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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"If productivity and innovation can be improved by increasing gender diversity, then there is an ethical imperative to do so. Any organisation that is not gender diverse is failing to access and leverage talent."

[Read the full article](#)

COVID-19 AND GBV-RELATED RESOURCES

See below COVID-19 and GBV-related resources that caught our attention this week

[Matoori, S., Khurana, B., Balcom, M. C., Froehlich, J. M., Janssen, S., Forstner, R., King, A. D., Koh, D. M., Gutzeit, A. \(2020\). Addressing intimate partner violence during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond: how radiologists can make a difference. Eur Radiol.](#): The aim of this Special Report is to raise awareness of intimate partner violence (IPV) among radiologists during the COVID-19 pandemic and to suggest strategies by which to identify and support IPV victims. [Source: *NCBI*].

[Barbara, G., Facchin, F., Micci, L., Rendiniello, M., Giulini, P., Cattaneo, C., Vercellini, P., Kustermann, A. \(2020\). COVID-19, lockdown, and intimate partner violence: Some data from an Italian service and suggestions for future approaches. J Womens Health \(Larchmt\). ePub](#): In this article, the authors draw attention to the reasons that might have led to an increased risk of intimate partner violence—including physical and sexual violence, emotional/psychological abuse, and controlling behaviors—during the lockdown related to COVID-19. [Source: *Liebert Pub.*].

[Quarterman, L., Peterman, A. \(2020, 5 October\). Tips for linking social protection and gender-based violence prevention and response during COVID-19. Gender and COVID-19](#): This blog set out core considerations for programming that integrate social protection with violence prevention or response, and highlight the importance of using the COVID-19 crisis as a chance to better understand these links. [Source: *Gender and COVID-19*].

[Ede, J. \(2020, September\). Exploring the gender lens on Localization: Working on GBV issues in northern Nigeria. CDA Collaborative](#): The reality in northern Nigeria is that COVID-19 has deepened existing gender inequalities and has also increased the risks of GBV incidences in settings where the violators and the 'vulnerable' are forced to a confinement or fleeing conflict together. [Read more.](#) [Source: *CDA Collaborative*].

For more resources, visit [SVRI COVID-19 webpage](#)

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.

[Henry, N., Flynn, A., Powell, A. \(2020\). Technology-facilitated domestic and sexual violence: A review. Violence Against Women. ePub](#): This article explores terminological and conceptual challenges and describes the empirical research literature in this field to date in relation to digital dating abuse, intimate partner cyberstalking, technology-facilitated sexual assault, image-based sexual abuse, and online sexual harassment. [Source: *SAGE Journals*].

[Steiner, J., Spear, A. \(2020\). Multilevel responses to sexual violence in schools in West Africa. IDS Bulletin](#): This empirical study applied the socioecological framework to highlight the intersecting relationship of multiple contexts within society including the interpersonal, family, community, school, and national identities. [Source: *Rutgers School of Social Work*].

[Fiolet, R., Cameron, J., Tarzia, L., Gallant, D., Hameed, M., Hooker, L., Koziol-McLain, J., Glover, K., Spangaro, J., Hegarty, K. \(2020\). Indigenous people's experiences and expectations of health care professionals when accessing care for family violence: A qualitative evidence synthesis. Trauma, Violence, & Abuse](#): This study explores indigenous people's experiences and expectations of health care professionals when experiencing family violence. [Source: *University of Melbourne*].

[Thomas, S. N., Weber, S., Bradbury-Jones, C. \(2020\). Using participatory and creative methods to research gender-based violence in the Global South and with indigenous communities: Findings from a scoping review. ePub](#): This review provides a synthesis of the existing research base on best practice recommendations for the use of participatory and creative methods to research gender based violence in the Global South. [Source: *SAGE Journals*].

[Forde, C., Duvvury, N. \(2020\). Survivor-led relational psychotherapy and embodied trauma: A qualitative inquiry. Wiley Online Library. ePub](#): This study examines the role of a humanistic integrative therapeutic approach to addressing the psychophysiological impact of sexual abuse trauma. [Source: *National University of Ireland*].

[Clark, C. J., Batayeh, B., Shrestha, P. N., Morrow, G., Shrestha, B., Ferguson, G. \(2020\). Diffusion in social norms change about violence against women: A longitudinal analysis of intervention data from a cluster randomised trial. Glob Public Health. 1-13](#): This study examines the diffusion effects of a Social and Behaviour Change Communication intervention in Nepal targeting gender equity and violence against women. [Source: *NCBI*].

[McAlpine, A., Bacchus, L. J., Muuo, S. W., Muthuri, S. K., Bangha, M., Izugbara, C., Franchi, G., Hess, T., Spangaro, J., Pearson, R., Hossain, M. \(2020\). Research challenges in evaluating gender-based violence response services in a refugee camp. *Glob Health Action*. 13\(1\), 1820713](#): This article presents a case study of research in Dadaab, Kenya to highlight some of the relevant challenges encountered while conducting gender-based violence research in humanitarian settings. [Source: LSE].

