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. SAVE THE DATE: Innovations to Prevent Gender-Based Violence, 18 April 2017, Washington DC, USA

Innovations to Prevent Gender-Based Violence: Building Evidence for Effective Solutions: The World Bank Group and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI) invite you to participate in their Development Marketplace Award Ceremony event to be held at the World Bank Headquarters, Washington DC. USA on 18 April 2017 from 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM EDT. During the event 10 teams from around the world will be awarded for the innovative work they lead on the prevention of GBV. Register to attend the event.

II. SVRI and IC’s Call for evidence: Global review of participatory SV consultation/ research addressing involving children and young people

Through the Being Heard, The International Centre (IC): researching child sexual exploitation, violence and trafficking (University of Bedfordshire) in partnership with Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI) are undertaking an international review of evidence relating to participatory...
methodologies used in research and consultation relating to sexual violence involving children and young people.

Please send us information about documents and/or related materials on participatory work with children and young people in research or consultation on sexual violence (or related subjects). All relevant materials should be email to Dr Silvie Bovarnick at Silvie.bovarnick@beds.ac.uk.

See more details online
Deadline: 30 April 2017

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.*

**Intimate partner violence and the overlap of perpetration and victimization: considering the influence of physical, sexual, and emotional abuse in childhood.** Richards T.N, Tillyer M.S, Wright E.M. *Child Abuse Negl.* 67, 240-248, 2017: This study examines the independent relationship of childhood maltreatment type (emotional, sexual, physical) on intimate partner violence victimization and perpetration. [Source: Safetylit].

**The associations between substance use, sexual behaviors, bullying, deviant behaviors, health, and cyber dating abuse perpetration.** Van Ouytsel J, Torres E, Choi H.J, Ponnet K, Walrave M, Temple J.R. *J. Sch. Nurs.* 33(2), 116-122, 2017: Dating violence is an important public health concern and is considered to be a form of school violence. This brief research report focuses on the associations between substance use, sexual behaviours, deviant behaviours, self-reported health, and cyber dating abuse perpetration. [Source: Safetylit].

**Sexual violence and unwanted pregnancies in migrant women.** Barbara G, Collini F, Cattaneo C, Marasciulo L, Chiappa L, Fedele L, Kustermann A. *Lancet Glob. Health.* 5(4), e396-e397, 2017: This study explores gender-based violence against migrants which may have substantial and long-lasting negative effects on the victim’s mental, physical, reproductive, and sexual health, resulting in serious public-health implications for the accepting country. [Source: ScienceDirect].


**Sexual assault victimization among straight, gay/lesbian, and bisexual college students.** Ford J, Soto-Marquez J.G. *Violence and Gender.* 3(2), 107-115, 2016: This study investigates both the prevalence of sexual assault and its associated factors for straight, bisexual, and gay individuals. [Source: Violence and Gender].

**How are gender equality and human rights interventions included in sexual and reproductive health programmes and policies: A systematic review of existing research foci and gaps.** Hartmann M, Khosla R, Krishnan S, George A, Gruskin S, Amin A. *PloS ONE.* 11(12), 2016: This study aims to identify research gaps as part of a broader priority setting exercise on integrating gender equality and human rights approaches in sexual and reproductive health programmes and policies. [Source: WUNRN].
IV. Online publications and resources

**Training healthcare providers to respond to intimate partner violence against women.** Kalra N, Di Tanna GL, Garcia-Moreno C. Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews. 2, 2017: This report assesses the effectiveness of training programmes that seek to improve healthcare providers’ identification of, and response to, intimate partner violence against women. [Source: ANROWS].

**Help-seeking needs and gaps for preventing child sexual abuse.** Saunders V, McArthur M. Institute of Child Protection Studies, Australian Catholic University. Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, Sydney. 2017: This report aims to develop an understanding of the service needs and help-seeking behaviours of professionals, parents and community members concerned about the behaviour of an adult who is exhibiting potentially sexually harmful behaviour towards a child (including grooming, sexually inappropriate online behaviour and use of child pornography). [Source: Child Abuse Royal Commission].

**Ethical considerations for the collection, analysis and publication of child maltreatment data.** ISPCAN. 2016: This study provides practical suggestions to researchers who conduct research on child maltreatment. The study involved three activities: a review of the literature, interviews with key informants who have carried out child maltreatment data studies and the identification of case examples which illustrate ethical dilemmas and how these have been resolved. [Source: ISPCAN].

