



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](#)

[SVRI Forum 2017: Conference Brief](#): The SVRI Forum 2017 brought together more than 535 researchers, gender activists, funders, policy makers and service providers from all global regions in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 18-21 September 2017. This our biggest Forum yet, with over [280 presentations](#), [6 guest speakers](#), 2 networking events, [14 side events](#), [12 exhibition stands](#), [9 pre-conference capacity building workshops](#), [young researchers programme](#) and graffiti and [storytelling workshop](#).

We are pleased to share this short brief on [SVRI Forum 2017](#) which provides more detail on the event and key lessons learned from the rich discussions and quality presentations from the congress.

We look forward to seeing you all at [SVRI Forum 2019](#) in Cape Town, South Africa, 16-19 September 2019.

[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.

[Recommendations for responding to survivors of sexual assault: A qualitative study of survivors and support providers. Kirkner A, Lorenz K, Ullman S.E. Journal of Interpersonal Violence. ePub, 2017:](#)
This study examines recommendations for responding to survivors on what is needed in the

aftermath of sexual assault. [Source: ANROWS].

[Randomised controlled trial of a livestock productive asset transfer programme to improve economic and health outcomes and reduce intimate partner violence in a post conflict setting. Glass N, Perrin N.A, Kohli A, Campbell J, Mpanano Remy M. BMJ Glob Health. 2\(1\), e000165, 2017:](#) This study evaluates the effectiveness of an innovative livestock productive asset transfer intervention—Pigs for Peace (PFP)—on economic, health and women's empowerment outcomes with participants in households in 10 villages in Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo. [Source: NCBI].

[Preventing gender-based violence victimization in adolescent girls in lower-income countries: Systematic review of reviews. Yount K.M, Krause K.H, Miedema S.S. Social Science & Medicine. 192, 1-13, 2017:](#) This systematic review of reviews synthesizes evidence on the impact of interventions to prevent violence against adolescent girls and young women 10–24 years in low- and middle-income countries. [Source: ScienceDirect].

[Preventing violence against children in schools: contributions from the Be Safe program in Sri Lanka. Lam S, Zwart C, Chahal I, Lane D, Cummings H. Child Abuse Negl. 76, 129-137, 2017:](#) This study evaluates the effectiveness of a school-based program aimed to prevent and respond to physical, sexual, and psychological violence against children in Sri Lanka. [Source: Safetylit].

[Police violence in four U.S. cities. Fedina L, Backes B.L, Jun H.J, Shah R, Nam B, Link B, DeVlyder J.E. Preventive Medicine. ePub, 2017:](#) This study examines sociodemographic correlates to better understand the nature and extent of police violence among women in the U.S. and examines the relationship between intimate partner violence, non-partner sexual violence, and police violence exposures. [University of Maryland].

[Making meaning from data on school-related gender-based violence by examining discourse and practice: insights from a mixed methodology study in Ghana and Mozambique. Heslop J, Parkes J, Januario F, Sabaa S. Compare: A Journal of Comparative and International Education. ePub, 2017:](#) In this article, the authors share an analytical approach using mixed methods data on sexual violence in and around schools in Ghana, Kenya and Mozambique, arguing that understanding the interplay between discourse and practice can help us understand 'what works' to address school-related gender-based violence. [Source: University College London].

III. Online Publications and Resources

[No more 'harmful traditional practices': working effectively with faith leaders. Le Roux E, Bartelink B.E. Tearfund. 2017:](#) This is a Synthesis report of the UK-Government funded project: 'Working effectively with faith leaders to challenge harmful traditional practices'. [Source: JLI].

[Policy brief: Masculinities, violence against women in leadership and participation in transitional societies – Burundi and Guatemala. Impunity Watch. 2017:](#) This latest Policy Brief provides a country specific and thematic contribution to tackle the persistent gap on gender norms, men and masculinities in the full implementation of UNSCR 1325. [Source: Impunity Watch].

[Country profile: FMG in Eritrea. 28 Too Many. 2017:](#) This report provides an analysis of the latest data on female genital mutilation prevalence and information available on efforts to end the practice in Eritrea. [Source: 28 Too Many].

IV. Research Opportunities, Grants and Funding

[4th Aegis call for proposals: Inviting Rwandan researchers to develop policy-relevant academic papers](#): The Aegis Trust has launched a fourth call for proposals by Rwandan researchers, as part of its Research, Policy and Higher Education programme funded by Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency. The programme supports Rwandan researchers to develop policy-relevant academic papers and associated policy briefs on a range of topics related to genocide prevention and peace building. Deadline: 19 November 2017. [Source: Aegis].