[Bagwell-Gray, M. E., Jen, S., Schuetz, N. \(2020\). How intimate partner violence and intersectional identities converge to influence women's sexual health across environmental contexts. *Soc Work*. swaa031](#): This analysis examines sexual risk and protective factors across intersectional identities—including gender, race, socioeconomic conditions, and age—among women survivors of intimate partner violence. [Source: Oxford University Press].

[Abramsky, T., Kapinga, I., Mshana, G., Lees, S., Hansen, C. H., Hashim, R., Stöckl, H., Kapiga, S., Harvey, S. \(2020\). Couples data from north-western Tanzania: Insights from a survey of male partners of women enrolled in the MAISHA cluster randomized trial of an intimate partner violence prevention intervention. *PLoS One*. 15\(10\), e0240112](#): In this paper, the authors describe the process and selection biases associated with conducting a survey of male partners of women participating in the MAISHA cluster randomised trial of a social empowerment intervention to prevent intimate partner violence, in Mwanza City, Tanzania. [Source: PLoS One].

[Okubo, C. V. C., Silveira, R. C. C. P., Galdino, M. J. Q., Fernandes, D. R., Moreira, A. A. O., Martins, J. T. \(2020\). Effectiveness of interventions for the prevention of occupational violence against professionals in health services: a protocol for a systematic review. *BMJ Open*. 10\(9\), e036558](#): This review aims to evaluate the effectiveness of interventions for the prevention and reduction of occupational violence against health professionals. [Source: Safetylit].



BLOGS

[Merga, M., Mason, S. \(2020, 7 October\). Researchers are expected to share their research beyond academia but they need support from universities to do so. LSE Blogs: Sharing research beyond academia is not only rewarding and enriching, but increasingly can help achieve funding. However, early career researchers lack the time, skills and media savvy to do so. Margaret Merga and Shannon Mason outline the experiences of early career researchers in Australia and Japan. The authors urge institutions to look beyond traditional scholarly outputs and to step up support for researchers looking to share their findings and engage with audiences beyond academia. \[Source: LSE Blogs\].](#)

PODCASTS

What we're listening to

[Fighting rape culture in Sierra Leone \(2020, 5 August\)](#): A spike in gender-based violence is one of the side effects of the pandemic. In Sierra Leone, violence against women was already a national crisis. Today, we revisit an episode from last summer about efforts there to end sexual violence from the top down — and the ground up.

[Episode 5 - Intersectionality and Working with Survivors of Color \(2020, 22 June\)](#): This episode explores intersectionality, a concept introduced by Kimberlé Crenshaw, that provides a theoretical framework for understanding how aspects of a person's social and political identities (e.g., gender, race, class, sexuality, ability etc.) might combine to create unique modes of discrimination.

WEBINAR RECORDINGS

Your chance to catch up anytime!

[Learning together - A guide for feminist practice in violence against women and girls research collaborations](#): On 7 October 2020, SVRI, Raising Voices, African Women's Development Fund (AWDF) and Centre for Rights Education and Awareness (CREAWKenya) hosted a webinar to launch the [briefing paper](#) to support activist and feminist civil society organizations in low and middle income countries to build effective and equitable collaborations for violence against women and girls research.

[Webinar seminar series: Promoting an Understanding of the Intersections between Violence against Women and Children](#): The Children's Institute in partnership with various stakeholders have held four webinar seminars on promoting an understanding of the intersections between violence.

ONLINE RESOURCES

[Throng, M., Sharif, M. Z., Pasalich, D. S., Olsen, A., Calabria, B., Prist, N. \(2020\). Faith-based communities' responses to family and domestic violence. *ANU Centre for Social Research & Methods*, 978-1- 925715-20-0](#): This report explores the role of religion and cultural values in attitudes and responses to family and domestic violence (FDV) in some culturally and linguistically diverse communities to gain a better understanding of the capacity of faith-based communities for early intervention and response to FDV. [Source: ANU Centre for Social Research & Methods].

[Babovic, M., Vrbensky, R. \(2020\). Cluster Evaluation of three UN Trust Fund-supported projects in North Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia. *UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women*](#): This report presents the findings of the cluster evaluation of three small grant projects implemented in Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia with support of UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women (UN Trust Fund). [Source: UN Women].

[MundSor. \(2020\). Informe y conclusiones de los resultados de la Encuesta sobre el consentimiento en las relaciones sexuales en América Latina y el Caribe. *MundSor*](#): Deseamos que el consentimiento empiece a ser un tema político, ya que es un concepto que se vincula con la búsqueda por la igualdad de género y la salud pública, siendo a la vez, condición necesaria para poner fin a la cultura de los femicidios y violencias sexuales. Los resultados de la encuesta evidencian el largo camino que aún nos queda por recorrer. [Source: MundSor].

[Transforming Masculinities/Masculinité, Famille, et Foi Intervention; Endline quantitative research report. \(2020\). Washington, D.C.: Institute for Reproductive Health \(IRH\) and Center for Child and Human Development, Georgetown University with the United States Agency for International Development](#): This report presents the results of an endline quantitative study conducted from November 2018 – February 2019. The intervention focuses on social norms and centers on religious leaders and faith communities in order to increase voluntary family planning use and reduce intimate partner violence among newly married couples and first-time parents. [Source: Tearfund].

