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.

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

I. Call for Abstracts: SVRI Forum 2017-Partnerships for policy action

The SVRI Forum 2017: Partnerships for policy action will take place from 18–21 September 2017 at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Through this event, the SVRI brings together over 450 researchers, gender activists, funders, policy makers, service providers, practitioners and survivors from around the world who are working to understand, prevent and respond to sexual and intimate partner violence.

We are delighted to invite you to submit abstracts, attend and register for the SVRI Forum 2017 on our website. Please contact us with any queries at: Svri.Forums@mrc.ac.za.

More information on our past Forums is available at http://www.svri.org/svri-forums-explained.

We look forward to hosting you in Brazil!

II. SVRI Member request

1. The Fletcher School at Tufts University: Recruitment of study participants

The Feinstein Center is currently undertaking an exploratory research project funded by the Government of Norway to examine the issue of sexual assault against aid workers, the
circumstances surrounding these events, and the institutional response. The study researchers seek to interview individuals working in the humanitarian and security field who could provide information from their professional perspective about the issue of sexual assault against humanitarian workers. Should you be interested in participating in the study please email Phoebe Donnelly at Phoebe.Donnelly@tufts.edu.

III. 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.

Gender norms and age-disparate sexual relationships as predictors of intimate partner violence, sexual violence, and risky sex among adolescent gang members. Nydegger L. A, DiFrancisco W, Quinn K, Dickson-Gómez J. J. Urban Health. ePub. 2016: Unequal gender norms and age-disparate sexual relationships can lead to power imbalances and are also associated with intimate partner violence (IPV), sexual coercion and violence, and sexual risk behaviours. This study examined these variables from both victim and perpetrator perspectives among adolescent gang members. [Source: Safetylit].

Predicting sexual assault revictimization in a longitudinal sample of women survivors: Variation by type of assault. Relyea M, Ullman S. E. Violence Against Women. ePub, 2016: This study uses a large community sample of women sexual assault survivors to prospectively assess 17 theorized predictors across four types of sexual assault revictimization: unwanted contact, coercion, substance-involved assault (SIA), and force. [Source: Safetylit].

Sexual assault and justice for older women: A critical review of the literature. Fileborn B. Trauma, Violence & Abuse. 2016: This article provides a critical review of current literature on the sexual assault of older women—including an exploration of the specific features and emotional and physical impacts of older women's experiences—and highlights current gaps and future directions for research, practice, and theory. [Source: SAGE Journals].

When women do not want it: young female bargoers' experiences with and responses to sexual harassment in social drinking contexts. Graham K, Bernard S, Abbey A, Dumas T. M, Wells S. Violence Against Women. ePub, 2016: This study explores women's responses to these unwanted experiences through online surveys completed by 153 female bargoers (aged 19-29) randomly recruited from a bar district. [Safetylit].

Understanding the origins and the development of rape and sexual aggression against women: Four generations of research and theorizing. Cale J, Lussier P. Aggression and Violent Behavior. 2016: This article provides a review of contemporary explanations of sexual aggression against women and an examination of the underlying developmental issues that these models imply. [Source: ScienceDirect].


A literature review of strategies for the prevention of intimate partner violence during the childbearing years. Sinnott T, Artz S. Int. J. Child Youth Family Stud. 7(3-4): 324-342, 2016: This
narrative literature review examines the peer-reviewed research in English on the prevention of intimate partner violence (IPV) during the childbearing years, published between January 2000 and January 2015. [Source: SafetyLit].

IV. Online publications and resources

**Femicide in Armenia: A silent epidemic. Coalition to Stop Violence Against Women. 2016:** This report explores the death of women killed by intimate partners and family members and sheds light on the manifestations of gender-related killings and acts of violence that are uniquely experienced by women in Armenia. [Source: WUNRN].

**Prevention, policy and procedure checklist: Responding to Sexual Violence in Humanitarian and development settings. Nobert M. Report The Abuse. 2016:** This checklist sets out a series of actions that should be taken by humanitarian and development organisations– from the United Nations (UN), to International Non-Governmental Organisations (INGOs), to Community Based Organisations (CBOs) and all organisations responding to sexual violence. [Source: Report the Abuse].

**A Safer Family. A Safer World: A resource for parents and caregivers of children 0-12 on preventing child sexual abuse. UW Medicine, Harbor View Medical Centre: Centre for Sexual Assault and Traumatic Stress. 2016:** This booklet is designed for parents, caregivers, and other caring adults to help them prevent the sexual abuse of children. The booklet is also available in Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese, Amharic, Arabic, Oromo, Somali, Tagalog, Tigrigna. [Source: WUNRN]

V. Research opportunities, grants and funding

**Funding opportunity: Voices Against Violence-The GBV Global Initiative:** The GBV Global Initiative provides urgent assistance to survivors of extreme forms of gender-based violence and harmful traditional practices. The initiative includes dedicated funding for survivors who have recently experienced an extreme form of gender-based violence, acute threat or harmful traditional practice and reside in countries with few or no resources for survivors. Please email any queries to gbvresponse@gmail.com. [Source: Promundo-US].

**Funding opportunity: fellowships on women’s rights or LGBTI rights:** The International Reporting Project (IRP) is accepting applications for reporting fellowships on women’s rights and LGBTI rights. These fellowships are intended to provide in-depth coverage of important, under-covered international issues. Special consideration will be given to applicants from and projects in Central America, Francophone West Africa, and South and Southeast Asia. [Source: Funds for NGOs].

