea admits to human rights violations through mass intercountry</u> <u>adoptions</u>. The South Korean government's Truth and Reconciliation Commission admitted on Wednesday that the government had violated fundamental human rights in the intercountry adoption process due to a lack of a proper legislative framework, oversight, and adherence to administrative procedures. The government's findings are based on an intensive investigation that involved gathering information and conducting interviews with relevant individuals. The gathered information includes a vast amount of data from the archives and adoption records of four major adoption agencies. Ellie Cho, Jurist News, 2025-03-28.

Crimes Against Humanity

Argentina: <u>'You couldn't trust anyone': documenting Argentina's military dictatorship – photo essay</u>. Lorenzo Tondo speaks to the photographer José Luis Ledesma about his work documenting the Dirty War, the brutality of Videla's regime and Maradona's life in Italy. Tondo, Lorenzo, The Guardian, 2025-03-24.

Belarus: Six human rights organisations submit evidence of crimes against humanity to the International Criminal Court. The Communication draws on interviews with witnesses and victims of alleged crimes, complemented by an extensive analysis of publicly available sources, including public statements of Belarusian high-ranking officials, proving that the alleged crimes were committed as part of a widespread and systematic attack directed against the part of the Belarusian civilian population perceived by the authorities as "disloyal". They also demonstrate that the Belarusian authorities implement a State policy to intimidate and punish those deemed "disloyal", in a campaign officials have repeatedly described as a "cleansing of society". International Federation for Human Rights, International Federation for Human Rights, 2025-03-27.

Libya: <u>Activist alerts ICC to spyware attack while sharing Libya torture victims' details</u>. A prominent activist in Italy has warned the international criminal court that his mobile phone was under surveillance when he was providing the ICC with confidential information about victims of torture in Libya. Kirchgaessner, Stephanie; Giuffrida, Angela, The Guardian, 2025-03-19.

Philippines: Statement of the ICC Office of the Prosecutor on the arrest of former Philippine President Rodrigo Roa Duterte. The Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (ICC) welcomes the arrest and transfer of the suspect Mr Rodrigo Roa Duterte, former President of the Philippines, on 11 March 2025 by the authorities of the Republic of the Philippines. Mr Duterte has been arrested in the context of the Office's ongoing investigation into the Situation in the Republic of the Philippines. International Criminal Court, International Criminal Court, 2025-03-12.

Syria: Accountability for Past Crimes is Essential to Ensure a Better Future for Syria. A better future for Syria, rooted in respect for human rights for all, requires addressing and ensuring meaningful, inclusive and comprehensive accountability for decades of grave human rights violations by the al-Assad government, as well as international crimes committed by all parties to the conflict. Human Rights Watch, Human Rights Watch, 2025-03-19.

Venezuela: <u>Harsh repression and crimes against humanity ongoing Fact-Finding Mission says</u>. The Government of Venezuela continues to engage in actions constituting the crime against humanity of persecution on political grounds, committed in connection with the crime of imprisonment or severe deprivation of physical liberty and other crimes, the UN Fact-Finding Mission on Venezuela said in its latest update on the country's human rights situation. OHCHR, OHCHR, 2025-03-18.

Destruction of Documents

United States of America: <u>DON'T SHRED ON ME! USAID documents destruction breaks the law.</u> <u>according to National Security Archive</u>. The acting executive secretary of the U.S. Agency for International Development Monday night ordered the destruction of classified records and personnel files, according to the March 10 email reported by The Guardian, The New York Times, and other outlets. National Security Archive, National Security Archive, 2025-03-12.

United States of America: <u>Judge orders now-infamous Signal chat be retained as tariff fallout</u> <u>deepens</u>. James Boasberg, the chief US district judge in Washington, ordered all messages in the group chat be preserved, adding that his decision was aimed at ensuring no messages were lost and not because he decided the Trump administration had done anything wrong. Boasberg is set to decide at a later stage whether the disappearing message function of the Signal chat violated federal records retention laws. Guardian staff, The Guardian, 2025-03-28.

United States of America: Pentagon history purge highlights which stories are told and why others are ignored. The Trump administration's efforts to strip diversity, equity and inclusion prompted the Defense Department to remove thousands of pages and images honoring the contributions of women and people of color. The Pentagon is restoring some of those web pages, saying the removal was a mistake. Geoff Bennett, 2025-03-18.

