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#### I. 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.*

[Prospective study of the mental health consequences of sexual violence among women living with HIV in rural Uganda. Tsai A.C, Wolfe W.R, Kumbakumba E et al. J Interpers Violence, ePub, 2015](#): This article suggests that forced sex is associated with adverse mental health outcomes among HIV-positive women in rural Uganda. [Source: Harvard University].

[Gender-based violence against adolescent and young adult women in low- and middle-income countries. Decker M.R, Latimore A.D, Yasutake S et al. J Adolesc Health, 56\(2\):188-96, 2015](#): By age, nation, and region, this article contrasts key GBV indicators, specifically intimate partner violence (IPV) and forced sexual debut among adolescent and young adult women using Demographic and Health Surveys across low- and middle-income countries. [Source: Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health].

[Strategic categorization of available research relating to sexual assault and rape facilitates more accurate interpretation of injury data. Kennedy K.M. Am J Forensic Med Pathol,](#)

[ePub, 2015](#): In this article, the author presents a simple categorisation of existing prevalence data in accordance with national clinical practice guidelines. [Source: National University of Ireland Galway].

[A comparison of self-reported emotional and trauma-related concerns among sexually abused children with and without sexual behaviour problems. Allen B, Thorn B.L, Gully K.J. Child Maltreat, ePub, 2015](#): This study provides the most comprehensive examination to date of self-reported concerns among children with SBP, using a large sample of clinically referred participants who reported sexual abuse histories. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Online sexual behaviours among Swedish youth: Associations to background factors, behaviours and abuse. Jonsson L.S, Bladh M, Priebe G, Svedin C.G. Eur. Child Adolesc. Psychiatry, ePub, 2015](#): This article investigates associations between online sexual behaviours among Swedish youth and background factors as well as aspects of well-being. [Source: SafetyLit].

[An efficacy trial of an intervention program for children exposed to intimate partner violence. Graham-Bermann S.A, Miller-Graff L.E, Howell K.H, Grogan-Kaylor A. Child Psychiatry Hum. Dev, ePub, 2015](#): In this study, an efficacy trial compared outcomes for 4-6 year old children randomly assigned to a program designed to address the effects of exposure to IPV with those allocated to a waitlist comparison condition. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Violence against children, later victimisation, and mental health: A cross-sectional study of the general Norwegian population. Thoresen S, Myhre M, Wentzel-Larsen T, Aakvaag H.F, Hjemdal O.K. Eur. J. Psychotraumatol, 6: 26259, 2015](#): This article estimates the associations between various types of childhood and adult violence exposure, and their combined associations to adult mental health. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Web-based child pornography: The global impact of deterrence efforts and its consumption on mobile platforms. Steel C.M. Child Abuse Negl, ePub, 2015](#): This study is the first to look at mobile device use for child sexual exploitation material (CSEM) consumption, and at the global impact of deterrence efforts by search providers. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Patterns of cumulative abuse among female survivors of intimate partner violence: Links to women's health and socioeconomic status. Davies L, Ford-Gilboe M, Willson A, Varcoe C, Wuest J, Campbell J, Scott-Storey K. Violence Against Women, 21: 30-48, 2015](#): Drawing on the Women's Health Effects Study, a community sample of women who recently left an abusive partner, this study examines patterns of cumulative abuse experiences over the life course, their socioeconomic correlates, and associations with a range of health outcomes. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Using interactive theater to create socioculturally relevant community-based intimate partner violence prevention. Yoshihama M, Tolman R.M. Am. J. Community Psychol, ePub, 2015](#): This article describes the use of interactive theater, audience response assessment, and peer educators to create community-generated approaches for bystander interventions

(i.e., actions taken by people who become aware of controlling, abusive and violent behavior of others) to prevent intimate partner violence (IPV) and to foster change in community norms. [Source: SafetyLit].