**Call for Applications: GBV Prevention Network 16 Days of Activism Campaign for the Action and advocacy kit:** Through this campaign the GBV Prevention Network will focus on making education safe for girls and young women. The campaign will explore how discrimination and experiences of violence inhibit girls’ ability to access and/or benefit from the education system. Members of the Network will break the silence by highlighting and publicizing issues within their homes, schools and communities that act as barriers for women and girls’ access to education and that make educational spaces unsafe. Apply for the kit online. Applications close: 09 September 2016. [Source: Raising voices].

VI. Awards

**Call for Nominations: 2016 Paula Kantor Award for Excellence in Field Research:** The International Center for Research on Women (ICRW) is soliciting nominations for the second annual Paula Kantor
Award for Excellence in Field Research. The award will be given to a young female researcher who is a citizen of a sub-Saharan African country in order to recognize and honour outstanding achievement in the fields of gender and empowerment of women and girls. Submission deadline: 14 October 2016. [Source: ICRW].

Call for applications: African Union Kwame Nkrumah Scientific Award 2016 edition: The objective of this call is to recognize, award and honour outstanding excelling African Scientists women, men alike and younger researchers for their scientific achievements, discoveries and innovations. The award is implemented on a national, regional and continental levels. The closing date for the applications for the Continental and Regional award is 31st October 2016 and for the National awards kindly contact National Academy of Science or National Research Councils. [Source: SAMRC].

VII. News

Egypt's tougher penalties for FGM will have little impact, say rights groups, The Guardian, 01 September 2016: Practitioners can now be jailed for up to 15 years if girl dies, but one lawyer says this will encourage families to lie about surgery.

In Pakistan, laws fail to stop honour killing, Daily Times, 31 August 2016: Honour killing remains an unsolved issue as the existing laws and their implementation have failed to stop this evil that still continues without any fear. A compromise have been recorded in 99.99 percent cases of honour killing till date due to which the culprits escape unpunished, say lawyers and human rights activists.

California lawmakers pass mandatory jail bill inspired by Stanford rape case, The Huffington Post, 31 August 2016: California lawmakers, responding to outrage over six-month jail term given to a former Stanford University swimmer after his conviction for sexually assaulting an unconscious woman, passed legislation on Monday closing a loophole that allowed the sentence.

VIII. Events

Launch of the Foundation on Justice for Child Witnesses, 06 September 2016, Johannesburg, South Africa: You are invited to the launch of The Child Witness Foundation. The Child Witness Foundation will support the work of the Child Witness Institute: a small non-profit which over the last 20 years has worked to reform the criminal justice system in South Africa and abroad. The Institute has achieved remarkable results, spearheading the development of South Africa’s dedicated sexual offences courts and creating feeding schemes for child witnesses. It also trains judges, and forensics experts, and has drafted policy that combats human trafficking. [Source: Institute on Justice for Child Witnesses].

Report launch: Gender Based Violence-Opportunities for innovation, 06 September 2016, Genève, Switzerland: You are invited to the launch of the GBV report and to explore opportunities to innovate the humanitarian communities’ response to GBV in emergencies. The report offers fresh guidance on tangible innovation areas for those working to improve GBV globally to enhance effectiveness and accelerate impact. To attend register online. [Source: Humanitarian Innovation Fund].

Safeguarding yourself - Recognising and responding to vicarious trauma, 28 November 2016, New South Wales, Australia: This one day interactive professional development training explores the nature of vicarious trauma, burnout and compassion fatigue, and supports you to keep healthy and safe in your work with people impacted by trauma. [Source: ANROWS].
For more events visit: http://www.svri.org/event-calendar

IX. Vacancies

Consultancy: Organisational Development Specialist for Women and Women Rights' Organisations / Oxfam / Eastern Samar, Philippines / Closing date: 05 September 2016. [Source: Oxfam].

Gender, Sexuality and Identity Programme Director / Amnesty International / London, UK / Closing date: 05 September 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Programme Director / Amnesty International / London, UK / Closing date: 05 September 2016. [Source: Amnesty International].

Amnesty International National Office / Amnesty International / Jakarta, Indonesia / Closing date: 09 September 2016. [Source: Amnesty International].

Campaigns and Advocacy Manager / Oxfam / Global / Closing date: 09 September 2016. [Source: Oxfam].

Gender Program Quality Manager / Care Australia / Port Vila, Vanuatu / Closing date: 11 September 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Deputy Humanitarian Program Manager / Juba, South Sudan / Oxfam / Closing date: 14 September 2016. [Oxfam].

Women's Leadership Researcher Intern / CIMMYT / Addis Ababa, Ethiopia / Closing date: 15 September 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Gender Advisor / Oxfam / Global - Melbourne preferred / Closing date: 18 September 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].


Technical Advisor, Women’s Protection and Empowerment / International Rescue Committee / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

Child Protection Technical Advisor / International Rescue Committee / New York, London, Brussels or Geneva / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Project Director / Rutgers Center for Women's Global Leadership / New Jersey, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Child Survival Advisor / International Rescue Committee / DR Congo / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

WASH Advisor / International Rescue Committee / DR Congo / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

Gender and Development Fall Internship / Banyan Global / Global / Closing date: Open until filled.
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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