United States of America: <u>U.S.A.I.D. Official Orders Employees to Shred or Burn Classified and Personnel Records</u>. Union representatives demanded that the aid agency follow the law stated in the Federal Records Act. Defense lawyers argued that officials had not destroyed personnel records and would not destroy any more documents without notification. Wong, Edward, The New York Times, 2025-03-11.

United States of America: <u>USAID staff told to shred and burn classified documents</u>. USAID's acting executive secretary told staff to use shredders and burn bags to dispose of files. Epstein, Kayla, BBC, 2025-03-12.

Detention

El Salvador/United States of America/Venezuela: <u>Trump administration claims details of mass deportations are state secrets</u>. Justice department avoids providing US judge information on expulsions of Venezuelan immigrants to El Salvador. Olivares, José, The Guardian, 2025-03-25.

Disinformation

Ecuador: <u>MediaHack: 36 hours against electoral disinformation in Ecuador</u>. Can technology combat disinformation? In the middle of Ecuador's tense presidential campaign, a hackathon in Quito gathered efforts to face this challenge. Carlos E. Flores, Global Voices, 2025-03-28.

Europe: Addressing disinformation and protecting information integrity. Key takeaways from our session at RightsCon featuring key experts on information integrity and media resilience in Europe. Article 19, ARTICLE 19, 2025-03-04.

Romania: Romania conducts social media "stress test" ahead of May election. Romania's agency ANCOM has not explicitly stated whether online platforms have provided sufficient reassurances around disinformation campaigns. Datta, Anupriya, Euractiv, 2025-03-28.

United States of America: <u>The Guardian view on Trump and reality: from promoting alternative</u> <u>facts to erasing truths</u>. The decision to put documents on the assassination of John F Kennedy into the public domain comes alongside a 'digital book burning' of data. Editorial, The Guardian, 2025-03-27.

Worldwide: The New Yorker at 100: 'We live in a world of misinformation ... a lack of verification. Our readers want what we do'. The venerable magazine is thriving and its long-time editor David Remnick tells us why a dedication to literate, conversation-provoking and veracious reportage has never been more vital. Anthony, Andrew, The Observer, 2025-03-23.

Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Greece: Archivist working for Greek authorities suspected as archaeology smuggling ring kingpin. Greek authorities arrested 23 individuals in Northern Greece, alleged to be part of three antiquities smuggling rings. The Jerusalem Post, The Jerusalem Post | JPost.com, 2025-03-16.

India: **Q&A: Meet Shakuntala Marndi, Santali-language activist and Wikimedian**. Shakuntala Marndi, a Santali-language Wikipedian, talks about her efforts to promote Santali online, particularly through her blog and Wikimedia projects. Amrit Sufi, Global Voices, 2025-03-28.

United States of America: NIH Ends Future Funding to Study the Health Effects of Climate Change. It's unclear whether the guidance will impact active grants, but it appears to halt opportunities for future studies. One climate health expert said the directive would have a "devastating" impact on much-needed research. Annie Waldman, Sharon Lerner, ProPublica, 2025-03-24.

Worldwide: Mind your language: The battle for linguistic diversity in AI. Mr. Pichai's speech was a far cry from the linguistic missteps of early generative AI – a branch of artificial intelligence capable of creating original content, from text to images, music and animation. When OpenAI launched ChatGPT in 2022, non-English speakers quickly discovered its limitations. A query in English would generate a detailed, informative response. The same prompt in French? Two paragraphs, followed by a sheepish apology: "Sorry, I haven't been trained on that," or, "my model isn't updated beyond this date.". Fabrice Robinet, UN News, 2025-03-23.

Worldwide: <u>RightsCon 2025: Protecting digital freedom in a conflicted world</u>. At RightsCon 2025, civil society and experts discussed digital freedom, information integrity, and China's transnational repression. Article 19, ARTICLE 19, 2025-03-04.

Freedom of Expression

Bangladesh: <u>Media reforms urgently needed to protect freedom of expression</u>. To protect freedom of expression and journalists, Bangladesh's Interim Government must urgently reform media law. Article 19, ARTICLE 19, 2025-03-03.

Freedom of Information

Africa: <u>Internet shutdowns at record high in Africa as access 'weaponised'</u>. More governments seeking to keep millions of people offline amid conflicts, protests and political instability. Egbejule, Eromo, The Guardian, 2025-03-09.

