Welcome to D+ September 2016 Newsletter. It is the thirty-third edition of the D+ Newsletter compiled with some of the news published in September 2016 on D+.

Less than a month to go till D+ announces the list of World’s Most Positive Countries (WMPC) for 2016. WMPC’16 will recognize 10 overall and 5 regional most positive countries for 2016.

You can have your say and help select the positive countries at http://www.dailypositive.org/Most_Positive_Countries. Vote for your positive country today and help it win on 1 November 2016 when we reveal the final list.

D+ will also present the winners at a ceremony on 25 November 2016 at the University of Melbourne. Book the date in your diary for an amazing evening with lots of surprises. The ceremony is FREE to attend and you can express your interest at info@dailypositive.org. Also follow us on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/dailypositive.

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Top News Of The Month

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D+ News: September 2016

- Prime Minister of Bangladesh Sheikh Hasina was recognized with the UN-women Agent of Change Award for her outstanding contributions to women empowerment.
- Belgian director Fien Troch won the Orizzonti Award for Best Director for her film HOME at the 73rd Venice Film Festival.
- The 2016 Summer Paralympic was inaugurated in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Rio became the first South American city to host the Summer Paralympic.
- Canada defeated Team Europe 2-1 in the second game of a best-of-three finals to win the Ice Hockey World Cup 2-0.
- China unveiled world’s largest single-dish radio telescope Five Hundred Metre Aperture Spherical Telescope (Fast). The 500m (1,640ft) represents a leap forward for China’s astronomical capabilities.
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- Ethiopian long-distance runner Kenenisa Bekele established himself as the second fastest marathon runner ever, winning the BMW Berlin-Marathon with a time of 2:03:03.
- France became the first country in the world to ban plastic cups, plates and cutlery that aren’t made from biologically sourced materials.
- Angelique Kerber of Germany won the 2016 US Open women’s tennis grand slam title, beating Karolina Pliskova 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 in the women’s singles final at Flushing Meadows.
- Four Italian recipients were honored with the 2016 European Citizen’s Prize by the European Parliament for their exceptional achievements with their respective initiatives.
- The government of Kenya announced a significant commitment to restore 5.1 million hectares of degraded and deforested landscapes by 2030.
- Amir of Kuwait His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah was recognized as the Humanitarian Leader by the United Nations for his support to the UN’s humanitarian works.
- Laura Skutana from Latvia won the global championship of Miss All Nations World Final Beauty Contest in China.
- Global news agency Agence France-Presse (AFP) opened a bureau in the North Korean capital Pyongyang.
- The Romanian flag was raised in front of CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research, for the first time, marking the country’s accession to membership of the organization.
- In a remarkable public health achievement, Sri Lanka was certified by World Health Organization (WHO) on having eliminated malaria, a life-threatening disease which long affected the island country.