



DDE Newsletter No. 24

Articles ...

First Woman Director at MIT CSAIL: 'Want More Women In STEM? Inspire Them Early.' [Read more ...](#)

Immune response finding offers new hope in fight against COVID-19 – what are killer T cells?
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On 4 August 2020, a large explosion in the port area of Beirut ... 20 minutes of life and death in Beirut, a personal account [Read more ...](#)

A short video on the Beirut blast, its causes and its aftermath. [Watch ...](#)

40 years after the Gdansk agreements, the action continues (use Google to translate to English)
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'Culture is language': why an indigenous tongue is thriving in Paraguay. [Read more ...](#)

'World at Lunch ...

World-class, top-performing university is modern Exeter's single greatest asset. [Read more ...](#)

Intersectionality, not nationalism, is the way forward. Many are saying the normalization of Israeli-UAE relations demonstrates the failure of "Arab nationalism," but the intersectional struggle shows that solidarity transcends national boundaries. [Read more ...](#)

How Angela Merkel's great migrant gamble paid off. Five years ago, as more and more refugees crossed into Europe, Germany's chancellor proclaimed, 'We'll manage this.' Critics said it was her great mistake – but she has been proved right. [Read more ...](#)

Charity seeks judicial review on care home visit guidance [Read more ...](#)

Inner Mongolia protests at China's plans to bring in Mandarin-only lessons. Beijing plan to replace Mongolian language in some school subjects sparks fears of cultural assimilation. [Read more ...](#)

Xi says China to step up efforts to fight 'splittism' in Tibet. Chinese leader tells senior Communist Party officials that Beijing must plant 'seeds of loving China' among Tibetans. [Read more ...](#)

Things to do ...

Take One Action 2020 Festival 16th to 27th September takes place online. All the films and Q&As in our programme are fully subtitled. All live events and Q&As are free to attend. [Details ...](#)

Explore the Museum of Migration and look out for their events [Enjoy ...](#)

Local news ...

Exeter University alumni fund series of BAME scholarships. [Read more ...](#)

Ubuntu Counselling Services has obtained funding from Devon County Council and the National Lottery to provide a specially targeted service for BAME communities in Devon. [Read more ...](#)

The people who will help make Exeter's 2040 vision a reality. The Liveable Exeter Place Board aims to re-alise the Liveable Exeter Garden City programme of 12,000 new homes on brownfield sites and deliver the carbon neutral aim. [Read more ...](#)

Videos and podcasts ...

Qatar: Nature and development at a crossroads. Qatar has experienced rapid development since oil and natural gas were discovered in the Gulf nation in the early 1900s. But the Qatari coastline and its desert are also the sources of a different kind of natural wealth. [Watch ...](#)

Somalinimo: a love letter to Somali culture, blackness and Islam at Cambridge University. [Watch ...](#)

Netflix have a new series Bookmarks – Celebrating Black Voices. Celebrity readers share children's books by Black authors to spark kid-friendly conversations about empathy, equality, self-love and antiracism. [Watch the trailer ...](#)

Campaigns ...

National Trust sacking education officers 'will hit worst-off children'. Volunteers accuse charity of excluding deprived and minority ethnic schoolchildren. [Read more ...](#) [Petition ...](#) [Petition ...](#)

Luigi's letter to Oxford University and AstraZeneca. He's demanding they publish their secret deal and ensure big pharma monopolies don't stop affordable Covid-19 vaccines for all. [Watch ...](#) [Petition ...](#)

Poem ...

Holly McNish: Mathematics, a poem on immigration based on personal experience and studies. The poem owes a lot to a book by economist Philippe Legrain called Immigrants: Your Country Needs Them. [Watch ...](#)