Russian Federation/United States of America: <u>The CIA Book Club by Charlie English review – 'It was like fresh air'</u>. A fascinating, exciting history of how the agency smuggled subversive books across the iron curtain. Simpson, John, The Guardian, 2025-03-14.

Ukraine: <u>Ukraine's clandestine book club defies Russia's push to rewrite history</u>. Risking discovery and even prison, teenage readers meet in secret to discuss texts that Putin's troops are trying to erase. Pomerantsev, Peter; Dykhman, Alina, The Observer, 2025-03-22.

United States of America: <u>'We're losing our environmental history': The future of government information under Trump</u>. Government data is a vast resource that everyone relies on, whether they know it or not. Experts are worried about the future of this resource. McKenzie, Jessica, Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, 2025-03-05.

United States of America: <u>National Cancer Institute Employees Can't Publish Information on These Topics Without Special Approval</u>. Vaccines. Fluoride. Autism. Communications involving these and 20 other "controversial, high profile, or sensitive" topics will get extra scrutiny under Health Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. Song, Annie Waldman,Lisa, ProPublica, 2025-03-10.

Freedom of the Press

Serbia: <u>Press freedom in Serbia is facing a dangerous turning point, editors warn</u>. Group says reporters at independent outlets suffer 'constant harassment, physical attacks and smear campaigns'. Savage, Michael, The Guardian, 2025-03-23.

Türkiye: In Turkey, a controversial law on cybersecurity is widely seen as yet another censorship tool. The Media and Rights Studies Association (MLSA) highlighted several problematic nuances such as punishing journalists working on data security with the same penalties as the perpetrators behind the leaks. Arzu Geybullayeva, Global Voices, 2025-03-27.

Government

United Kingdom: <u>Found: British Military Documents</u>, <u>Scattered on the Street</u>. A man in Northern England said he had stumbled upon hundreds of documents, including threat assessments, armory codes and detailed base patrols. The Ministry of Defense said it was investigating. Wolfe, Jonathan, The New York Times, 2025-03-29.

United States of America: <u>Donald Trump signs order to dismantle seven federal agencies</u>.

President Trump on Friday signed an executive order that aims to eliminate seven federal agencies,

including ones that focus on media, libraries, museums and ending homelessness. Gangitano, Alex, The Hill, 2025-03-15.

United States of America: <u>Judge orders participants in Signal chat group blunder to preserve all messages</u>. Restraining order was issued to ensure that records of Yemen attack group conversation are retained. Lowell, Hugo, The Guardian, 2025-03-27.

United States of America: <u>Trump Fired the Archivist of the United States</u>. Trump dismissing Dr. Colleen Shogan and replacing her with Marco Rubio as Acting Archivist is an ominous sign. Baron, Jason R., Washington Monthly, 2025-03-05.

Human Rights

United States of America: <u>Safe and Informed Access: How Vassar College Libraries Dealt with Racist, Xenophobic, and Otherwise Harmful Material in the Digital Library</u>. While evaluating collections to be migrated in our 2021 move to Islandora 2.0, it became clear that the Wolven Glass Plate Negative Collection required serious attention due to including racist, xenophobic, or otherwise harmful material. This led to a process of evaluation, research, discussion, and implementation that has resulted in an official content warning, informed metadata creation, UX structural changes within the Digital Library, and community events. Nicole Scalessa, bloggERS!, 2025-03-14.

Worldwide: Amnesty International Adopts Preserve365 to Streamline the Archiving and Preservation of Human Rights Records in Microsoft 365. Preservica, a pioneer in Active Digital Preservation archiving, is proud to announce that Amnesty International has selected Preserve365® to enhance archiving and preservation for its critical human rights records. The global organization, dedicated to researching, advocating, and mobilizing to end human rights abuses, will use Preservica's embedded Active Digital Preservation solution for Microsoft 365 to transform how it archives records in Microsoft SharePoint. Accesswire, Morningstar, Inc., 2025-03-06.

Human Rights Defenders and Activists

Worldwide: <u>Unveiling the Treasures of the ICRC Historical Archives: New Online Catalogue</u>. The International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) launches a comprehensive, searchable online catalogue of historical archives (1863-1975). This tool enhances accessibility, supports research, and promotes easier access to invaluable collections. cvogg, Cross-Files | ICRC Archives, audiovisual and library, 2025-03-05.

