



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:  
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#### [I. New SVRI Publications and Reports](#)

[Comparative study: September 2016-April 2017. Changes caused by the optional course "harmonious family relationships", at the level of perceptions, stereotypes and attitudes. International Center" La Strada". 2017:](#) This report describes the impact of the optional course "Harmonious family relationships" to prevent gender based partner violence among youth, and identifies the possibilities to improve some aspects of the optional course.

#### [II. SVRI Member's Request](#)

**Request for rigorously evaluated studies of interventions implemented with forcibly displaced populations:** A collaboration between the world Bank Group and the International Rescue Committee seeks to summarize evidence related to interventions implemented with forcibly displaced populations. They are looking for research from a broad range of sectors including economic empowerment/livelihood support, education, health, nutrition and food safety, water and sanitation, infrastructure and social protection. The target population of the interventions should include at least 10% of people who are identified as being affected by forced displacement.

You are requested to send links to studies that you may have come across recently which evaluate interventions with this population to: Diana Jimena Arango at [darango@worldbank.org](mailto:darango@worldbank.org) by 13

November 2017.

### 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.**

[Predictors of interpersonal violence in the household in humanitarian settings: A systematic review. Rubenstein B.L, Zhi Ning Lu L, MacFarlane M, Stark L. Trauma, Violence and Abuse. ePub, 2017:](#) Interpersonal violence against women and children has increasingly been recognized as a public health priority in humanitarian emergencies. In this study, authors identify predictors of household violence in humanitarian emergencies. [Source: Columbia University].

[Enduring impact of conflict on mental health and gender-based violence perpetration in Bougainville, Papua New Guinea: A cross-sectional study. Jewkes R, Jama-Shai N, Sikweyiya Y. PLoS One. 12\(10\), e0186062, 2017:](#) This article describes the conflict experiences of men and women from the general population of Bougainville Papua New Guinea, perceptions of the enduring impact of conflict, and the associations between these and the major health and development problems on the islands, mental ill-health and violence against women. [Source: Safetylit].

[Association between intimate partner violence & HIV/AIDS: exploring the pathways in Indian Context. Patrikar S, Basannar D, Bhatti V, Chatterjee K, Mahen A. Indian J. Med. Res. 145\(6\), 815-823, 2017:](#) This study examines the prevalence along with predictors of intimate partner violence and its association with HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections in Indian ever-married women. [Source: Safetylit].

[Intimate partner violence and pregnancy: screening and intervention. Chisholm C.A, Bullock L, Ferguson J.E. American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology. 217\(2\), 145-149, 2017:](#) This study reviews current recommendations for intimate partner violence screening and the evidence surrounding the effectiveness of intimate partner violence interventions. [Source: Science Direct].

['They love us just the way they love a woman': gender identity, power and transactional sex between men who have sex with men and transgender women in Timor-Leste. Niven H, Jose H, Rawstorne P, Nathan S. Cult Health Sex. ePub, 2017:](#) This article investigates sexual and social identities and roles, including sexual practices, among men who have sex with men and transgender women in Timor-Leste. [Source: PubMed].

### IV. Online Publications and Resources

[Infographic: Intimate Partner Violence – An avoidable burden on the health of women and their children:](#) This infographic shows the prevalence of intimate partner violence in Australia. [Source: ANROWS].

[The global state of evidence on interventions to prevent child marriage. GIRL Center research brief No.1. Chae S, Ngo T.D. New York: Population Council:](#) This research brief exclusively reviews evidence from rigorously evaluated child marriage prevention interventions conducted over the past 20 years and builds on previous reviews by incorporating new results. [Source: Population Council].

### V. Research Opportunities, Grants and Funding

[Call for applications: U.S. Embassy in Morocco – 2018 SUSI for Student Leaders on Women's](#)

[Leadership Program](#): The Study of the U.S. Institutes (SUSI) for Student Leaders are intensive short term academic programs whose purpose is to provide groups of undergraduate student leaders with a deeper understanding of the United States, while simultaneously enhancing their leadership skills. This particular institute is open ONLY to Moroccan female applicants. Deadline: 30 November 2017. [Source: Funds for NGOs].