## II. Online publications and resources

### [Private violence, public concern: Intimate partner violence in humanitarian settings.](#)

[Practice brief, International Rescue Committee, 2015](#) (pdf): This report examines the nature and drivers of intimate partner violence in three refugee camps across three continents. It shows that intimate partner violence in humanitarian settings is driven by a complex set of factors that include pre-existing gender inequalities, which is exacerbated by rapidly changing gender roles. [Source: IRC].

[Girls Not Brides: Post-2015 advocacy toolkit. Girls Not Brides, 2015](#) (pdf): This toolkit is for members of Girls Not Brides: The Global Partnership to End Child Marriage and other civil society organisations that want to take action to call for the inclusion of child, early and forced marriage in the post-2015 development framework.

[Teaching to transform: Searchable resources for violence prevention education](#): This database offers hundreds of resources for work to end relationship violence across the lifespan. Search it to find everything current for the prevention classroom--from curricula and lesson plans to videos, games, guides, and posters. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

## III. Websites

[MASOC](#): This coalition of therapists, public and the private sector administrators, probation personnel, attorneys and judges are committed to preventing sexual abuse through early intervention in the lives of sexually abusive children and youth. [Source: NEARI Press].

## IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Call for Papers: Women, gender and sexualities: An anthology](#). Papers are invited for an anthology that provides the historical foundations of diverse feminist discourses on gender, race, class, sexuality and disability vis-à-vis nationality, citizenship, and post-colonialism, the critical understanding of how women live their experiences in diverse cultural, geographical, and religious, worlds, the fundamental construction of sex, gender, sexuality and class as social constructions and how they are enacted within respective societies. Submissions close: 25 February 2015. [Source: AWID].

[Call for papers: Rethinking intersections - A MENA-centered definition of gender and sexuality](#). One of the few academic journals on gender and sexuality based in the MENA region, Kohl: a Journal for Body and Gender Research saw the light in December 2014. We are pleased to invite submissions for Kohl's first issue, slated for publication in May 2015. Young activists, independent researchers, graduate students and fresh graduates are particularly encouraged to apply. Submissions close: 8 March 2015. [Source: AWID].

**Scholarship opportunity: Global Health Scholarship.** This merit-based Global Health Scholarship is awarded to a student to pay for the costs of their online or campus based education. It may be awarded to anyone who is currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate level, global health related program in nursing, medicine, or public health. Submissions close: 15 July 2015. [Source: PHASA].

## V. Advocacy and awareness-raising

**Blog: New year, new home. DFID Bloggers, January 2015:** For many of us, the New Year may mean resolutions vaguely made and probably never kept. They usually concern less than fundamental things. But for the people of Darfur, caught up in a now largely forgotten conflict, 2015 has so far meant trauma and hardship. [Source: DFID].

## VI. News

**Teenage girls in Argentina – Invisible victims of femicide, Inter Press Service News Agency, 28 January 2015:** The murder of a young Argentine girl on a beach in neighbouring Uruguay shook both countries and drew attention to a kind of violence that goes almost unnoticed as a cause of death among Argentine adolescents: femicide.

**Not without our daughters: Lambada women fight infanticide and child trafficking, Inter Press Service News Agency, 26 January 2015:** At 11 years of age, Banawat Gangotri already has four years of work experience as a farm labourer. The child, a member of the nomadic Lambada community from the village of Bugga Thanda in India's southern Telangana state, plucked cotton and chillies from nine a.m. until 5 p.m. for about a dollar daily.

**Analysis: When schoolgirls fall pregnant, why don't we talk more about rape? Daily Maverick, 23 January 2015:** The latest news about pregnant South African schoolgirls has landed. On this occasion, 13 of 633 pupils who fell pregnant at Limpopo schools last year were in primary school, with one in Grade 4. Importantly, we don't know their ages. But while discussions about schoolgirl pregnancy often evoke moral panic about the notion of sexually active young girls, there's less consideration of those responsible for their impregnation.

