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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. 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.

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I. SVRI Forum 2017 – Introducing guest speakers

The fifth SVRI global conference, SVRI Forum 2017 will be held at the Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort, Rio, Brazil on 18-21 September 2017. The event will feature 5 keynote speakers, and this week we are pleased to introduce to you, Oswaldo Montoya.

**Oswaldo Montoya** is a Networks Associate for Global Secretariat of MenEngage. He has served as a trainer, program manager, researcher, university teacher, consultant and counselor engaging men and boys in gender transformative work and promoting children’s right to protection from all forms of violence. Oswaldo worked with Puntos de Encuentro, a Nicaraguan feminist organization, with EMERGE, a domestic violence program in the US and with Save the Children in Nicaragua. He is the author or co-author of several publications, including educational manuals and research reports on men and violence against women.

Read more about SVRI Forum 2017 [here](#)

The deadline for early registration is **1 July 2017**.

We look forward to seeing you all in Rio!
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.

A randomized controlled trial of an intervention program to Brazilian mothers who use corporal punishment. Santini P.M, Williams L.C.A. Child Abuse Negl. 50(14), 2014, 2134–2134(17), 30160-6, 2017: This study evaluates a positive parenting program to Brazilian mothers who used corporal punishment with their children. [Source: Universidade Federal de São Carlos].

Survivors’ sociocultural status in Mwenga: A comparison of the issue before and after rape. Maisha B, Malette J, Demasure K. Soc. Sci. ePub, 2017: This article discusses psychosocial challenges faced by women survivors of rape in their families and communities based on the interpretation of rape as a sexual taboo and held beliefs that automatic transgression of taboo, through unwanted sexual contact, defiles and endurance survivors and those who associate with them. [Source: Saint Paul University].


Associations of bullying and cyberbullying with substance use and sexual risk taking in young adults. Kritsotakis G, Papanikolaou M, Androulakis E, Philalithis A.E. J. Nurs. Scholarsh. ePub, 2017: This study identifies the sex-stratified associations of involvement in traditional bullying during middle and high school years and in cyberbullying during college years with multiple health risk behaviours in undergraduate students. [Source: Safetylit].

Has child marriage declined in sub-Saharan Africa? An analysis of trends in 31 countries. Koski A, Clark S, Nandi A. Population and Development Review. 43(1), 7-29, 2017: This study uses the Demographic and Health Surveys (DHS) from 31 countries to examines trends in child marriage in sub-Saharan Africa. [Source: Wiley Online Library].

A framework for understanding sexual violence: Incentive-motivation and hierarchical control. Toates F, Smid W, Van den Berg J.M. Aggression and Violent Behaviour. 34, 238-253, 2017: In this article, authors argue that sexual violence, as in rape, arises from a fusion between (i) sexual motivation and (ii) sensation-seeking and varying strengths of dominance/aggression motivations. [Source: Science Direct].

III. Online publications and resources

It's her fault: Sexual violence in Sudan. SIHA, 2017: This report examines the scale and types of sexual violence perpetrated in Sudan, including concrete recommendations for a programme of action and legal reform. Those who wish to access the full report must compete an online request.
and the authors will email them the document. [Source: SIHA].

IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

Request for Proposals: UN Women - Media trainings under ending violence against women project in Bosnia and Herzegovina: The United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) is seeking proposals from qualified organizations for the Provision of services related to media trainings under ending violence against women project. The priority is to strengthen the capacities of those media professionals which are in most need of this type of training, as well as to reach out to smaller newsrooms in BiH and strengthen capacities of those journalists who do not operate in urban centres and who do not have a lot of opportunities to participate in thematic trainings on gender equality and violence against women and girl. Closing date: 25 June 2017. [Source: UN Women].

