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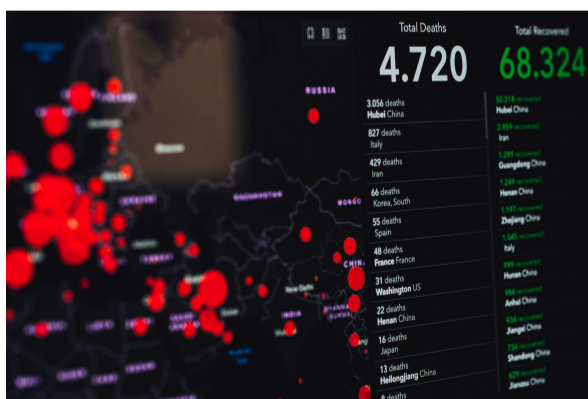


Sustainable Security Index

Oxford Research Group is proud to announce the launch of its Sustainable Security Index. It ranks 155 countries based on their contributions to global security and seeks to instigate a conversation around how to measure and change policies which exacerbate, rather than alleviate, the drivers of insecurity. This report explores the key themes and stories of the Index.

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Paul Rogers' Monthly Briefing



COVID-19 and the Emerging Global Picture

The global system is still barely five months into the COVID-19 pandemic and so it is difficult to draw general conclusions about the outbreak. But it is noticeable that certain countries have fared better than others in managing the spread of the virus. This briefing explores some of the possible reasons for this development.

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[Report Launch Webinar: Sustainable Security Index](#)

To mark the launch of the Sustainable Security Index, ORG will be hosting a special webinar. An expert panel, including Dr Rachel Kleinfeld, Delina Goxho and Dr Oliver Scanlan, will discuss the report's key themes and findings.

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[Emily Knowles Published in War on the Rocks](#)

Emily Knowles has co-authored a piece for War on the Rocks with Jahara Matisek. The article examines security force assistance and human rights training.

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Abigail Watson has published an article in the Agile Warrior newsletter. The article examines partnered operations and challenges the conventional wisdom

[for Peace in Somalia](#)

Abigail Watson, ORG's Research Manager, is joined by Mary Harper, the BBC's Africa Editor, to discuss the impact of COVID-19 on Somalia and how it may affect the prospects for peace in the country.

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Daniel Mahanty and Beatrice Godefroy of the Center for Civilians in Conflict join the podcast to discuss the protection of civilians in partnered operations.

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[WarPod Ep #15 | Foreign Military Assistance, Human Rights and Peacebuilding](#)

Emily Knowles, an ORG Fellow, and Jahara Matisek, a US Air Force officer, join Abigail Watson to discuss security force assistance and how it can be used as a peacebuilding tool.

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[Paul Rogers Discusses COVID-19 Pandemic on Below the Radar Podcast](#)

Paul Rogers, a Senior ORG Fellow, appeared on Simon Fraser University's Below the Radar Conversations to talk about COVID-19 and how it impacts geopolitics and

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