



Dear SVRI List Members

Every week we search the web, online news, other updates for interesting research, resources and happenings related to violence against women and other forms of violence stemming from and driving gender inequality in low and middle-income countries so you don't have to.... here's what we found....

Today's SVRI Update includes the following:

[Summaries directly taken or adapted from source]

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- I. [CLOSING SOON: Call for proposals – SVRI and the World Bank Group's Development Marketplace for Innovation on GBV Prevention and Response](#)

The SVRI on its own and in partnership with the World Bank Group has awarded more than \$3.1 million to 28 research projects in 22 countries across the globe. This year, the SVRI and the World Bank Group are seeking proposals for innovative research and interventions or related activities that will contribute to the prevention and response of GBV in low and middle-income countries.

Deadline: 6 October 2017 at 11:59:59pm South African Standard Time (4:59:59pm EST). Late applications will not be accepted.

View more information [online](#)

- II. [New SVRI Publications and Reports](#)

[Does education affect women's likelihood of experiencing sexual and intimate partner violence? SVRI, Stony Brook University, UNICEF, 2017](#): This brief explores the linkage between education and sexual and intimate partner violence.

### 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 prevalence in the elderly and associated factors: systematic review.](#)

[Warmling D, Lindner S.R, Coelho E.B.S. Cien. Saude Colet. 22\(9\), ePub, 2017:](#) In this article, authors review articles to explore intimate partner violence that occurs in elderly men and women and its associated factors (such as alcohol use, depression, low income, functional impairment and previous exposure to violence). [Source: Safetylit].

[The effect of a peer education program on combating violence against women: A randomized controlled study. Gürkan O.C, Kömürcü N. Nurse Education Today. 57, 47-53, 2017:](#)

This study assesses the effect of a peer education program about combating violence against women on the knowledge, attitudes and skills of nursing students. [Source: Science Direct].

[“If he could speak, he would be able to point out who does those things to him”: Experiences of violence and access to child protection among children with disabilities in Uganda and Malawi.](#)

[Morgon Banks L, Kelly S.A, Kyegombe N, Kuper H, Devries K. PLoS One. 12\(9\), ePub, 2017:](#) This study provides a better understanding of children with disabilities’ experiences of violence and their access to available child protection mechanisms in low resource settings. [Source: National Institutes of Health].

[Interventions to address unequal gender and power relations and improve self-efficacy and empowerment for sexual and reproductive health decision-making for women living with HIV: A systematic review. Robinson J.L, Narasimhan M, Amin A, Morse S, Beres L.K, Yeh P.T, Kennedy C.E. PLoS One. 12\(8\), ePub, 2017:](#)

In this study, authors assess the effectiveness of interventions to improve self-efficacy and empowerment of women living with HIV to make sexual and reproductive health decisions through a systematic review. [Source: PLoS One].

[Interventions to prevent child marriage among young people in low- and middle-income countries: A systematic review of the published and gray literature. Kalamar A.M, Lee-Rife S, Hindin M.J. Journal of Adolescent Health. 59\(3\), s16-s21, 2016:](#)

This article identifies high-quality interventions and evaluations to decrease child marriage in low- and middle-income countries. [Source: Science Direct].

### IV. Online Publications and Resources

[Spotlight Initiative – eliminating all forms of violence against women and girls:](#) The European Union and the United Nations are embarking on a new, global, multi-year initiative focused on eliminating all forms of violence against women and girls – The Spotlight Initiative. The Initiative aims to place this issue in the centre of efforts to achieve gender equality and women’s empowerment, in line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. [Source: UN – Spotlight Initiative].

[Technical brief: Measuring intimate partner violence. STRIVE. 2017:](#) This brief provides guidance for the non-expert on how to collect valid quantitative data on partner violence in an ethically and methodologically sound manner. [Source: STRIVE].

[Technical brief: Measuring social norms. STRIVE. 2017:](#) This brief offers guidance to researchers who are not experts on social norms but want to capture information on norms as they relate to HIV and

other health and development outcomes. [Source: STRIVE].

#### V. Research Opportunities, Grants and Funding

[Special issue call for papers: Journal of Sexual Aggression – An international, interdisciplinary forum for research, theory and practice](#): This special issue of Journal of Sexual Aggression aims to advance the theoretical and empirical knowledge base on current developments in the prevention of sexual abuse and violence. Submission deadline: 1 December 2017. [Source: Taylor & Francis Online].

#### VI. News

[Central African Republic: Sexual violence as weapon of war. Human Rights Watch News, 5 October 2017](#): Armed groups in the Central African Republic have used rape and sexual slavery as a tactic of war across the country during nearly five years of conflict, Human Rights Watch said in a report released on 5 October.

[Violence against women hurts Arab economies, UN says, Middle East Eye, 5 October 2017](#): The United Nations called on Arab countries on 5 October, to calculate the economic cost of violence against women, in a bid to promote policy reform in a region where the issue is taboo.

[Horrific accounts of sexual violence against Rohingya ‘just tip of the iceberg’ – UN agency, UN News Centre, 28 September 2017](#): Warning that the horrific accounts of rape and sexual assault against Rohingya women and girls fleeing unrest in Myanmar could be “just the tip of the iceberg,” the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) underscored the need to ensure that such violence is prevented and called for additional resources so that it can reach all those in need of assistance.

#### VII. Events

[Webinar: Change Starts at Home – Intervening on social norms to prevent intimate partner violence against women in Nepal](#): Through this webinar, LINEAR aims to address the social norms driving intimate partner violence among couples in Nepal. Register [online](#). [Source: London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine]

[Webinar: Digital storytelling for social change: Domestic violence awareness month and beyond, 10 October 2017](#): In this webinar, StoryCenter staff member, Amy Hill, will discuss the theoretical underpinnings, methods, and impacts of their domestic violence work and create space for questions and discussion about what resources and capacities are necessary for organizations interested in developing storytelling efforts for Domestic Violence Awareness Month and beyond. Register [online](#). [Source: StoryCenter].

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

#### VIII. Vacancies

[Peacebuilding Portfolio Manager](#) / International Alert / Bukavu, DRC / Closing date: 9 October 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Finance and Operations](#) / ActionAid / London or Johannesburg / Closing date: 10 October 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Program Officer](#) / Astraea / USA / Closing date: 16 October 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Technical Specialist / Technical Expert](#) / Social Development Direct / Closing date: 16 October 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Executive Director](#) / Asian/Pacific Islander Domestic Violence Resource Project / Washington DC, USA / Closing date: 20 October 2017. [Source: DVRP].

[Director of Finance and Operations](#) / AWID / Flexible / Closing date: Open Until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Technical Advisor I – Gender](#) / Jhpiego / Washington, USA / 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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