[Call for applications: Researching gender-based violence – methods and meaning short course](#): The London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine seeks applications for the course to be taking place from 12-16 February 2018. This course aims to strengthen participants' knowledge and skills to conduct or commission technically rigorous, ethical and policy- and service-relevant research on various forms of violence against women. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis until the course is filled. [Source: LSHTM].

V. Blogs

[Professionals leave but the abuse and control continue, Lisa Aronson Fontes, 14 November 2017](#): In this blogpost, Lisa shares how abuse and control persist long after professionals think “the case” is closed.

[Bridging the gap between research and policy: recommendations for social science research in low/middle-income countries, Sarah Morton, 6 November 2017](#): This blog offers recommendations for bridging the gap between research and policy in low and middle income countries. It further highlights practical solutions that acknowledge this challenge and describes ways in which future research could influence change and maximise impact at the policy level. [Source: London School of Economics and Political Science].

VI. News

[Australians decisively support same-sex marriage, BBC News, 15 November 2017](#): Australians have overwhelmingly voted in favour of legalising same-sex marriage in a historic poll.

[TripAdvisor icon will identify hotels where sexual assault occurred, The New York Time, 8 November 2017](#): Responding to what one travel expert categorized as “a wake-up call,” TripAdvisor has begun placing symbols next to hotels and resorts that have been identified as locations of sexual assault and other major concerns.

[It will take 217 years to close the gender gap. Here's what you need to know, The Telegraph, 2 November 2017](#): The gender gap across the world widened for the first time in a decade in 2017, as the situation worsened for women in 60 countries. At the current rate, women are not likely to reach economic parity with men until 2234, according to the World Economic Forum.

VII. Events

[Make a stand against violence against women and girls, 27 November 2017, London, UK](#): Against Violence and Abuse (AVA), supported by The Foundry, invites you to an interactive event to mark this year's 16 days of Action to eliminate Violence against Women and Girls. In this event, AVA will be challenging organisations to make a [short pledge](#) to join the movement to prevent gender based violence and abuse. AVA will take a photo of you with your organisation's pledge and tweet it, and there will be prizes for the best pledges. [Source: AVA].

[Report launch: “No safe place – A lifetime of violence for conflict affected women and girls in South Sudan, 29 November 2017](#): Global Women's Institute and the International Rescue Committee invites you to the launch of their research report on gender-based violence during times of conflict and crisis in South Sudan. [Source: Global Women's Institute].

[Connecting the Dots: The intersection of violence against women and children, 1 December 2017, Washington DC, USA](#): Join the Global Women's Institute (GWI), the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) and the Milken Institute School of Public Health for a panel discussion on what we know and promising practices to address violence against women and children, including the needs and experiences of adolescents. The SVRI Coordinating Group member, Dr Garcia-Moreno will be part of the panel discussion.

[Nursing Network on Violence Against Violence International, 26-28 September 2018, Ontario, Canada](#): This conference provides a platform for nurses, social workers, counsellors, physicians, advocates, community activists, policy makers and researchers to share their work and engage in a dialogue about innovative research, practice, education and policy that support action to create a violence-free world. The conference committee accepts abstracts until 19th January 2018. [Source: McMaster University].

[6th international conference on violence in the health sector, 24-26 October 2018, Toronto, Canada](#): This conference will provide a platform for all parties confronted with the phenomenon of violence in healthcare to develop and implement positive practice and proactively respond to this complex problem. The conference committee is now accepting abstracts. [Source: Oud Consultancy].

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

VIII. Vacancies

[Communication for Development Specialist](#) / UNICEF / Senegal / Closing date: 17 November 2017. [Source: The Drum Beat].

[Programme Associate Africa and West Asia](#) / Mama Cash / Remotely within Africa and West Asia region or be based in Mama Cash's Amsterdam office / Closing date: 20 November 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Senior Women Peace and Security Adviser](#) / ActionAid UK / London, UK / Closing date: 23 November 2017. [AWID Jobs eNews].

[The Senior Manager, Humanitarian Assistance](#) / CARE Canada / Ottawa, Canada / Closing date: 28 November 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Director of Research, Knowledge and Advocacy](#) / Mama Cash / Amsterdam, Netherlands / Closing date: 29 November 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Senior Officer, Latin America and the Caribbean](#) / Girls Not Brides / Remotely / Closing date: 10 December 2017. [Source: PAHO/WHO].

[Project Manager](#) / Against Violence & Abuse / London, UK / Closing date: 12 December 2017. [Source: AVA].

[Public Health Internships](#) / StoryCenter / USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: StoryCenter].

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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