



Dear SVRI 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](mailto:svri@mrc.ac.za). For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit [www.svri.org](http://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.](#) [Call for Applications from NGOs: Program to support participation of youth researchers at SVRI Forum](#)

As part of the "[Being Heard](#)" Project, the SVRI is undertaking a process to recruit 10 young researchers between the ages of 18-24 to attend the upcoming [SVRI Forum 2017](#) as well as 5 facilitators to support them to participate at the conference. The Forum is scheduled to take place from the 18-21 September in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

Applications should be submitted by NGOs based in East Africa, Eastern Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean that work with young people and children and have experience undertaking participatory research with young people affected by violence.

If you are interested in applying, please send us an email at [svri@mrc.ac.za](mailto:svri@mrc.ac.za) requesting the RFP and

application form.

For any additional information, please contact the Forum organizers by email at: ellenhagerman@gmail.com.

## 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.***

[Boys are not exempt: Sexual exploitation of adolescents in sub-Saharan Africa. Adjei J.K, Saewyc E.M. Child Abuse Negl. 65, 14-23, 2017:](#) This study examines whether boys' reporting of sexual exploitation was linked to similar risky sexual behaviours as has been noted among girls in sub-Saharan Africa. [Source: Safetylit].

[Tools to assess psychological trauma and its correlates in child sexual abuse: A review and current needs in Asia. Satapathy S, Choudhary V, Sagar R. Asian Journal of Psychiatry. 25, 60-73, 2017:](#) This review offers a reference to practitioners regarding clinical utility of tools to assess psychological trauma and its correlates in child sexual abuse, and also provides a guide in the direction of culture specific modifications. [Source: ScienceDirect].

[Risk factors for PTSD and depression in female survivors of rape. Mbalo N, Zhang M, Ntuli S. Psychol. Trauma. ePub, 2017:](#) This research investigates association of the sociodemographic factors, characteristics of rape and social support to the development of depression and posttraumatic stress disorder at 6 months after the rape. [Source: Safetylit].

[Effects of socioeconomic status and social support on violence against pregnant women: a structural equation modeling analysis. Ribeiro M.R, Silva A.A, Alves M.T, Batista R.F, Ribeiro C.C, Schraiber L.B, Bettiol H, Barbieri M.A. PLoS One. 12\(1\), 2017:](#) This study analyses the effects of socioeconomic status and social support on violence against pregnant women who used prenatal services. [Source: Safetylit]

[Children's voices in research with children exposed to intimate partner violence: a critical review. Åkerlund N, Gottzén L. Nord. Soc. Work Res. 7\(1\), 42-53, 2017:](#) This article discusses qualitative research with children exposed to intimate partner violence, and explores the methodological issues of children's voices. [Source: Safetylit].

[The intersection of interpersonal and self-directed violence among general adult, college student and sexually diverse samples. Cramer R.J, Desmarais S.L, Johnson K.L, Gemberling T.M, Nobles M.R, Holley S.R, Wright S, Van Dorn R. Int J Soc Psychiatry. 63\(1\), 78-85, 2017:](#) This article identifies the frequency and overlap of suicide and interpersonal violence, and characteristics differentiating subgroups of violence-related experiences. [Source: PubMed].

[Psychosocial risk and protective factors associated with perpetration of gender-based violence in a community sample of men in rural KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. Mngoma N, Fergus S, Jeeves A, Jolly R. S Afr Med J. 106\(12\), 1211-1215, 2016:](#) This study examines the psychosocial risk factors (symptoms of anxiety and depression) as well as protective factors (social support and self-esteem) as self-reported by a cohort of males in rural KwaZulu-Natal Province, South Africa and further determines whether there are differences in anxiety, depression, social support and self-esteem between perpetrators and non-perpetrators. [Source: Health Systems Trust].

### III. Online publications and resources

[Listening to male survivors of church sexual abuse: Voices from survivors of sodalicio abuses in Peru.](#) Figueroa R, Tombs D. the Centre for Theology and Public Issues, University of Otago. 2016:

This research explores the impact of church-related sexual abuse on male survivors of church sexual violence and identifies the short and long-term psychological and spiritual consequences associated with it. [Source: Centre for Theology and Public Issues].