Humanitarian Aid

Sudan: Local lifelines: Enhancing information sharing and inclusion in Sudan. The local lifelines project aims to improve the humanitarian information ecosystem by supporting an enabling environment for greater localised humanitarian action in Sudan. CDAC Network, CDAC Network, 2025-03-31.

Worldwide: <u>Humanitarian data drought: The deeper damage wrought by US aid cuts</u>. Humanitarian data drought: The deeper damage wrought by US aid cuts - The New Humanitarian puts quality, independent journalism at the service of the millions of people affected by humanitarian crises around the world. Will Worley, The New Humanitarian, 2025-03-25.

Worldwide: <u>The data streams that underpin humanitarian response are about to collapse</u>. The data streams that underpin humanitarian response are about to collapse - The New Humanitarian puts quality, independent journalism at the service of the millions of people affected by humanitarian crises around the world. Abby Stoddard, Ron Waldman, Lars Peter Nissen, and Paul B. Spiegel, The New Humanitarian, 2025-03-10.

Worldwide: <u>The power of transparency: fighting disinformation and defending USAid</u>. As the political onslaught against USAID continues, transparency on aid spending is vital for holding truth to power. Forster, Gary, Bond | The international development network, 2025-03-14.

Indigenous Matters

United States of America: 'A slap in the face': activists reel as Trump administration removes crucial missing Indigenous peoples report. The Not Invisible Act Commission's resource was historic for Native Americans. It's now been scrubbed from federal websites. Walker, Adria R., The Guardian, 2025-03-20.

Israel-Gaza Crisis

Israel/Palestine (Permanent Observer to the United Nations): <u>Israeli military creating ChatGPT-like tool using vast collection of Palestinian surveillance data</u>. The powerful new AI model is designed to analyze intercepted communications – but experts say such systems can exacerbate biases and are prone to making mistakes. Davies, Harry; Abraham, Yuval, The Guardian, 2025-03-06.

Palestine (Permanent Observer to the United Nations)/South Korea: South Korea HD Hyundai machinery used in West Bank demolitions. HD Hyundai machinery has been widely used in demolitions of Palestinian-owned structures in the Occupied Palestinian Territory (OPT), according to new visual and testimonial evidence documented by Amnesty International Korea and local human rights groups. Amnesty International, Amnesty International, 2025-03-27.

Privacy

United States of America: <u>HHS grants DOGE access to child support database</u>, <u>overriding objections</u>. The decision came after resistance from career staff at the agency. Stein, Jeff; Diamond, Dan, The Washington Post, 2025-03-08.

United States of America: <u>Ice accessed car trackers in sanctuary cities that could help in raids</u>, <u>files show</u>. Westchester county has laws limiting cooperation, but Ice has accessed trove of data that holds license plate readers. Bhuiyan, Johana, The Guardian, 2025-03-11.

United States of America: <u>IRS nears deal with Ice to share data of undocumented immigrants</u>. Immigration officials could give names and addresses, raising concerns about Trump administration's abuse of power. Empson, Olivia, The Guardian, 2025-03-23.

United States of America: What happens to DNA data of millions as 23andMe files bankruptcy?. The bankruptcy of 23andMe is raising concerns about the future of its DNA information. Once a pioneer in the genetic testing industry, the company faced backlash after hackers leaked user data in 2023. Now, millions could see their genetic data dealt in a potential sale. Geoff Bennett, 2025-03-25.

Racism

South Africa: Four decades on, still no justice for South Africa's Apartheid-era atrocities. Victims of Apartheid-era atrocities are suing the South African government for damages over failing to prosecute those suspected of committing Apartheid-era crimes. The Truth and Reconciliation Commission identified some 300 suspects to be investigated for possible prosecution, but the vast majority were never pursued. France 24, France 24, 2025-03-09.

United States of America: <u>'Let's dig into the archives and tell the truth': interrogating Yale's connections to slavery</u>. Pulitzer prize winner David Blight follows his biography of Frederick Douglass with a deep dive into his university's dark past. Pengelly, Martin, The Guardian, 2025-03-04.

United States of America: <u>Brooklyn's fraught history with slavery is examined in a new exhibit</u>. With 10 archival files, Trace/s upends simplistic narratives about New York's history with enslavement. McFadden, Syreeta, The Guardian, 2025-03-03.

