



Dear SVRI List Members

This SVRI Update contains a variety of sexual violence related research and resources. If you would like to have your sexual violence related resources included in the Update, please send your materials to svri@mrc.ac.za. For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit www.svri.org. Please note that the SVRI Updates are also available on our [Facebook](#) page.

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I. SVRI Forum 2015: Programme

The SVRI Forum 2015 programme is now available online! Please visit our programme page to download a copy: <http://www.svri.org/forum2015/glance.htm>

If you are unable to attend the Forum this year, please follow our social media platforms for updates on sessions, special events and more – simply search the hashtag **#SVRIForum2015** on Twitter and Facebook to connect!

II. SVRI members' requests

ANROWS 2015 Annual Stakeholder Survey The purpose of the ANROWS survey is two-fold. Firstly it is to evaluate ANROWS's current publications, services, and stakeholder and communication strategies. Secondly it offers opportunity for comments and suggestions to guide the continuing evolution of these services, products and strategies to ensure they are focused according to our stakeholders' needs and expectations. The information you provide in this survey is anonymous, private and confidential. ANROWS very much

appreciate the 10-15 minutes of your time it will take to complete this survey thoughtfully. Your views are important to us and the survey helps assess how they are performing and identify ways to improve the delivery of products and services. Please access the survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LPVT6M6>. [Source: ANROWS].

III. Journal articles

[Sexual offenses among children in the north of Jordan: an exploratory study. Shotar A.M, Alzyoud S, Oweis A, Alhawamdeh K.A, Khoshnood K. J. Child Sex. Abuse, 24\(5\): 538-554, 2015](#): There are no reported studies regarding sexual violence among children in Jordan. Therefore, this study aims to exa [Source: SafetyLit].

[Childhood physical maltreatment and young adult dating violence: A propensity matching approach. Tomsich E, Jennings W.G, Richards T.N, Gover A.R, Powers R.A. J. Interpers. Violence, ePub, 2015](#): The current research applies a quasi-experimental propensity score matching approach to a large sample of young adults to isolate the causal effect of childhood physical maltreatment on dating violence perpetration and victimization. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Child sexual abuse, sexual anxiety, and sexual satisfaction: The role of self-capacities. Bigras N, Godbout N, Briere J. J. Child Sex. Abuse, 24\(5\): 464-483, 2015](#): This study examines the role of altered self-capacities in mediating the relationship between child sexual abuse and sexual responses. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Early childhood maltreatment and girls' sexual behavior: The mediating role of pubertal timing. Ryan R.M, Mendle J, Markowitz A.J. J. Adolesc. Health, 57\(3\): 342-347, 2015](#): This article examines whether physical abuse, sexual abuse, and physical neglect in early childhood differentially predict girls' age at first intercourse and number of sexual partners in early adulthood. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Circumstances leading to intimate partner violence against women married as children: A qualitative study in urban slums of Lahore, Pakistan. Nasrullah M, Zakar R, Zakar M.Z, Abbas S, Safdar R. BMC Int. Health Hum. Rights, 15\(1\): e23, 2015](#): This article describes the types and circumstances of intimate partner violence against women who were married as children in urban slums of Lahore, Pakistan. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Improving the credibility of child sexual assault victims in court: the impact of a sexual assault nurse examiner. Golding J.M, Wasarhaley N.E, Lynch K.R, Lippert A, Magyarics C.L. Behav. Sci. Law, 33\(4\): 493-507, 2015](#): This article investigates the influence of a sexual assault nurse examiner's (SANE's) testimony on mock juror perceptions of a child or adolescent victim of child sexual assault. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Experts in rape: Evaluating the evidence for a novice-to-expert continuum in the offense behavior and cognition of sexual offenders - Ó Ciardha C. Aggress. Violent Behav, 20: 26-32, 2015](#): A growing body of research on the behavioral and cognitive impact of expertise suggests that it is timely to revisit the question of whether individuals can become expert at

rape. This review summarizes the key points in Ward's theory and evaluates the scant research that could lend it support. [Source: SafetyLit].

Please note, to obtain a full copy of a journal article you may write to the author given as the contact person by the respective publishing house to request a copy.

IV. Online publications and resources

[The role of the state in addressing sexual violence: Assessing policing service delivery challenges faced by victims of sexual offences. Watson J. APCOF Policy Paper 13, 2015](#): The focus of this policy paper will be to look at the role of the state in addressing sexual violence in public and private spaces. [Source: Author].

[Intimate partner violence and family planning: Opportunities for action. Population Reference Bureau, 2015](#): This brief presents data to help policymakers and others understand the nature and extent of the harm caused by IPV, especially as it relates to women's reproductive health, family planning, and autonomy, and highlights opportunities for action. [Source: PRB].

V. Funding and research opportunities

[Funding opportunity: The Replication Window](#). This initiative funds internal replication studies of impact evaluations of development interventions. This funding mechanism aims to increase the incentives for conducting replication and to improve the quality of evidence available for programme and policy design. To this end, the Replication Window funds researchers to conduct replication studies, quality assures those studies, and promotes good practices around communication and data availability. Accepted replications are eligible for publication in the Replication Paper Series. [Source: World Bank Group].

[Reminder - Funding opportunity: FRIDA - The Young Feminist Fund](#). This is the only youth-led fund focused exclusively on supporting global young feminist activism to advance social justice movements and agendas. FRIDA is excited to be launching a forth call for proposals and intend to support up to 30 new young feminist groups led by young women and trans youth under 30 years of age. Applications close: 14 September 2015. [Source: WUNRN].