[Thematic report: Placing children's voices at the heart of organisations that serve them – Lessons from governance with children who have experienced commercial sexual exploitation.](#) Hart R, Ataman A, Kimiagar B. ECPAT International, Children's Environment Research Group. 2016:

This report highlights the need to engage young people at all levels, including in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals, in line with the fundamental concept of children's rights. [Source: ECPAT International].

[Live respects - Coaching healthy and respectful manhood: Educator guide with lessons. A CALL TO MEN.](#) 2015:

This curriculum provides coaches, educators and mentors with tools to help raise awareness about healthy, respectful manhood and prevent violence and discrimination against all women and girls. [Source: WUNRN].

### IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Call for papers: International Journal of Qualitative Methods:](#) IJQM publishes papers for all those who use qualitative methods, either individually or as part of mixed methods studies. Writers are encouraged to make their work accessible, useful, and usable to readers from different disciplines and professional groups. Submit your papers [online](#).

### V. Advocacy and awareness raising

[Petition: Sign on to ask President Trump to #BeAModelMan:](#) Promundo, along with the Representation Project, released an [open letter](#), signed by high-profile male activists, actors, and academics calling on President Trump to respect women's rights and to [#BeAModelMan](#). For those who haven't already, please sign your name on the [online petition](#), and share your support using [#BeAModelMan](#) on social media platforms. [Source: Promundo].

[Blog: Trauma research - Survivor and trauma counselling experiences in Uganda. 19 November 2016:](#) 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. Read [more](#).

### VI. Awards

[Call for nominations: 2017 World of Children Awards:](#) 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 organization, 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].

## VII. News

[Feminist standpoints on the Global Gag Rule, AWID news and analysis, 1 February 2017](#): In the wake of the 'Global Gag Rule' (GGR)'s reinstatement, AWID representatives asked women's rights and feminist organisations around the world what this means for their work with women and sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), and how the news of the GGR and the Dutch fund will affect women in their regions.

[UN fund allocates \\$6 million to help thousands in violence-hit parts of Central African Republic, UN News, 31 January 2017](#): The top United Nations relief official today approved an allocation from the Organization's humanitarian emergency response fund to assist the response to new emergencies triggered by a surge of violence in the Central African Republic's Kaga Bandoro, Bambari and Bria areas.

['World must implement pledges on women's human rights', IPS news, 31 January 2017](#): "Women's economic empowerment in the changing world of work" will provide concrete, practical and action-oriented recommendations that will cover significant new ground, on overcoming structural barriers to gender equality, gender-based discrimination and violence against women at work, a senior United Nations official stressed.

[Experts hope Costa Rica child marriage ban curbs teen pregnancy, Thomson Reuters Foundation news, 26 January 2017](#): Costa Rica has raised the minimum age for marriage to 18 under a law that experts hope will prevent teen pregnancy and girls dropping out of school, but enforcement could be a challenge among indigenous communities where child marriage is prevalent.

## VIII. Events

[Webinar: Intertwined and aligned - Supporting health equity and justice in sexual and domestic violence prevention, 15 February 2017](#): This web conference engages participants in a conversation about similarities and differences between health equity and intersectionality, as well as the larger structural drivers that influence community determinants of sexual and domestic violence. [Source: Prevent Connect].

## IX. Vacancies

[Editor](#) / OpenDemocracy 50.50 / Global / Closing date: 3 February 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Community Education and Mobilisation Manager](#) / Sonke Gender Justice / Western Cape, South Africa / Closing date: 10 February 2017. [Source: Sonke Gender Justice].

[Support Coordinator](#) / Norwegian Refugee Council / Herat, Afghanistan / Closing date: 13 February 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

[Associate Project Analyst](#) / Asian Development Bank / Dhaka, Bangladesh / Closing date: 14 February 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

[Associate Project Officer](#) / Asian Development Bank / Manila, Philippines / Closing date: 15 February 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

[Eurasia Project Support Officer](#) / International Alert / London, UK / Closing date: 19 February 2017.

[Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Chief Child Protection](#) / UNICEF / Maputo, Mozambique / Closing date: 20 February 2017. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

[Manager of Global Digital Strategies](#) / The Center for Reproductive Rights / New York, 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. To learn more about the SVRI visit our website [www.svri.org](http://www.svri.org) or contact us at [svri@mrc.ac.za](mailto:svri@mrc.ac.za)

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