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Newsletter #109

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Welcome to the issue #109 of our What Can You Do Weekly Newsletter!

We hope you enjoy reading the latest update on SDGs. Each week we give you a selection of *shocking facts as used in the original development of the SDGs* to share with family & friends, encouraging them to become more active and to join our community to “Save our World”!

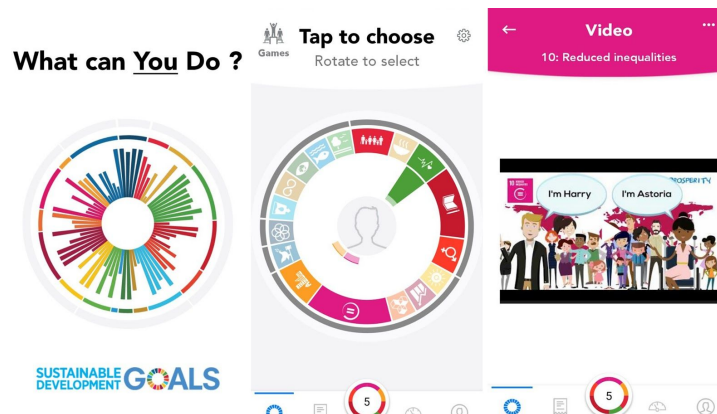
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# Interesting topics

- “A little shocking”: ocean currents are speeding up significantly, study finds. Learn more [here](#).
- Where’s winter? A number of countries just witnessed their warmest January ever recorded. [Follow the link](#) to find out more.
- World’s largest producer of toxic pesticide Chlorpyrifos ends its production. Check more [here](#).
- Should Nature be given rights enshrined in Law? Read more [here](#).
- 10 US oil refineries exceeding limits for cancer-causing benzene, [report finds](#).
- Antarctica logs hottest temperature on record with a reading of 18.3C. [Check the link](#) for more information.
- Why poverty is lower in Scotland - in seven charts. Check [here](#).
- U.S. industries are no longer liable for accidental bird deaths. At what cost? [Follow the link](#) to read the full version of the article.
- Pesticides are killing off the Andean Condor. Read more [here](#).
- Climate activist Greta Thunberg nominated for Nobel Peace Prize. Read more via the [link](#).
- 20 inspiring black women who are making history in 2020. [Check the link](#) for more information.
- 3 ways you can bring sustainability to your workplace. Read more [here](#).
- Almonds are out. Dairy is a disaster. So what milk should we drink? [Follow the link](#) to read more.
- 10 transformative charts from the past decade of development. Read more [here](#).

# Inspiration of the Week

## Global health challenges: how innovative collaboration is key to tackling diseases

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“Many people across the world are living longer, healthier lives than their predecessors. But – according to the [World Health Organization](#) – at least half of the global population of almost 8 billion people still do not have full access to essential health services. Every year, more than [200 million new cases of malaria](#) are reported. In 2018, [9.6 million people died of cancer](#) – one in every six global deaths, while 71% (around 41 million) of all deaths globally were due to non-communicable diseases.

“It is critical that innovation continues and needs to be encouraged – now more than ever,” says Komal Kalha, head of intellectual property and trade policy at IFPMA.”

**Source:**

<https://www.theguardian.com/global-health-progress/2020/jan/30/global-health-challenges-how-innovative-collaboration-is-key-to-tackling-diseases>

# Fact of the week

*(Please share with friends, family and work colleagues and encourage them to join our community and help create a safer, fairer world for all)*



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