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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.

Today's SVRI Update includes the following:
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[I. Young Researcher's Participation in SVRI Forum 2017 Call for Applications closes soon!](#)

The call for applications for young researcher's participation in SVRI Forum 2017 closes on Monday, the 13th of March 2017. This is an invitation to organizations based in Sub-Saharan Africa, Eastern Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean to participate in a selection process to identify 10 young researchers between the ages of 18-24 to attend the upcoming SVRI Forum 2017 as well as 5 facilitators to support them. The youth should have experience undertaking participatory research with young people affected by violence.

RFP available [here](#) and the application form [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.

[Exposing the culture of silence: inhibiting factors in the prevention, treatment, and mitigation of sexual abuse in the Eastern Caribbean. Jeremiah R.D, Quinn C.R, Alexis J.M. Child Abuse Negl. ePub, 2017:](#) This article explores the presence of adverse childhood experiences, including childhood sexual abuse and neglect, among women associated with Partnership for Peace (PfP), the first and only culturally adapted domestic violence diversion program for men in the Eastern Caribbean. [Source: Safetylit].

[Implementation of a family planning clinic-based partner violence and reproductive coercion intervention: Provider and patient perspectives. Miller E, McCauley H.L, Decker M.R, Levenson R, Zelazny S, Jones K.A, Anderson H, Silverman J.G. Perspect Sex Reprod Health. 2017:](#) This study explores service providers' and patients' perspectives on clinic-based services to identify and support women victimized by partner violence. [Source: PubMed].

[A national survey of attitudes toward intimate partner violence among married women in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan: Implications for health prevention and intervention. Joshi M, Childress S. Soc Work Health Care. 56\(4\), 294-319, 2017:](#) This study examines attitudes toward IPV and socio-demographic predictors of these attitudes among married women in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan. [Source: PubMed].

[The contribution of gender-based violence and network trauma to gender differences in Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder. Silove D, Baker J.R, Mohsin M, Teesson M, Creamer M, O'Donnell M, Forbes D, Carragher N, Slade T, Mills K, Bryant R, McFarlane A, Steel Z, Felmingham K, Rees S. PLoS ONE 12\(2\), 2017:](#) This study examines data from a nationally representative sample of the Australian population to clarify the characteristics of network trauma and gender based violence in their contributions to PTSD rates in men and women. [Source: PLoS ONE].

[Rigged or rigorous? Partnerships for research and evaluation of complex social problems: Lessons from the field of violence against women and girls. Zimmerman C, Michau L, Hossain M, Kiss L, Borland R, Watts C. J Public Health Policy. 37 Suppl 1, 95-109, 2016:](#) This research describes challenges and contributions that NGO/IO and academic partners can make at different stages of the research process and the effects that collaborations can have on scientific inquiry. [Source: PubMed].

[A social identity approach to understanding responses to child sexual abuse allegations. Minto K, Hornsey M.J, Gillespie N, Healy K, Jetten J. PLoS ONE 11\(4\), 2016:](#) This study investigates the role of group allegiances in contributing to the failure of institutions to appropriately respond to allegations of child sexual abuse. [Source: PLoS ONE].

III. Online publications and resources

[5 resources to help prepare your paper for submission:](#) This webpage offers five essential resources that are helpful in preparing a journal paper for submission. [Source: SAGE Open].

[Gender socialization during adolescence in low- and middle-income countries: Conceptualization, influences and outcomes. John N.A, Stoebenau K, Ritter S, Edmeades J, Balvin N. Innocenti Discussion Papers. 2017:](#) This paper set out to provide a conceptual understanding of the gender socialization process during adolescence, its influences and outcomes, and practical suggestions on how to use this knowledge in the design of policies and programmes to improve gender equality. [Source: UNICEF Office of Research – Innocenti].

[Female genital mutilation/cutting and violence against women and girls: Strengthening the policy linkages between different forms of violence. UN Women, UNFPA, UNICEF. 2017](#): This policy note is intended for multiple audiences, including those directly involved in policy development, planning and implementing initiatives, those providing technical support, and advocates for ending all forms of VAWG, including FGM/C. [Source: UN Women].

[Global rape epidemic: The world's shame - How laws around the world are failing to protect women and girls from sexual violence. Equality Now. 2017](#): This report looks at how gaps in terms of laws that seek to protect women and girls from sexual violence around the world. [Source: WUNRN].

[The other side of gender inequality: Men and masculinities in Afghanistan. Echavez C.R, Mosawi S, Pilongo W. L. R.E. Kabul: Afghanistan Research and Evaluation Unit, 2016](#): This report seeks in-depth understanding of different notions of being a man in Afghanistan and how they contribute to gender inequality. [Source: Gender Department at Afghanistan Research and Evaluation Unit, Afghanistan].

IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Funding opportunity: MEASURE Evaluation research support in family planning](#): The MEASURE Evaluation project is pleased to announce a request for applications for its small grants program to increase the evidence base in routine health information systems (RHIS) in family planning and reproductive health (FP/RH). The small grants are intended to support primary and secondary data analysis – especially national and sub-national program or policy evaluation. Applications should be email to measure_rfp@unc.edu by 29 March 2017. [Source: MEASURE Evaluation].

[Call for papers: Women and Extreme Violence](#): Violence and Gender is seeking high quality research on the topic of violence involving transgender individuals to publish in the winter issue of 2017. The issue will provide a broad overview of the current state of affairs on a national and international scale. Deadline: 31 May 2017. [Source: Violence and Gender].

[Call for papers: Special issue on internet and sexual violence against children and adolescents](#): The goal of this special issue of the Canadian Review of Sociology is to publish high quality texts analysing sexual violence against children and adolescents committed through Internet (or related information and communication technologies), as well as social, moral and political aspects associated to these crimes. Papers should be sent through the Canadian Review of Sociology website <https://www.csa-scs.ca/canadian-review/>. Deadline: 1 September 2017. [Source: Hivos].

V. Advocacy and awareness raising

[Petition: My Body. My Future](#): In Uganda, 1 in 4 teenage girls are either pregnant or already have had their first child. Young campaigners in Uganda being supported by Plan International invite you to sign the petition to help girls in Uganda access better sexual health services. [Source: Plan International].

[Blogpost: Do gender equitable attitudes signify a shift in violent behaviours? Questions arising out of VAW prevention intervention experiences in Bougainville, PNG, 6 March 2017](#): The International Women's Day, March 8th, was an opportunity to reflect on our work to prevent violence against women and girls (VAWG) and some challenges to measure the effects of programmes which contribute directly to Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) target 5.2 and to the achievement of all of the SDGs. Read more [here](#).

VI. Websites

[Feminist Alliance for Rights](#): The Feminist Alliance for Rights – FAR (formerly the Post-2015 Women’s Coalition) is beginning a new phase of its work based on an intersectional human rights framework, as a result of strong collaboration and led by women’s organizations in the Global South. The website offers publications, events and information about the work done by FAR. [Source: WUNRN].

VII. News

[International Women's Day 2017: protests, activism and a strike – as it happened, The Guardian, 9 March 2017](#): Live global coverage of International Women’s Day 2017 as events took place around the world to mark the ongoing fight for equality.

[International Women’s Day 2017: Five things you need to know, The Independent, 8 March 2017](#): Wednesday 8 March was International Women's Day, an event held around the world to commemorate the struggle for women's rights. This news bulletin highlights five most important things to note about this day.

[Women and girls, one third of world’s drug users, IPS News, 7 March 2017](#): Citing a significant rise over the past year in the number of women dying from drug overdoses globally, the Vienna-based International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) warned that women and girls comprise one-third of global drug users.

[For societies to thrive, we must ensure gender equality, The Huffington Post, 7 March 2017](#): Despite stupendous advancements in science and technology, it has taken mankind two millennia to fully realize the critical role of women in the global social and economic transformation.

VIII. Events

[UN Women / ILO CSW side event - Ending violence against women: Prevention and response in the world of work, 16 March 2017, New York, USA](#): This event should contribute to highlighting key trends, challenges and opportunities to step up efforts for preventing and eliminating all forms of violence and harassment in the world of work. [Source: UN Women].

[Webinar: Public health approach to preventing human trafficking, 23 March 2017](#): This web conference will explore the problematic nature of human trafficking in our communities through the public health lens and how it is linked to sexual violence and domestic violence. [Source: Prevent Connect].

IX. Vacancies

[Development Coordinator](#) / The New York City Anti-Violence Project / New York, USA / Closing date: 10 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Executive Director](#) / AdvocAid / Sierra Leone / Closing date: 10 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Deputy Director and Legal Officer](#) / AdvocAid / Freetown, Sierra Leone / Closing date: 15 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Technical Director](#) / Social Development Direct / Central London / Closing date: 31 March 2017.

[Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Global Safety and Security Advisor](#) / Care Canada / Worldwide / Closing date: Open until filled.

[Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender and Social Inclusion Manager – Ethiopian Nationals Only](#) / Banyan Global / Ethiopia / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Emergency Response Specialist – WASH](#) / CARE Canada / Home based / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

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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