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:

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I. SVRI terms of use for social media

The Sexual Violence Research Initiative updated and amended its social media terms of use document. The document serves as a guideline for posting and commenting on SVRI social media platforms such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and blog site. The document can be accessed here.

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.

"Time out": A strategy for reducing men’s violence against women in relationships? Wistow R. Kelly L. Westmarland N. Violence Against Women. 1-9, 2016: This article critically explores accounts of how men attending domestic violence perpetrator programs (DVPP) used the “time out” strategy. [Source: ANROWS].

Factors predicting central details in alleged child sexual abuse victims’ disclosure. Alonzo-Proulx A. Cyr M. Journal of Forensic Psychology Practice. 16(3): 129-150, 2016: The purpose of this study is to explore the predictive value of child sexual abuse characteristics (relationship between the child and the suspect, reported coercion, type and frequency of abuse) as well as the disclosure context (disclosure made on purpose or accidentally, maternal belief, and protective actions) on the number
of central forensically relevant (CFR) details elicited during the investigative interview of alleged child victims. [Source: ANROWS].

**Mental pain and suicidal tendencies in sexual and physical abuse victims.** Kremer I, Orbach I, Rosenbloom T. Arch. Suicide Res. ePub, 2016: This study examines the differential effects of mental pain and suicidal tendencies in female victims who have been sexually and physically abused, hypothesizing that sexual abuse victims report more mental pain and suicidal tendencies than physical abuse victims. [Source: Safetylit].

**Childhood physical and sexual abuse, and adult health risk behaviours among university students from 24 countries in Africa, the Americas and Asia.** Peltzer K, Pengpid S. Journal of psychology in Africa. 26(2): 149-155, 2016: This study explores the prevalence of childhood physical abuse and childhood sexual abuse in relation to experience of adult violence, poor mental health, addictive behaviour and sexual risk behaviour among university students from 24 countries in Africa, the Americas and Asia. [Source: Safetylit].

**Child abuse history in teen mothers and parent-child risk processes for offspring externalizing problems.** Pasalich D.S, Cyr M, Zheng Y, McMahon R.J, Speiker S.J. Child Abuse Negl. 56: 89-98, 2016: This study examines whether childhood physical and sexual child abuse history in teen mothers impacts offspring externalizing problems indirectly, through its influence on attachment and maternal hostility. [Source: Safetylit].

**Ethical considerations for clinicians treating victims and perpetrators of intimate partner violence.** McLaughlina K.D. Ethics & Behavior, 2016: This article provides a brief overview of the historical context and the current state of the literature pertaining to IPV. Then, it examines the unique ethical challenges associated with the treatment of IPV clients through APA ethics code. Login required to access the full article. [Source: ANROWS].

### III. Online publications and resources

**Understanding Violence against Women and Children in Timor-Leste: Findings from the Nabilan Baseline Study.** The Equality Institute on behalf of The Asia Foundation. 2016: This research contributes ground-breaking knowledge on violence against women in Timor-Leste, and directly addresses the gap in reliable, representative quantitative data on women’s experiences and men’s perpetration of violence. [Source: AWID].

**Promoting the rights, needs and agency of women and girls in humanitarian action.** UN Women, 2016: This brochure provides an overview and examples of how UN Women promotes gender equality and women’s empowerment in its humanitarian work around the world. [Source: UN Women].

### IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

**Call for participation: Exploring international medical student perspectives of family violence education:** Associate Professor, Jan Coles and student researcher, Ms Annabel Jones, are inviting medical students to partake in their global research on family violence education. The research involves a 30 minutes skype or phone interview on addressing student perspectives on family violence education, preferred teaching methods (content/delivery) and student opinion on the WHO pre-service guidelines. To participate in the study please email Ms Annabel Jones at asjon6@student.monash.edu or Associate Professor Jan Coles at Jan.Coles@monash.edu
Call for participation: Seeking researchers and women’s organizations for UN study: The Women’s Human Rights Institute (WHRI) is undertaking a two-year research and advocacy project to promote participation in data gathering for the upcoming thematic report of the UN Working Group on Discrimination against Women in Law and Practice (UNWGDAW) on “good practices” in addressing discrimination and promoting women’s self-empowerment. To apply email your CV, letter of interest, names and contact information of two professional and/or academic references, and a writing sample in English, (all in a single Word or PDF document, please) to research@learnwhr.org. Application deadline: 30 May 2016. [Source: ANROWS].

Call for expression of interest: UNFPA Myanmar seeks Expressions of Interest from potential institutions to work as implementing partners under the Women and Girls First Programme (WGFP). WGFP is a multi-donor investment aimed at contributing to addressing gender based violence through (a) ensuring access to justice, (b) supporting women and girls' economic empowerment, (c) facilitating policy development, (d) enhancing the women, peace and security agenda, and (e) ensuring access to quality sexual and reproductive health and gender based violence response services. NGOs (national/international), academic institutions, inter-governmental institutions not part of the UN systems are eligible to apply. Applications close: 10 June 2016. [Source: UNFPA].