**Sustainable development is only possible if women's health is prioritised, The Guardian, 21 January 2015:** "Let the 21st century be the century of women." These were the words of the UN secretary general, Ban Ki-moon, when he launched his report on the post- 2015 development agenda. "The empowerment and rights of girls and women must be at the heart of everything we do," said Ban.

**UN peacekeepers who turned predatory in Haiti, Pass Blue, 20 January 2015:** On Jan. 23, the members of the United Nations Security Council will head to Haiti. It's safe to assume that they will focus on the political crisis: because parliamentary elections were not held by Haiti's legislative deadline, the current government, headed by President Michel Martelly, is now ruling by decree.

## VII. Events

**[What stops rape survivors from reporting? 4 February 2015, Pretoria, South Africa](#)**. This Institute for Security Studies seminar will explore the range of societal and institutional barriers to reporting sexual offences to the police in South Africa. RSVP to [hchanda@issafrica.org](mailto:hchanda@issafrica.org). [Source: ISS].

**[Eliminating domestic violence in Europe: Implementing strategies for protection and prevention, 25 February 2015, Brussels, Belgium](#)**. This timely International Symposium will analyse the existing challenges in shaping a truly comprehensive and holistic strategy and toolkits for tackling the gender dimension of intimate partner violence. Register online. [Source: AWID].

**[Pre-conference workshops - SVRI Forum 2015: Innovation and intersections, 14 September, Stellenbosch, South Africa](#)**. We encourage expressions of interest to run workshops at the Forum this year that focus on research methodology, ethics, data analysis, research uptake, use of technology to perpetrate/prevent/respond to violence, and other relevant issues. To submit expressions of interest to run pre-conference workshops at the SVRI Forum 2015, visit: <http://www.svri.org/forum2015/workshop.htm>. Submissions close: 28 February 2015.

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

## VIII. Vacancies

**[UNFPA Representative](#)** / UNFPA / San Salvador, El Salvador / Closing date: January 31, 2015.

**[Representative, D1](#)** / UNFPA / Brazil country office / Closing date: January 31, 2015.

**[Deputy Representative](#)** / UNFPA / New Delhi, India/ Closing date: February 4, 2015.

**[Technical Advisor, Gender and Human Rights](#)** / UNFPA / Bangkok, Thailand / Closing date: February 11, 2015.

**[Gender-Based Violence \(GBV\) Specialist](#)** / UNFPA / Sittwe, Rakhine State, Myanmar / Closing date: February 11, 2015.

**[Programme Specialist, P3, Non-core Global Funds Management Unit](#)** / UNFPA / New York, USA / Closing date: February 17, 2015.

**[Technical Advisor, RH, P5](#)** / UNFPA / Cairo, Egypt / Closing date: February 18, 2015.

**[Medical Expert Consultant](#)** / Program on Sexual Violence in Conflict Zones, Physicians for Human Rights/ Bukavu, Democratic Republic of the Congo/ Closing Date: Open until filled. [Source: Physicians for Human Rights].

[Researcher](#) / Wits Health Consortium Perinatal HIV Research Unit / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: January 30, 2015. [Source: SAMRC].  
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[Research Assistant](#) / Wits Health Consortium Perinatal HIV Research Unit / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: February 2, 2015. [Source: SAMRC].  
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[Sexual and Gender-Based Violence \(SGBV\) Director](#) / Kids in Need of Defense (KIND) / Guatemala-Mexico border / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: PAHO/WHO].  
mailto:jobs@supportkind.org

[GBV Capacity Development Consultant \(SSA\)](#) / UNFPA Arab States / Amman, Jordan / Closing date: February 4, 2015. [Source: UNFPA].

[Epidemiologist](#) / Doctors without Borders (MSF) / Cape Town, South Africa / Closing date: February 2, 2015. [Source: 60percent].

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](http://www.svri.org) or contact us at [svri@mrc.ac.za](mailto:svri@mrc.ac.za)

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