[Funding link: AWID donor list](#). This tool is intended to be a dynamic list which will be refined and expanded through conversations between funders, feminist and women's rights organizations, and activists. [Source: MenEngage Connect].

VI. News

[Haiti: "Every single case we saw was complicated, and touching and difficult and emotional", MSF, 2 September 2015](#): Dr Lisa Searle from Tasmania has recently returned from Haiti where she was setting up a new sexual violence clinic in Port-Au-Prince.

[Sexual violence in schools a 'countrywide issue', New Zealand Herald, 2 September 2015:](#)

An anti-sexual violence campaigner says every high school in New Zealand sees sexual violence, whether school management is aware of it or not.

[Men who buy sex are more prone to sexual violence, study says, Time, 1 September 2015:](#)

Men who buy sex are more prone to sexual coercion and are more likely to report a history of sexual violence, according to a new study.

[Winning women a greater say in Somaliland's policy-making, Inter Press Service News Agency, 27 August 2015:](#)

Bar Seed is the only female member in Somaliland's 82-person Parliament, but activists hope upcoming national elections may end her isolation. Gender equality advocates in the self-declared nation are currently renewing a push for a quota for women in government that has been over a decade in the making.

VII. Advocacy and awareness raising

[Twitter chat: Who can fund our women's rights organizing?](#) AWID is hosting an all-day Twitter chat to open up a dialogue about our newly launched tool – a searchable list of donors who fund women's rights organizing. Search for the hashtag #FundHer to see the discussions.

[Call for blogs: Young feminist advocates and the Post 2015 Development Framework.](#) Are you a young feminist advocate? Have you or your organization engaged with the Post 2015 Development Agenda? Share your stories and experiences with Young Feminist Activism Program (YFA)! Following two years of consultations and intense negotiations, governments will formally adopt the post-2015 development agenda at the United Nations General Assembly this September. In light of the upcoming UN General Assembly, the YFA Program at AWID is looking to feature the stories and experiences of young feminist advocates who have engaged with the development of the Post 2015 Agenda. Submission deadline is 9 September 2015. [Source: AWID].

VIII. Events

[Webinar: Going beyond the individual - The evidence supporting multilevel adolescent dating abuse prevention, 21 September 2015.](#) The American Journal of Preventive Medicine has recently released a special issue titled "Beyond the Individual: Family, Neighborhood, and State-level Influences on Dating Violence examining approaches to adolescent dating abuse prevention at the community, neighborhood, and societal levels." In this web conference, authors of three of the articles in that issue will share the findings of their work and explore implications for prevention practice. Join this conversation to examine how research contributes to improving prevention practice. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

[Training course: Using a power analysis to prevent violence against women, 13 – 15 October 2015, Harare, Zimbabwe.](#) Raising Voices and CEDOVIP, with support of Musasa, are calling for applications from INGOs, NGOs and CBOs, etc. who are interested in strengthening their VAW Prevention programs. In this course you will explore the concept of

power as both a positive and negative force. Integrate the concepts of power in your VAW prevention efforts to help focus on the root cause of violence against women and ensure a more lasting impact. The course comes with Technical Assistance to support partners to integrate what is learned into current programming. Closing date for applications: 14 September 2015. Please note that space is limited and demand is high – only complete applications will be accepted. For any questions please contact learningcenter@raisingvoices.org. [Source: Raising Voices].

For more events visit: <http://www.svri.org/calendar.htm>

IX. Vacancies

[Legal Research Consultant](#) / International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission / New York, USA / Closing date: 5 September 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Legal Research Consultant](#) / EMPOWER Wits RHI / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: 7 September 2015. [Source: WRHI].

[Research Assistant](#) / EMPOWER Wits RHI / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: 7 September 2015. [Source: WRHI].

[Gender consultant - Rural Development](#) / The Aga Khan Foundation / Lindi and Mtwara Regions, southern Tanzania / Closing date: 8 September 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender Project Manager](#) / Oxfam / Oxford, UK / Closing date: 11 September 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender and Resilience Adviser](#) / Oxfam / Oxford, UK / Closing date: 11 September 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Research and Policy Associate](#) / AIDS-Free World / USA / Closing date: 11 September 2015. [Source: AIDS-Free World].

[Technical Advisor, Women's Protection and Empowerment](#) / International Rescue Committee / New York, USA / Closing date: 1 October 2015. [Source: IRC].

[Senior Adviser - 9 month Contract](#) / Girls Not Brides / London, UK / Closing date: 10 October 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender Advisor](#) / Gender Resources Inc. Location: Kenya | Organization: | Deadline: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Senior Technical Director](#) / International Rescue Committee / New York, Washington DC, USA or London, UK / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Regional Director](#) / Location: New York, USA | Organization: IPPF Western Hemisphere |
Deadline: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[ENGAGE Internship](#) / Location: New York, USA | Organization: Girl Rising | Deadline: Open
until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Sexual violence is a global issue that requires coordinated evidence-based responses.

The Sexual Violence Research Initiative is hosted by the Medical Research Council, South Africa. The SVRI aims to promote research on sexual violence and generate empirical data to ensure sexual violence is recognized as a priority public health problem. To learn more about the SVRI visit our website www.svri.org or contact us at svri@mrc.ac.za

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