V. Research opportunities, grants and funding

**Call for nominations: 2017 World of Children Awards – Education, health, humanitarian, and protection:** World of Children Award is seeking Nominations for their 2017 Awards – honouring child advocates leading charity organizations helping children. Award benefits include a multi-year cash grant provided to the individual’s organisation, media and educational opportunities, and recognition at the World of Children Awards Ceremony in New York City. They give awards in 5 categories — the Education, Health, Humanitarian, Protection and Youth Awards. Deadline: 1 April 2017. [Source: Funds for NGOs].

**Call for Applications: 2017 Ewha University South Korea - Women's Global Empowerment Program:** This is a two weeks residential educational program that takes place twice a year offered by Ewha women’s university. The program aims to promote women and gender equality in Asia and Africa by empowering women working in non-governmental public sectors and by nourishing the next generation of women leader. Deadline: 9 April 2017. [Source: WUNRN].

**Call for nominations: 2017 Linda Saltzman new investigator award:** Futures Without Violence in partnership with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Raliance are currently accepting nominations for the 6th biennial Linda Saltzman New Investigator Award. Presented at the biennial National Conference on Health and Domestic Violence, this award recognizes an outstanding new investigator with 2-10 years of experience working in the field of domestic violence, violence against women, or dating violence. Deadline: 5 May 2017. [Source: Prevent Connect].

VI. Advocacy and awareness-raising

**Blog post: Trauma research – Survivor and trauma counselling experiences in Uganda:** Previous research found high levels of trauma-related difficulties amongst the conflict-affected population in Northern Uganda. There is international evidence that psychological therapy can reduce depression, one of the effects of traumatic experiences, but there is very limited literature regarding the
experiences of trauma counselling in Sub-Saharan Africa.

VII. News

**Abortion decriminalised in Northern Territory after long campaign, The Guardian, 22 March 2017:** The Northern Territory has decriminalised abortion and widened access for women, including use of the RU486 termination drug.

**Meet the women using tech to combat sexual assault, The Guardian, 20 March 2017:** In the UK one in five women has been a target of sexual violence. Can technology step in where institutions have failed? Read this news bulleting to find out how women use technology to combat sexual assault.

**Former Boko Haram abductees speak out, IPS News, 18 March 2017:** Though still fearful for her life and the safety of her family, one of the girls who escaped abduction by Boko Haram in Nigeria has appealed to global leaders to intervene and help bring back 195 schoolgirls still being held by the terrorist network.

**“The struggle continues” for human right to peace and inclusion of women, IPS News, 16 March 2017:** At a side event of the 61st session of the Commission of the Status of Women (CSW), panellists shed light on the important role that women play in peace and development.

VIII. Events

**Webinar: Fighting for change – Make your voice heard with your elected officials, 30 March 2017:** Have you seen the tremendous turnout of voters, citizens, and students at the offices of their Congresspersons, Senators, and local elected officials recently? They are listening! This webinar will arm you with scripts and tools to arrange student and parent visits/calls to members of congress or your school board. It will help you learn more about how to express your support for Title IX protections and services for survivors of sexual assault and cyber harassment. [Source: Futures Without Violence].

For more events visit: [http://www.svri.org/event-calendar](http://www.svri.org/event-calendar)

IX. Vacancies

**Communications and Fundraising Officer** / Terre des hommes Romania / Bucharest, Romania / Closing date: 24 March 2017. [Source: Child Protection Hub].

**Research Assistant** / The International Centre: Researching child sexual exploitation, violence and trafficking’, University of Bedfordshire / UK / Closing date: 27 March 2017. [Source: Child Protection Hub].

**Admin Assistant (Assets)** / UN Women / Kabul with travel to provinces, Afghanistan / Closing date: 29 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

**Projects Information Officer** / The Human Dignity Trust / London, UK / Closing date: 29 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

**GBViE Guidelines Surge Specialist** / UNICEF / Geneva, Switzerland / Closing date: 30 March 2017. [Source: UNICEF].
GAPS Assistant / Gender Action for Peace and Security / London, UK / Closing date: 30 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].


Expert on aligning EU Gender Acquis with national legislation / The Kosovo Women’s Network / Kosovo / Closing date: 31 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Communications Fellow / The Women LEAD / Kathmandu, Nepal / Closing date: 14 April 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Development Fellow / The Women LEAD / Kathmandu, Nepal / Closing date: 14 April 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Senior Global Advocacy Officer / Planned Parenthood Federation of America / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Senior Director, Global Human Resources (Head of HR) / The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) / New York, USA / [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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