[Request for proposals: GenderPro – Credentialing and Capacity Building Program](#): UNICEF is developing and implementing GenderPro, a gender capacity building and credentialing initiative, with the objective of enhancing the gender expertise of development professionals while contributing to the greater professionalization of the gender and development field. They are seeking proposals from learning organizations with a focus on health, WASH, nutrition, education, protection etc. And as always, encouraging applications from around the globe. Deadline: 6 December 2017. [Source: Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation].

[Request for applications: SAMRC PhD scholarships](#): The South African Medical Research Council invites research proposals from South African citizens or permanent residents for PhD scholarships for a full-time study opportunity at a Swiss university or an institution affiliated to a Swiss University in the field of health and/or clinical research. Deadline: 15 December 2017. [Source: SAMRC].

## VI. [Advocacy and Awareness Raising](#)

[2017 call to action: prevention kit](#): Prevention Kit is central to the campaign “19 Days of activism for prevention of violence against children and youth, 1-19 November”. The kit is designed to assist you in familiarizing yourself with the main theme of the year, which is “Ending Harmful Traditional Practices”. The Kit will assist you in planning own activities and events, be it at a local, national or international level. [Source: WUNRN].

## VII. [News](#)

[New action plan addresses gender-based violence in World Bank operations, The World Bank news, 8 November 2017](#): On 8 November 2017, The World Bank released an action plan outlining administrative and operational measures being undertaken to help prevent and respond appropriately to incidences of sexual exploitation and abuse, as well as other forms of gender-based violence in World Bank supported projects.

[Rate of sexual violence against women has risen dramatically since 2012 – ABS says, The Guardian, 8 November 2017](#): The Bureau of Statistics has released new data on “personal safety” that focuses on partner violence, emotional abuse, sexual harassment, threats of physical assault and episodes of stalking in Australia.

[Uber pledges \\$5 million to prevent sexual assault and domestic violence, Huffington Post, 6 November 2017](#): According to a press release sent to HuffPost, Uber is giving \$5 million over the next five years to fund programs inside and outside of the tech company. The funding will go towards prevention initiative programs, educational resources about sexual and domestic violence to drivers and riders, and implementing employee education and training.

[How climate change drives child marriage, News Deeply, 6 November 2017](#): As extreme weather and natural disasters destroy livelihoods, desperation, insecurity and hunger are driving families to marry off their daughters, often with devastating consequences.

## VIII. Events

[Webinar: Youth with sexual behaviour problems – practice resources and activities for therapists working with youth and their families, 14 November 2017](#): This webinar is based on Rene McCreary's upcoming guide "Youth with sexual behaviour problems: a practical guide for therapists working with youth and their families," intended for therapists who work with youth who exhibit sexually problematic behaviours and their families. [Source: NEARI press].

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

## IX. Vacancies

[Child Protection Specialist](#) / UNICEF / Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso / Closing date: 11 November 2017. [Source: Funds for NGOs].

[Director, Country Presence, Relevance and Impact](#) / CARE Canada / Ottawa, Canada / Closing date: 12 November 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[National Project Coordinator](#) / UN Women / Honiara, Solomon Islands / Closing date: 13 November 2017. [Source: Funds for NGOs].

[Senior Humanitarian Policy Adviser](#) / ActionAid UK / London, UK / Closing date: 16 November 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Head of Programme Quality and Assurance](#) / ActionAid UK / London, UK / Closing date: 16 November 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Director of Community Engagement Programs](#) / National Latina Institute for Reproductive Health (NLIRH) / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Senior Director, Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning](#) / The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Director of strategy and operations](#) / Prevention Collaborative / Global / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: Prevention Collaborative].

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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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