

All-Partners Access Network. *Access:* <https://community.apan.org/>.

Established in 2001 as the Asia Pacific Network, the All-Partners Access Network (APAN) is a Department of Defense (DOD) platform that is designed to share information for humanitarian assistance and disaster relief. The site hosts several private communities that support the exchange of unclassified information during a disaster event. The purpose is to expedite the flow of information so that non-DOD entities like nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and other groups can assist with humanitarian support. Other hosted groups plan and participate in training exercises, conferences, and sharing documents regarding foreign relations and military theory.

APAN uses a combination of Telligent software and Microsoft SharePoint to host these online social communities. During major disasters, users request to create a social community where information sharing can expedite rescue efforts. APAN cites instances where local businesses have been able to assist relief efforts by loaning medical equipment. Access to APAN requires a free account attached to a valid email; however, gaining access to the correspondence and interactions within the individual social communities requires approval by the owner of those communities. This reviewer was not given access to any of the private groups despite requests made.

There are areas within this resource where blogs and documents are made accessible to account holders but locating them seems to be more of a serendipitous outcome rather than the product of a well-executed search. Much of the language a user will encounter is technical and exclusive to those that exhibit a high level of experience in military and disaster response (there are many instances of the use of acronyms without further explanation). This level of expertise may make APAN a successful conveyor of critical information between government and civilian entities during disaster recovery but could make browsing confusing for those with little experience in military disaster assistance.

Some users may find the COVID-19 live map powered by Esri's GIS software useful. As an academic resource, much of the written content will still need vetting as it often seems to come from unreviewed resources. The usefulness of this site exists in its ability to assist humanitarian efforts much more than its capacity to provide research assistance. While the strengths of APAN are not designed for academia, some of the blog and article posts could be useful for research in military history and public administration. Direct linking to the site is not recommended, but this could be a useful resource to have in your repertoire. —*Christopher M. Hulsman, SUNY Buffalo State College, hulsmacm@buffalostate.edu*

International Union for Conservation of Nature. *Access:* <https://www.iucn.org>.

Since it was first established in 1948, the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) has grown into a global authority and leader among conservation groups. It boasts more than 160 participating countries and more than 1,400 member organizations. IUCN provides a neutral space where research and analysis can be collected and disseminated to help guide policy reform for environmental and conservation efforts. Every four years the

IUCN convenes a World Conservation Congress where many of its more than 15,000 volunteer expert members meet to agree upon the direction of future conservation efforts.

“Nature 2030” is a featured resource that outlines the IUCN’s long-term vision of focusing on people, land, water, oceans, and climate. Current IUCN-funded projects can be viewed in the “Open Project Portal” from the main navigation menu under “Our Work.” The portal transparently lists the financial flow from “income to impact,” includes a map of current projects, overall budget, expenditures, major donors, etc. It also includes a list of 15 areas of focus that include “Business and Biodiversity,” “Marine and Polar,” “Nature-based Solutions,” “Species,” “Water,” “World Heritage,” and more. Information throughout the site can be accessed through these common themes.

Also under “Our Work” in the main navigation bar is a list of conservation themes and regions where current projects are conducted or where there is important news. This is where the bulk of the useful IUCN information can be quickly accessed. The links under “Regions” take viewers to featured content that include current stories, news, blog posts, and a map of the area. Further down the page is the regional office news and resources, which provide yet another way to access information through dropdown menus for type [of news], country, [conservation] theme, and topic. The topic of climate change, for example, yields more than 1,500 items.

The “Resources” link includes all IUCN publications, resources, and “Conservation Tools.” Note that “Conservation Tools” offers a vast collection of various publications, policy statements and briefs, factsheets, position papers, webinars, infographics, multimedia resources, and other useful resources for conservationists and researchers. There is a helpful link to the IUCN Library with a ton of additional resources. Biology students and all those interested in conservation will find the IUCN site useful.—*John Repplinger, Willamette University, jrepplin@willamette.edu*

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