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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](mailto:svri@mrc.ac.za). For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit [www.svri.org](http://www.svri.org). Please note that the SVRI Updates are also available on our [Facebook](#) page.

Today's SVRI Update includes the following:

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I. [Call extended: SVRI Forum 2017 abstract mentoring programme](#)

The SVRI Forum 2017 Organizing Committee is pleased to announce that the abstract mentoring applications have been extended. We would like to invite applicants **35 years of age and younger** to submit their abstracts through the [formal submission system](#) for review. Please also confirm your interest in participating this programme by emailing Lizle Loots at [svri.forums@mrc.ac.za](mailto:svri.forums@mrc.ac.za) to indicate interest in taking part in this valuable programme. Successful applicants will receive mentoring around their Forum presentation, and where funds are available, support to attend the event. Please ensure that you indicate your interest in the programme to us on or before 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2017 to be considered. Abstracts must be submitted by **1 February 2017** and follow [submission guidelines](#) as outlined on the webpage.

The call for abstracts is available in [English](#), [Spanish](#) and [Portuguese](#).

## 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.**

[The link between men's zero-sum gender beliefs and mental health: Findings from Chile and Croatia. Wong Y.J, Klann E.M, Bijelić N, Aguayo F. Psychology of Men & Masculinity. 18\(1\), 12-19, 2017:](#) This study uses a multigroup structural equation model to test the link between men's zero-sum gender beliefs and psychological distress. [Source: Indiana University Bloomington].

[Understanding social norms and violence in childhood: theoretical underpinnings and strategies for intervention. Lilleston P.S, Goldmann L, Verma R.K, McCleary-Sills J. Psychol. Health Med. ePub, 2017:](#) This review defines injunctive and descriptive social norms and lays out a conceptual framework for the relationship between social norms and violence in childhood, including the forces shaping social norms, the mechanisms through which these norms influence violence in childhood (e.g. fear of social sanctions, internalization of normative behaviour), and the drivers and maintainers of norms related to violence in childhood. [Source: Gates Foundation].

[Instruments to identify commercially sexually exploited children: feasibility of use in an emergency department setting. Armstrong S. Pediatr. Emerg. Care. ePub, 2017:](#) This review examines the screening instruments that are in existence today to identify commercially sexually exploited children. [Source: Safetylit].

[Research or intervention or both? Women's changes after participation in a longitudinal study about intimate partner violence. Burge S.K, Ferrer R.L, Foster E.L, Becho J, Talamantes M, Wood R.C, Katerndahl D.A. Fam. Syst. ePub, 2017:](#) In this article, the authors examine the effects of study participation in a longitudinal investigation of intimate partner violence using both qualitative and quantitative data. [Source: Safetylit].

[Development of a brief measure of intimate partner violence experiences: the Composite Abuse Scale \(Revised\)-Short Form \(CASR-SF\). Ford-Gilboe M, Wathen C.N, Varcoe C, MacMillan H.L, Scott-Storey K, Mantler T, Hegarty K, Perrin N. 6\(12\), 2016:](#) This study aims to develop a brief, reliable and valid self-report measure of IPV that adequately captures its complexity. [Source: Pubmed].

[Effectiveness of a girls' empowerment programme on early childbearing, marriage and school dropout among adolescent girls in rural Zambia: study protocol for a cluster randomized trial. Sandøy I.F, Mudenda M, Zulu J, Munsaka E, Blystad A, Makasa M.C, Mæstad O, Tungodden B, Jacobs C, Kampata L, Fylkesnes K, Svanemyr J, Moland KM, Banda R, Musonda P. Trials. 17\(1\):588, 2016:](#) This protocol describes a trial aiming to measure the effect on early childbearing rates in a rural Zambian context of (1) economic support to girls and their families, and (2) combining economic support with a community intervention to enhance knowledge about sexual and reproductive health and supportive community norms. [Source: Pubmed].

[Associations between sexual behaviour norm beliefs in relationships and intimate partner rape judgments. Lynch K.R, Jewell J.A, Golding J.M, Kembel H.B. Violence Against Women. 1-26, 2016:](#) This study investigates the associations between sexual behaviour norm beliefs, acceptance of partner rape, judgments that non-consensual partner sex is "wrong not rape," and decisions if non-consensual partner sex should be charged as rape. [Source: SAGE journals].

### III. Online publications and resources

[Mapping child participation: A global research report. Save the Children Sweden. 2015](#): This report presents the mapping and analysis of children's participation which was undertaken in 18 countries and/or regional programs which are priority countries for Save the Children Sweden. [Source: Save the Children Sweden].

### IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Invitation for Expression of Interest \(Partner Institution or Consortium for Measurement of Violence against Women in Asia and the Pacific\)](#): UNFPA Asia and the Pacific Regional Office (APRO) is in the process of identifying potential implementing partners for the implementation of a project to strengthen regional and national capacities to measure violence against women in Asia and the Pacific (2016 – 2019), and seeking to partner with an institution or consortium to create a Knowledge Centre for the measurement of VAW. Closing date: 31 January 2017.

[Funding opportunity: AuthorAID Travel and Workshop Grants 2017](#): AuthorAID helps researchers in developing countries to publish and otherwise communicate their work. It also serves as a wider global forum to discuss and disseminate research. This year, AuthorAID travel grants will fund 5 individuals USD 1500 each for early-career researchers to present their research at an international conference. The deadline for applying for a travel grant is 29 January 2017. AuthorAID offers 5 workshop grants (USD 2500 each) for experienced researchers or administrators to organise a workshop on a topic related to research communication. The deadline for applying for a workshop grant is 5 February 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

[Call for Applications: XI IASSCS Conference Scholarships](#): The International Association for the Study of Sexuality, Culture and Society (IASSCS) has an open Call for Applications of scholarships for its XI Biennial Conference, to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from 13-15 July, 2017. IASSCS is committed to making its Conferences accessible to all who are working in sexuality-related fields or who are studying human sexuality. Application deadline: 10 February 2017. [Source: IASSCS Conference].

### V. Advocacy and awareness raising

[Blog: Emergency contraception is a simple part of post-rape care: Why is it not routinely provided?, 16 January 2017](#): Emergency contraception (EC) can reduce the risk of pregnancy after unprotected sex, including in cases of sexual violence. Global guidance is clear that EC should be offered to women and girls within 120 hours of sexual violence to prevent the traumatic consequences of pregnancy resulting from rape. Read [more](#).

### VI. News

[Bangladesh's plan to allow some child marriages is 'step backwards', The Guardian, 17 January 2017](#): Campaigners say proposed law change permitting child marriage in 'special cases' would increase risks of rape, domestic violence and early pregnancy.

[At Cape Town Forum, UN Women and partners seek ways to close gender data gaps, UN News, 17 January 2017](#): With only 41 per cent of countries regularly producing data on violence against women and only 13 per cent of countries having a dedicated gender statistics budget, the first-ever United Nations World Data Forum today explored ways to close these data gaps.

[Liberia launches the African Union campaign to end child marriage, Girls Not Brides news, 6 January](#)

[2017](#): The Ministry of Gender, Children and Social Protection condemned child marriage and announced the government would ramp up its efforts to end a practice that affects 36% of girls in the country. The launch event, which took place in Tubmanburg, Bomi County on 14 December, brought together women, children, traditional chiefs, as well as UNICEF and other development partners.

## VII. Events

[Webinar: How to find sources of funding for LGBT organizations and LGBT-focused programs, 26 January 2017](#): This introductory webinar will provide participants with a strong understanding of donor trends towards LGBT-related work and provide insights into the major sources of funding now available, including institutional, corporate, and private. [Source: Fundsfor NGOs].

[UCL Centre for Gender and Global Health launch day, 16 February 2017, London, UK](#): The UCL Institute for Global Health would like to invite you to the launch day of the new Centre for Gender and Global Health, funded by the ESRC. The launch will be a full day of panel discussions and keynote speeches to celebrate the launch of the Centre and bring together those interested in Gender and Global Health. [Source: UCL Institute for Global Health].

## VIII. Vacancies

[Business Development Manager](#) / Social Development Direct / London, UK / Closing date: 20 January 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[New Business Director](#) / Social Development Direct / London, UK / Closing date: 20 January 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Procurement Officer](#) / Pacific Community / Noumea, New Caledonia / Closing date: 23 January 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Global Communications Coordinator](#) / MenEngage / Global / Closing date: 31 January 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Global Advocacy Coordinator](#) / MenEngage / Global / Closing date: 31 January 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Executive Director](#) / ISDAO – Initiative Sankofa d’Afrique de l’Ouest / Francophone West Africa / Closing date: 31 January 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Communication for Development Officer](#) / UNICEF / Gaborone, Botswana / Closing date: 1 February 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

[Project Analyst](#) / Asian Development Bank / Manila, Philippines / Closing date: 2 February 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

[Policy Specialist \(Digital Strategies\)](#) / UNDP / New York, USA / Closing date: 7 February 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

[Senior Legal Adviser, Africa](#) / Center for Reproductive Rights / Nairobi, Kenya / Closing date: open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

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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 increase awareness and promote research on sexual violence and its linkages to other forms of violence to influence policy and practice, particularly in low and middle income countries.

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