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From the editors

We had not expected to be publishing yet another issue of FMR under COVID-19 restrictions – and to be welcoming new Co-Editor Alice Philip to the team without even being able to meet in person! But thanks to the collaboration of our authors and donors, we are pleased to be able to present the latest issue with its three features.

The main feature on **Mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS)** seems particularly timely during the current pandemic when the mental health impacts of displacement are distressingly compounded by the impact of COVID-19. The 15 articles in this feature explore the importance of MHPSS and the challenges inherent in this field, debate MHPSS initiatives and their application in different contexts, and advocate for strengthened collaboration and commitment – and new ways of thinking.

The authors in our **Data and displacement** feature discuss recent advances in gathering and using data, the challenges that remain, and new approaches, including in the face of pandemic-imposed restrictions.

Unknown numbers of migrants die or disappear during their perilous journeys, and their families are often left in limbo. In our **Missing migrants** feature, authors explore initiatives to improve data gathering and sharing, identification of remains, and assistance for families left behind.

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This magazine and the accompanying Editors' briefing are available online and in print at www.fmreview.org/issue66. They will also be available in Arabic and Spanish. Unfortunately, shortage of funding means we are unable to publish this issue in French.

Forthcoming: Our next issue will include a major feature on Public health and WASH, and a shorter feature on Non-signatory States and the international refugee regime. See **www.fmreview.org/forthcoming**.

With best wishes

Marion Couldrey and Alice Philip Editors, Forced Migration Review



Front cover image:

Rose Sakouma holds hands with another member of the Women Standing association in Begoua, Central African Republic. When attacks began in her area, she escaped with her daughters and grandchildren: "I was traumatised, seeing killings, bullets and machetes, heads cut off and people strangled. My husband was killed while escaping. Without Women Standing, I wouldn't be alive today. When we meet, we reassure each other."

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