# Webwatch

*In this edition Webwatch surveys the online resources on humanitarian WASH* 

## ReliefWeb

ReliefWeb is a source of timely, reliable and relevant humanitarian information and analysis, delivered accordingly through the user's preferred channel (RSS, e-mail, Twitter or Facebook). The disaster updates can be searched by theme, including 'water sanitation hygiene' to find more information specific to these topics.

http://reliefweb.int/home

#### Humanitarian reform

The humanitarian reform website (http://www.humanitarianreform.org) seeks to improve the effectiveness of humanitarian response by ensuring greater predictability, accountability, and partnership. As part of this, the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) cluster provides an open formal platform for all emergency WASH actors and presents many opportunities to bring the sector as a whole closer together in ensuring a predictable, effective, timely, and coherent WASH humanitarian response. It offers a range of resources and tools, and details of training.

http://www.humanitarianreform.org/humanitarianreform/ Default.aspx?tabid=76

#### OneResponse

Linked to the previous website, OneResponse is a collaborative inter-agency website designed to enhance humanitarian coordination within the cluster approach, and support the predictable exchange of information in emergencies at the country level. It includes country and disaster specific information, with specific disaster sites created within 24 hours, during the onset of a new emergency. This links through to the IASC Global Water Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Cluster.

http://oneresponse.info

#### redr

RedR has 27 years' experience of placing experienced water and sanitation engineers, and providing training in emergency situations. Its water, sanitation, and hygiene clusters pages include relevant news, stories, and published resources. Red R UK can also be found on facebook and twitter. Usual viedo material is available at RedR UK's firm channel at http://www.youtube.com/user/ RedRukfilms#p/u

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http://wwwredr.org.uk/en/ What\_We\_Do/areas\_of\_ expertise/Water\_and\_sanitation. cfm

### Washplus weekly

A recent issue of WASHplus Weekly contains 2010 and 2011 resources about water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) issues in disaster or emergency situations. Compiled by WASHplus, a five-year project funded through USAID's Bureau for Global Health, this is also available on facebook and twitter.

http://us2.campaign-archive2. com/?u=ed50820bda89f82414 98bf4db&id=f2cbdd580a&e=03 a7c6b499

# Oxfam Public Health in Emergencies

Oxfam is widely known for its public health work in emergencies. The rapid supply of clean water to populations displaced from their own homes is vital, and Oxfam has particular expertise in this area. Part of Oxfam's 'Conflict and Disasters' pages, the Public Health in Emergencies section offers more than 20 Technical Briefing Notes. It is also possible to subscribe to Oxfam's RSS feeds of the latest publications, blogs, and multimedia content from Oxfam Policy & Practice – Disasters Publications at http://policypractice.oxfam.org.uk/rss/ publications/subject/disasters. http://policy-practice.oxfam.org. uk/our-work/conflict-disasters/ public-health

# WEDC

WEDC's knowledge base contains hundreds of publications relating to humanitarian WASH. Once logged in, these can be accessed through a basic search of the catalogue, using keywords such as 'emergency', 'disaster', and 'humanitarian'. http://wedc.lboro.ac.uk/ knowledge/know.html