V. Advocacy and awareness-raising

Blog post: What Works in Preventing Gender Based Violence? 24 May 2016: Our knowledge of what works in preventing gender based violence is increasing, but there is very little implementation and scale up of effective prevention interventions. This blog summarises some of the key messages that Ms Elizabeth Dartnall acquired from Prof Jewkes presentation on what works in preventing gender based violence. The blog is available online.

Blog post: World Humanitarian Summit, Side Event: Evidence for Religious Groups’ Contributions to Humanitarian Response, 23 May 2016: The first World Humanitarian Summit, convening in Istanbul, May 2016, aims to set a new agenda for global humanitarian action. In support of the Summit, the Joint Learning Initiative on Faith & Local Communities has produced five Evidence Briefs, structured according to the five Core Responsibilities outlined in the UN Secretary General’s Report One Humanity, Shared Responsibility. Read this blog online.

VI. News

Head of UN mission in Central African Republic pledges to end troop abuses, The Guardian, 26 May 2016: The head of the UN mission in Central African Republic (CAR) has vowed to do everything possible to wipe out sexual exploitation and abuse by his troops, pledging to bring about a rebirth of peacekeeping.

FGM guidelines urge physicians to treat practice as abuse not ‘cultural’ issue, HuffPost Impact, 24 May 2016: Properly treating survivors of FGM involves both medical and psychological support. The FGM guidelines recommend treatment for depression and anxiety disorders and counselling to help women improve their sexual health.

Countering Zika: Women’s Right to self-determination must be central, AWID news and analysis, 24 May 2016: Policymakers and public health officials in a number of countries—in particular, those in Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as in the United States—are scrambling to counter the threat of the Zika virus, which has been causally linked to an increase in births of infants with microcephaly, a condition in which children have unusually small heads.
Angelina Jolie to teach course on ending violence against women in conflict, HuffPost Impact, 23 May 2016: Hollywood actress Angelina Jolie is to join the London School of Economics (LSE) as a visiting professor on a new master's course on women, peace and security, the school announced on Monday, 23 May 2016.

Women and girls must be at centre of any refugee response, Women's eNews, 23 May 2016: While concentrating on the events in Europe, the media has ignored the heavy burden that women bear in the many regions toxic with violent conflict. World leaders at the Humanitarian Summit have an opportunity to step up for the millions of women and girls caught in intersecting forms of discrimination in perilous refugee crises.

Women not adequately protected from sexual violence in Asian countries: Research, Mid-day, 21 May 2016: A set of research studies on sexual violence in the South Asian region, conducted by Zubaan, show that inadequate measures exist for the protection of women from sexual violence while the present legal and social systems lend impunity to perpetrators.

VII. Events

"Prevalent and Preventable": International conference on violence against women, 19-22 September 2016, Australia: The Australian Women Against Violence Alliance (AWAVA) in conjunction with Our Watch, supported by WESNET (Women's Service Network) invite you to attend the international conference on violence against women. Register online. [Source: ANROWS].

Lancet Commission on Adolescent Health & Wellbeing, 09 June 2016, Washington DC, USA: Dr. George Patton, Chair of the Lancet Commission on Adolescent Health and Wellbeing, will kick off the event by presenting findings on – and recommendations to improve – the status of adolescent health and wellbeing worldwide. This presentation will be followed by a panel discussion from experts representing USAID, the World Bank, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and others, focused on current opportunities to integrate findings and recommendations into future policies and programs. [Source: ICRW].

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

VIII. Vacancies

Researchers and Women's Organizations for UN Study / Women’s Human Rights Institute / Global / Closing date: 30 May 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Development and Evaluation Fellow / Women LEAD / Kathmandu, Nepal / Closing date: 31 May 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Technical Lead / Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) / London, UK / Closing date: 01 June 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Mid / Senior Consultant - Women’s Economic Empowerment / Social Development Direct (SDDirect) / Closing date: 01 June 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Consultancy to undertake the Members’ Capacity Needs Assessment / FEMNET / Nairobi, Kenya / Closing date: 02 June 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].
Prevention Educator (X2) / University of California, Berkeley / Berkeley, California / Closing date: 6 June 2016. [Source: Prevent Connect].


Administrative Project Analyst / University of California, Berkeley / Berkeley, California / Closing date: 6 June 2016. [Source: Prevent Connect].

Programme Coordinator / Coalition of African Lesbians / sub-Saharan Africa / Closing date: 10 June 2016. [Source: Prevent Connect].

Child Protection Coordinator / International Rescue Committee / Greece / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Technical Advisor / Gender Health Unit, International Rescue Committee/ New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Country Director / American Bar Association / Bahrain / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Gender Land Tenure Specialist / Landesa Center for Women’s Land Rights / Seattle or Washington DC, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Communications Officer / Marie Stopes International-US / Washington DC, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Gender & Empowerment Impact Measurement Senior Advisor / CARE / Atlanta, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

Senior Program Officer, Gender Equality / Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation / Seattle, 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.

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