Event information

- Webinar: 60 minutes
- Event will be recorded
- Audience is muted – please add questions & comments to chat/Q&A
- