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Today's SVRI Update includes the following: [Summaries directly taken or adapted from source]

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I. New from the SVRI!

[Guidelines for the prevention and management of vicarious trauma among researchers of sexual and intimate partner violence. Sexual Violence Research Initiative, 2015:](#) These guidelines outline recommendations for the prevention of, and response to, vicarious trauma in researchers working in the field of sexual and intimate partner violence but can also be of use and relevance to those researching other sensitive topics including other forms of gender based violence.

II. Journal articles

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.

[Special issue: Child sexual exploitation. Safer Communities, 14\(1\), 2015:](#) This Special Edition notes the importance of the young person's voice: of listening to the child or young person to gain an understanding of how they understand and experience their communities surrounding them. Critical to this is the meaningful engagement of children and young

people in the design and evaluation of our preventative and responsive initiatives. [Source: University of Bedfordshire].

[**A calculated risk: Systematic review and metaanalysis of the conditional risk for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder \(PTSD\) in the Brazilian general population. Luz M, Berger W, Figueira I, Coutinho E.S.F, Mendlowicz M. European Psychiatry, 30\(1\): 28–31, 2015**](#): This article summarises data on conditional risk for PTSD in the general population through a systematic review and metaanalysis. [Source: ScienceDirect].

[**Loneliness under assault: Understanding the impact of sexual assault on the relation between loneliness and suicidal risk in college students. Chang E.C, Lian X, Yu T, Qu J, Zhang B, Jia W, Hu Q, Li J, Wu J, Hirsch J.K. Pers. Individ. Dif, 72: 155-159, 2015**](#): This article explores how loneliness and sexual assault are involved in predicting suicidal risk (viz., hopelessness & suicide probability) in a sample of 334 college students. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**The effect of child sexual abuse on men: Toward a male sensitive measure. O'Leary P, Easton S.D, Gould N. J. Interpers. Violence, ePub, 2015**](#): This article explores gender-specific outcomes and describes the development of a scale to measure the effects of child sexual abuse on men. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**Intimate partner violence and risky sexual behaviours among Iranian women with substance use disorders. Merghati-Khoei E, Rimaz S, Korte J.E, Back S.E, Brady K.T, Abad M, Shamsalizadeh N. Med. J. Islam. Repub. Iran, 29: 174, 2015**](#): This article investigates the association of intimate partner violence and risky sexual behaviours among drug-using women in Iran. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**Prevalence and predictors of sexual violence among commercial sex workers in Northern Ethiopia. Alemayehu M, Yohannes G, Damte A, Fantahun A, Gebrekirstos K, Tsegay R, Goldberger A, Yebyo H. Reprod. Health. 12\(1\): 47, 2015**](#): This article describes the prevalence and character of sexual violence, as well as any risk factors for violence, experienced by commercial sex workers in Mekelle City, Northern Ethiopia. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**Pregnancy intendedness and the association with physical, sexual and emotional abuse – A European multi-country cross-sectional study. Lukasse M, Laanpere M, Karro H, Kristjansdottir H, Schroll A.M, Van Parys A.S, Wangel A.M, Schei B. BMC Pregnancy Childbirth, 15\(1\): e120, 2015**](#): This article presents the prevalence of unintended pregnancy in six European countries among pregnant women attending routine antenatal care, and to investigate the association with a history of physical, sexual and emotional abuse. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**The impact of the bystander's relationship with the victim and the perpetrator on intent to help in situations involving sexual violence. Bennett S, Banyard V.L, Edwards K.M. J. Interpers. Violence, ePub, 2015**](#): This study uses vignettes to experimentally manipulate the bystander's relationship to the victim, and the bystander's relationship to the perpetrator to

examine how these factors impact intent to help in low and high severity situations of sexual violence. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Survivors on campus: A dialogue about sexual assault. Gray-Rosendale L and Dierking K. The NEA Higher Education Journal, Thought and Action, Fall 2014:](#) This article aims to contribute to a public dialogue about sexual assault that recognizes the human cost (and courage) behind the reports and statistics. [Source: Guttmacher Institute].

III. Online publications and resources

[Prevalence of sexual violence against children and use of social services — Seven countries, 2007–2013. CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report \(MMWR\), 64\(21\): 565-569, 2015:](#) This report highlights data on global sexual violence against children collected from the Violence against Children Surveys (VACS). The VACS data show that sexual violence against children is a significant problem in many low- and middle-income countries. [Source: CDC].