[Mastonshoeva, S., Myrtilinen, H., Chirwa, E. D., Shonasimova, S., Gulyamova, P., Shai, N. J., Jewkes, R. \(2020\). Evaluation of Zindagii Shoista \(Living with Dignity\), an intervention to prevent violence against women in Tajikistan: impact after 30 months. What Works to Prevent Violence against Women and Girls](#): This report outlines the medium-term impacts of Zindagii Shoista (Living with Dignity) – a project to prevent violence against women and girls (VAWG) in Tajikistan – by determining levels of violence and measuring socioeconomic and emotional wellbeing indicators 15 months after the project ended – 30 months after its commencement. [Source: *What Works to Prevent Violence against Women and Girls*].

[VAWnet: Role of faith leaders and laity in domestic violence prevention and intervention](#): This webpage offers tools, including information on best practices, model policies, and successful collaborations, to support faith leaders in their efforts to prevent and respond to domestic violence in the community. [Source: *VAWnet*].

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Call for Proposals](#): Address Gender-Based Violence for Venezuelans and their Host Communities in Trinidad and Tobago, Guyana, and Panama. Deadline: 30 October 2020.

[Call for Proposals](#): UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women. Deadline: 4 November 2020.

[Call for Applications](#): Urgent Action Fund – Beijing +25 Advocacy Grants Program. Deadline: 15 November 2020.

[Call for Papers](#): Global Public Health – (Re)imagining Research, Activism, and Rights at the Intersections of Sexuality, Health, and Social Justice. Deadline: 15 January 2021.



EVENTS

- [What will it take to end violence against women: A dialogue on new paradigms for our era, 13 October 2020, 11am-12pm ET](#): WomenStrong is hosting a conversation among two members of the WomenStrong Learning Lab based in the US - [Black Women's Blueprint](#) and [Men Stopping Violence](#) - to discuss their experiences and strategies for addressing violence against women and girls. Additional information about WomenStrong's Learning Lab can be found [here](#).
- [Taking off the mask: Documentary film launch, 13 October 2020, 3pm-4:30pm SAST](#): JDI-SA invites you to an online discussion on and screening of *Taking Off the Mask* — a film about Isak Sass and his story of survival and healing following years of sexual abuse in prison. Join [here](#).
- [What can we learn from EVAW/G evaluations? Presentation of a meta-analysis of evaluations managed by UN Trust Fund grantees between 2015 and 2019, 13 October 2020, 9am ET](#): Join us as we engage with the learning from 30 evaluations of UN Trust Fund projects. This conversation, with the consultants who completed the external review, will explore what we are learning from evaluation findings on ending violence against women from projects implemented by civil society organizations in 26 countries, globally; whether and how projects are designed to be effective at reducing violence; and what we are learning about the characteristics that determine the effectiveness, sustainability and impact of UN Trust Fund projects. Register [online](#).



VACANCIES

- [Manager - Resourcing Feminist Movements Initiative](#), AWID, Flexible (candidates in the Global South are strongly encouraged to apply) – Closing date: 11 October 2020.
 - [Program Coordinator, Executive Director's Team](#), CREA, New Delhi, India – Closing date: 14 October 2020.
 - [Resident Program Manager for Gender, Youth, and Inclusion: Pacific Islands](#), National Democratic Institute, Pacific Islands, Fiji – Closing date: 15 October 2020.
 - [Resource Mobilisation Consultant](#), SVRI, Remotely – Closing date: 16 October 2020.
 - [Consultant - Gender Transformative Program and Influencing Practices](#), Plan International, West & Central Africa Regional Hub, Flexible – Closing date: 16 October 2020.
 - [Resource Hub and Global Network Team Lead](#), VOICE, Flexible – Closing date: 16 October 2020.
 - [Administration and Communications Assistant](#), VOICE, Flexible – Closing date: 16 October 2020.
 - [Country Director](#), Women for Women International, Yei, South Sudan – Closing date: 1 November 2020.
 - [Executive Director - Women's Rights](#), Human Rights Watch, Flexible (New York preferred) – Closing date: 16 November 2020.
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NEWS

Humanitarian Aid. (2020, 6 October). [DR Congo: Children suffering 'unrelenting violence', UNICEF deeply concerned](#). *UN News*.

Eddo, M. (2020, 30 September). [One-size-fits-all approach cannot work for victims and survivors of sexual and gender-based violence](#). *Global NGO Impact News*.

Jasso, C. (2020, 28 September). [Mexican women demanding legalized abortion clash with police](#). *Huffington Post*.

Holt, E. (2020, 27 April). [Ensuring Russia's sex workers' rights essential for wider gender equality](#). *IPS News*.

Violence against women and violence against children are global issues that require coordinated evidence-based responses and prevention programmes

[Sexual Violence Research Initiative](#) (SVRI)

The SVRI is the world's largest network on research on violence against women and violence against children, providing a space where global role players in the field connect with one another, share and promote their research, work to influence policies and practice, particularly in low and middle income countries. [SVRI Strategic Plan 2020-2024](#).

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