Call for applications: UN youth delegate programme for Ireland 2017–2018: The National Youth Council of Ireland, together with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade are seeking applications for its United Nations Youth Delegate Programme for Ireland 2017- 2018 with an aim to support young people to be agents of change, where they are empowered to be active global citizens contributing to building a world of justice, equity, and dignity. Closing date for applications: 27 June 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

Call for applications: Preventing child trafficking and exploitation in Nepal: Comic Relief is seeking applications to support work to prevent the trafficking and sexual exploitation of children and young people, alongside supporting appropriate services that enable them to exit safely and effectively recover from the negative impacts. Closing date for applications: 21 July 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

Call for nominations: 2017 Paula Kantor Award for Excellence in Field Research: The International Center for Research on Women (ICRW) is now accepting nominations for the third annual Paula Kantor Award for Excellence in Field Research. This award will be given to a young female researcher in order to recognize and honour outstanding achievement in the field of gender equity and the empowerment of women and girls. Closing date: 28 July 2017. [Source: International Center for Research on Women].

V. News

New York’s child marriage 'ban' still doesn't protect girls, Huffpost Impact, 21 June 2017: New York has joined a growing list of U.S. states that have restricted child marriage. But a new law leaves room for young people to wed — and to face the risks that come with children becoming married.

'Sexual violence is a threat to every individual's right to a life of dignity' – UN chief, UN News, 19 June 2017: Marking the International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict – on 19 June 2017, United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres paid tribute to the women, girls, men and boys who have suffered the atrocity of sexual violence in conflict, and reaffirmed “our global commitment to eliminate this scourge.”

The link between domestic violence and mass shootings, The New Yorker, 16 June 2017: An alarming number of those who have been accused of domestic abuse—including the shooter of Congressman Steve Scalise—pose serious and often a lethal threat, not just to their intimate partners but to society at large.
How domestic violence against mothers endangers child health, News Deeply, 1 June 2017: Research from 32 developing countries shows that children born into abusive households are more likely to die before they reach the age of five than those who are not. But deterrence and incarceration of abusers can make a significant difference.

VI. Events

Costs of child marriage, 27 June 2017, Washington D.C, USA: Join the International Center for Research on Women (ICRW) and the World Bank for a presentation and discussion of the findings from a ground-breaking research project to uncover the economic costs of child marriage. RSVP here. [Source: ICRW].

10th UNESCO youth forum, 25-26 October 2017, France, Paris: The Forum will bring together expert youth from all regions of the world to discuss pertinent issues related to UNESCO fields of competence that they will identify during a preparatory phase earlier in the year. During the forum, a series of recommended actions and priorities will be drafted to guide UNESCO’s youth actions for the next biennium. [Source: UNESCO].

For more events visit: http://www.svri.org/event-calendar

VII. Vacancies

Communications Intern / WILPF / Geneva, Switzerland / Closing date: 24 June 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Director of International Programs / Oxfam Canada / Ottawa, ON / Closing date: 26 June 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Consultant to Develop a Gender Equality Toolkit / UNHCR / Home Based / Closing date: 27 June 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Research Data Analyst / Center on Gender Equity and Health / San Diego, CA / Closing date: 29 June 2017. [Source: UCSD Blink Jobs Bulletin].

Director of Programs / Astraea / New York, USA / Closing date: 30 June 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Office Manager / The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) / Geneva, Switzerland / Closing date: 7 July 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Finance Analyst / Association for Women's Rights in Development / Toronto, Canada / Closing date: 9 July 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Financial Accountant / IWDA / Melbourne, Australia / Closing date: 13 July 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Director of Community Organizing and Public Advocacy / New York, USA / New York City Anti-Violence Project / Closing date: 15 August 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Senior Policy Advisor / Oxfam / Washington D.C, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].
Social Media Manager / The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Northern triangle senior protection specialist / International Rescue Committee / Global / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

Program Officer – Sexual Violence in Conflict Zones Program / Physicians for Human Rights / Massachusetts, USA / Closing Date: Open until filled. [Source: PHR].

DRC Coordinator, Program on Sexual Violence in Conflict Zones / Physicians for Human Rights / Bukavu, Democratic Republic of the Congo/ Closing Date: Open until filled. [Source: PHR].

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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