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### Times Higher Education Releases its 2021 Ranking: Growing like weeds

This is a quick overview of THE World University Rankings 2021, Asian-related issues from the rankings, and “Best” Small Universities.

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### Resource: Accelerating education for the SDGs in universities

A new guide from the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) that aims to help universities, colleges, and tertiary and higher education institutions implement and mainstream this “Education for the SDGs” within their institutions.

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### China: Chinese Academy of Sciences launches research center of big data for SDGs

China will set up an International Research Center of Big Data for SDGs to facilitate the implementation of the UN 2030 Agenda. The Center will be the first-ever research agency focusing on the UN SDGs through big data science, with an aim to build a big data technology platform and research center in support of the SDG implementation.

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### ALA resource site assists libraries with UN Sustainable Development Goals

ALA's Task Force on the United Nations 2030 SDGs has updated its website with new resources to help libraries highlight their efforts to help their communities to end hunger; ensure gender equality; provide quality education; and encourage sustainable practices.

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### Facing COVID-19 at Hong Kong libraries

With the experiences accumulated from SARS in 2003, Hong Kong academic libraries, public libraries and school libraries were more wellprepared to face the challenge of suspension due to COVID-19 pandemic. In the hard time of Covid-19, the situation has left schools continually developing or improving their eLearning capability.

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### New Zealand: National Library's answers on rehoming its overseas published collections

The National Library of New Zealand is halfway through a project to review and rehome 600,000 books from its overseas published collections, and questions are raised from the public. Bill Macnaught, New Zealand's National Librarian, answers to some of them.

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