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JOURNAL ARTICLES


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ONLINE RESOURCES


Tackling the taboo: sexuality and gender transformative programmes to end child marriage. Summary Report for the Girls Not Brides 2nd Global Meeting, Malaysia, 25 - 27 June 2018: Child, Early and Forced Marriage Group and Sexuality Program Working Group was formed during the Girls Not Bride Meeting to identify comprehensive gender transformative sexuality programmes that promote bodily integrity, and result in normative changes that help end child, early and forced marriage. This report highlights the discussions that emerged during the meeting and gives a broad overview of recommendations. (Source: Care Tipping point).

She knows best: Engaging girls in adolescent programming. International Rescue Committee. 2018: This report highlights the strategy developed to address foundational facility and community-level barriers that prevent adolescents from accessing and receiving quality sexual and reproductive health services. (Source: IRC).

Masculine norms and violence: making the connections. Heilman B, Barker G. Promundo-US. 2018: This report offers an introductory-level analysis of key research findings on the links between harmful masculine norms and violent behaviours, as well as a contribution to an ongoing conversation on how to dissociate masculine norms from violence. (Source: ANROWS).

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**RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS**

**Call for Applications:** APWLD Media Fellowship. Deadline: 30 June 2018.

**Call for Nominations:** Inspiring Fifty – South Africa 2018. Deadline: 9 July 2018.

**Call for Proposals:** AWDF’s call for women-led and women’s rights groups and organisations in Africa and the Middle East under Leading from the South. Deadline: 24 July 2018.

**Call for Applications:** Girl Rising Creative Challenge. Deadline: 15 August 2018.

**Call for Contributions:** Humanitarian action and crisis response – Gender and Development. Deadline: 30 September 2018.

**Call for Papers:** The impact of politics on sexual and reproductive health and rights – Reproductive Health Matters. Deadline: 31 October 2018.

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**EVENTS**

- **Evaluation Methods for Safe Inclusive Schools**, 27-31 August 2018, University in Edinburgh, Scotland: This significant and timely one-week summer school opportunity provides an introduction to the skills needed to design, conduct or commission evaluations of violence prevention interventions in school settings.

- **Medical Women’s International Association Regional Conference**, 11-15 November 2018, Nairobi, Kenya: This conference will provide a forum for academicians, industry experts and policy makers to discuss and share knowledge about the Sustainable Developments Goals and advancements in health for women, children, and adolescents. Late abstract submissions now accepted until 31 August 2018.

**NEWS**

- Here are the world’s most dangerous countries for women right now, Huffington Post, 27 June 2018.


- Australia to launch national inquiry into workplace sexual harassment, ABC News, 20 June 2018.

- The pandemic that threatens women globally, CNN, 22 March 2018.

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**VACANCIES**

- **Senior Project Manager**, PRICELESS (Wits Health Consortium), Johannesburg, South Africa – Closing date: 29 June 2018.

- **Special Operations Coordinator**, No Means No Worldwide, USA – Closing date: 30 June 2018.

- **Advocacy and Communications Interns**, Make Every Woman Count, online – Closing date: 30 June 2018.

- **Research Officer/ Senior Research Officer**, Overseas Development Institute, London, UK – Closing date: 1 July 2018.

- **Program Manager – Humanitarian**, CARE Canada, Ottawa, Canada – Closing date: 2 July 2018.


- **Child Protection Manager (Greater Equatoria Zone)**, World Vision, South Sudan – Closing date: 10 July 2018.

- **Country Manager Nigeria**, British Red Cross, Nigeria – Closing date: 13 July 2018.

- **Deputy Executive Director/ Programmes**, ECPAT International, Bangkok, Thailand – Closing date: 18 July 2018.

- **Qualitative Interviewers**, Punjab Youth Workforce Development, USAID, Pakistan – Closing date: Open until filled.

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