United States of America: Newly restored photos show the ruin of 'Bloody Sunday' in Selma on its 60th anniversary. James "Spider" Martin was assigned to photograph the protests in Alabama after civil rights activist Jimmie Lee Jackson was killed by state troopers. Ayana Archie, WYSO, 2025-03-08.

Technology

Syria: 'I hope this isn't for weapons': How Syrian data workers train AI. The development and training of AI systems depend on hundreds of millions of data workers. Many of them are situated or displaced from the global majority. UntoldMag, Global Voices, 2025-03-10.

Transparency

United States of America: <u>Iudge orders Elon Musk and Doge to produce records about cost-cutting operations</u>. The documents would ultimately inform whether Musk has been operating unconstitutionally to the extent Doge's activities should be halted. Lowell, Hugo, The Guardian, 2025-03-13.

Ukraine War

Ukraine: Norwegian research foundations develop new technology for studying war crimes against Ukraine. News and Press Release in English on Ukraine about Protection and Human Rights; published on 12 Mar 2025 by NRC. Norwegian Refugee Council, ReliefWeb, 2025-03-12.

Ukraine: With EU support UNESCO launches initiative to preserve the Jewish documentary heritage of Ukraine. UNESCO launches a new project aimed at preserving and promoting the rich documentary heritage of Jewish communities in Ukraine. The two-year initiative, funded by the EU, seeks to safeguard cultural and historical records, enhance accessibility to archival materials, and support at least ten memory. EEAS, Delegation of the European Union to Ukraine, 2025-03-18.

War Crimes

Bangladesh: <u>Preserving records of 'atrocities' by Hasina regime critical</u>. Bangladesh's interim government's Chief Adviser Muhammad Yunus has called for the "meticulous preservation" of

records documenting alleged "atrocities" committed under the administration of deposed prime minister Sheikh Hasina. Pioneer, The, The Pioneer, 2025-03-03.

Chile/United Kingdom: <u>38 Londres Street</u>: <u>On Impunity, Pinochet in England and a Nazi in</u>

<u>Patagonia by Philippe Sands review – war crimes revisited</u>. In the final part of a bravura trilogy detailing the struggle to bring war criminals to account, Sands tracks a former SS commander to Chile, where he found a friend in Augusto Pinochet. Anthony, Andrew, The Guardian, 2025-03-31.

Worldwide: <u>How social media is helping catch war criminals – video</u>. Kaamil Ahmed explains how the international legal system is adapting to social media, finding a way to use the digital material shared online to corroborate accounts of war crimes being committed in countries ranging from Ukraine to Sudan. Ahmed, Kaamil; Morresi, Elena; Glew, Steve; Assaf, Ali, The Guardian, 2025-03-13.

Women's Rights

Iran: <u>Drones, informers and apps: Iran intensifies surveillance on women to enforce hijab law</u>. Iranian police are using digital tools to identify and punish women who defy the Islamic state's harsh dress code. Parent, Deepa, The Guardian, 2025-03-24.

Iran: <u>Government continues systematic repression and escalates surveillance to crush dissent in the aftermath of protests</u>. Two and a half years after the "Woman, Life, Freedom" protests began in September 2022, the Government of Iran continues to ramp up efforts to restrict the rights of women and girls, and others demanding human rights as part of a concerted effort to crush dissent, the UN's Independent International Fact-Finding Mission on the Islamic Republic of Iran warned. OHCHR, OHCHR, 2025-03-14.

Worldwide: <u>Women in the World: Making the Invisible Visible with Crowdsourced Data</u>. Despite a push in the past ten years for more female representation and #MeToo movements highlighting the abuse that women have faced for centuries, women's struggles continue to remain invisible—dismissed, denied, and buried under patriarchal bureaucracy. ElsaMarie D'Silva; Julia Corvalán, Inter Press Service, 2025-03-11.

World War II

Europe: <u>As Children, They Fled the Nazis Alone. Newly Found Papers Tell Their Story</u>. Just under 10,000 Jewish children fled to Britain from Europe from December 1938 to September 1939. Not much was known about their journeys, until recently. Moses, Claire, The New York Times, 2025-03-19.

Europe: <u>Photographing the Final Days of World War II in Germany</u>. Archival images from the last weeks of World War II, taken by an American Army combat photographer during a push across eastern France into southern Germany. Taylor, Alan, The Atlantic, 2025-03-13.

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