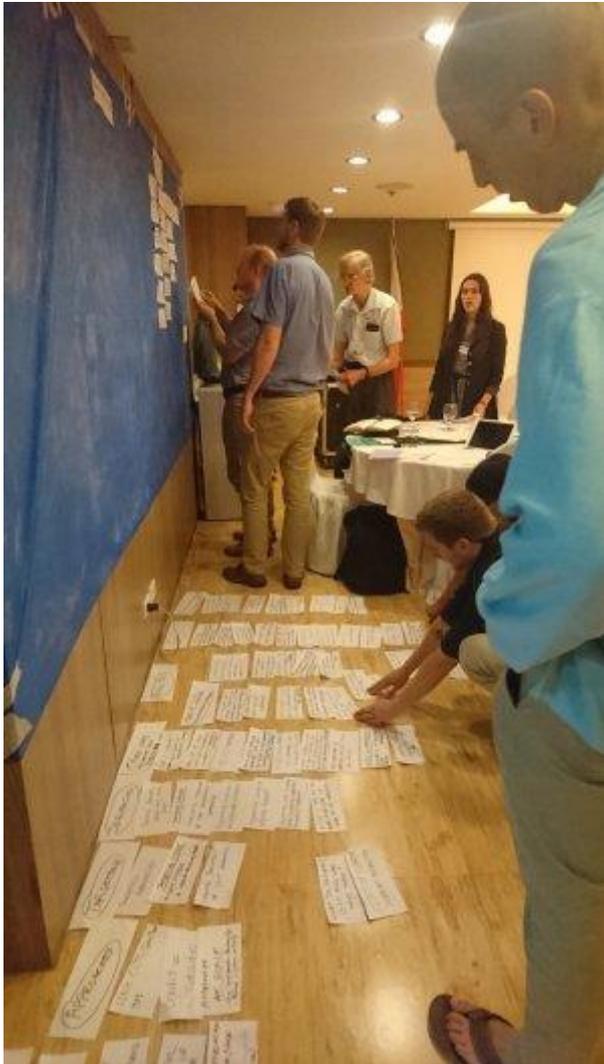


Dear friends and colleagues in CLTS and WASH,

a short June update from us here at the Hub. We hope that the resources highlighted below will be of interest and use to you. Please share your feedback as well as your own resources, insights and questions with us via email clts@ids.ac.uk

Supporting the most vulnerable to access sanitation: outputs from a thematic workshop



Since its conception in 1999, CLTS has spread to over 60 countries and resulted in millions of people across the world living in ODF communities. The approach was a departure from subsidy-driven sanitation programming which often led to uneven adoption and only partial use. CLTS enabled communities to own the process and collectively work towards becoming ODF. However, since its implementation at scale a number of challenges have appeared. Emerging evidence is suggesting a need to better support the most disadvantaged with accessible and sustainable sanitation facilities.

Asia Region Thematic Workshop

Between the 24-28 May 2017, the CLTS Knowledge Hub and UNICEF convened an Asia-region workshop on this topic in the Philippines. There are several planned outputs from this event. To date, a [Learning Brief on Supporting the least able throughout and beyond CLTS](#) has been published. Several longer publications are currently being finalised.

You can also read more about the discussions that took place at the Philippines workshop in these **blogs by Andy Robinson and Sarah House**:

Andy Robinson: Supporting the least able in sanitation improvement [Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#)

Sarah House: [Untangling complexity: How do we ensure we effectively reach, support and involve the most disadvantaged?](#) And ['Nothing about us without us!': the Philippines' approach to Zero Open Defecation](#)

Health and Hygiene throughout the Life Course



During the World Health Assembly 2017, the Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council (WSSCC), SCA, Government of Kenya and WaterAid came together to share approaches to ensure good hygiene and health practices and to raise standards across the life course, from childhood to adolescence, from motherhood to menopause, to old age and responding to disabilities. The session took place in the morning on 24 May 2017 at the Intercontinental Hotel in Geneva, and was attended by more than 40 international delegates from UN agencies, private sector, member states, NGOs and academia. [Read more and download the report here](#)

New resources on sanitation, nutrition and stunting



In recent years, more and more evidence has shown that sanitation, child nutrition and development are inextricably linked. Lack of adequate sanitation and hygiene can lead to many debilitating childhood illnesses, chronic malnutrition, stunting and death.

Two new reviews analyse data in this area:

[**The impact of sanitation on infectious disease and nutritional status: A systematic review and meta-analysis**](#) by Freeman et al which appeared in the International Journal of Hygiene and Environmental Health on 31st May 2017 undertook systematic reviews and meta-analyses to compile the most recent evidence on the impact of sanitation on diarrhea, soil-transmitted helminth (STH) infections, trachoma, schistosomiasis, and nutritional status assessed using anthropometry.

[**An individual-level meta-analysis assessing the impact of community-level sanitation access on child stunting, anemia, and diarrhea**](#) published by Larsen et al in PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases, 8th June 2017, shares a meta-analysis of cross-sectional surveys to determine the impact that community-level sanitation access has on child health for children with and without household sanitation access.

CLTS Knowledge Hub activities at WEDC 2017



The 40th international WEDC Conference takes place from the to the 24-28th July 2017 in Loughborough, UK.

The CLTS Knowledge Hub will be there, offering a variety of activities, including:

- *Sunday 23rd July 9.30-17.00 at Burleigh Court, **CLTS Sharing and Learning Workshop***: The CLTS Knowledge Hub (IDS, UK) invites those who will be attending the WEDC conference and anyone interested in CLTS to join us for this opportunity to exchange experiences, discuss ideas, challenges, innovations etc and to network. The workshop is free of charge and will include coffee breaks and lunch. Further details will be sent to registered participants nearer the time. Please register by sending your name, organisation, job title and country to Stacey Townsend: S.Townsend@ids.ac.uk
- *Monday 24th July, evening side session, **Revisiting Subsidies: Supporting the poorest in CLTS***: Recent studies have highlighted issues of sustainability and inclusion that raise questions about the strong position against subsidies associated with CLTS. This side event will share workshop discussions, highlighting innovations, challenges and opportunities of integrating support for the poorest with CLTS programming at scale from a recent workshop convened by the CLTS Knowledge Hub and UNICEF. It will be a highly interactive event, asking participants to share their own experiences, knowledge and views.
- *Throughout, **CLTS Knowledge Hub stall*** with publications and time to meet and chat with Hub staff and other people throughout the conference

We hope to see some familiar faces, meet some new ones and learn from you about your work through chats, paper presentations and at the Sharing and Learning workshop.