[School-related gender-based violence: A global review of current issues and approaches in policy, programming and implementation responses to school-related gender-based violence \(SRGBV\) for the education sector. Leach F, Dunne M and Salvi F. Background research paper prepared for UNESCO, 2014](#) (pdf): This review seeks to advance our knowledge and learning in this field, both in terms of what we know about the phenomenon and its impact on individuals, and on how best to address it, including through education. [Source: WUNRN].

[Community-based child abuse prevention: Exemplary practices. FRIENDS National Resource Center for Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention, 2014:](#) This guide highlights CBCAP programs from 16 States that achieved exemplary innovation and leadership in eight key categories. [Source: Child Welfare Information Gateway].

IV. Websites

[WINNET Europe:](#) This European Association of Women Resource Centres, was formed in 2006 by national, regional and local Women Resource Centres (WRCs). It is a collaborative effort among national, federal / regional and local organisations in EU Member States, to support and reinforce the activities of resource centres for women and or other similar women organisations. [Source: WUNRN].

V. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Request for proposals: Operational evaluation of UNICEF gender-based violence in emergencies programming in 3-5 countries - Whole-of-programme evaluation.](#) The purpose of the evaluation is twofold: 1). to capitalize on the experience and lessons from across UNICEF COs, programmes and interventions to produce evidence-based technical and programming materials for the UNICEF GBViE Programme Resource Pack, and 2). To simultaneously provide COs with real time (immediate) feedback on humanitarian response

to GBV which will help to foster learning and support fundraising and programme development/improvement/revision for the countries involved. Submissions close: 26 June 2015. [Source: UNICEF].

[Request for proposals: Operational evaluation of UNICEF gender-based violence in emergencies programming in 3-5 countries - Intervention-specific evaluation](#). The purpose of the intervention review is to explore effectiveness of 3-5 UNICEF interventions as strategies for reducing children and women's risk of GBV and for promoting their safety, dignity and empowerment in order to inform development of guidance and tools for the UNICEF GBViE Programme Resource Pack and to support continuous improvement of GBV interventions in participating countries. Submissions close: 26 June 2015. [Source: UNICEF].

VI. News

[Dresses on washing lines pay tribute to Kosovo survivors of sexual violence, The Guardian, 11 June 2015](#): A conceptual artist is transforming a football pitch in Kosovo into a giant art installation, with thousands of dresses hung on washing lines in a powerful and poignant tribute to survivors of sexual violence.

[Canada's lost women, Al Jazeera English, 10 June 2015](#): Canada's aboriginal women make up a small fraction of its population, yet for decades they have suffered disproportionately from abuse, exploitation and murder.

[Pope OKs reforms targeting pedophilia, rape, Washington Times, 10 June 2015](#): Bishop accountability in the mishandling of abuse cases and abuse allegations were key themes in the Vatican's latest round of meetings on Curial reform, which also addressed the reform of Vatican media and finances.

[UN: Sexual violence in conflict a 'moral crisis globally', BBC Radio, 9 June 2015](#): The United Nations has called the epidemic of rape and sexual abuse in areas experiencing conflict a "moral crisis globally". Zainab Bangura, the UN's Special Representative on Sexual Violence, said the stories she heard from victims in areas of Syria and Iraq held by ISIS were harrowing and took a personal toll on her despite years of experience of war.

VII. Events

[Falling between the cracks: Abuse and violence against older women. Marking World Elder Abuse Awareness Day – 10 years on. Human Rights Council 29th session, side event, 15 June 2015, Geneva, Switzerland](#) (pdf). This side event will present the common features of elder abuse with other types of interpersonal violence and the specificities of violence against older women. Policies, programmes, gaps and good practices from various regions will be discussed. For more details, please contact: ngoageing@gmail.com. [Source: Geneva NGO Committee on Ageing].

[Young people affected by sexual violence as change-makers in prevention efforts: What are the opportunities and what are the risks? 28 September 2015, Berkshire, United](#)

Kingdom. This inter-institutional, inter-disciplinary one day colloquium will explore and reflect on the potential benefits, risks and opportunities of involving young people affected by sexual violence in efforts to prevent sexual violence. Register online. [Source: University of Bedfordshire].

VIII. Vacancies

Speakers Bureau Manager / Peace is Loud / New York, USA / Closing date: 19 June 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Volunteer Translators / New York City Alliance Against Sexual Assault (ARISE) / Home-based / Closing date: 20 June 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Team Leader - Adolescent Girls Programme / Social Development Direct / Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of the Congo / Closing date: 21 June 2015. [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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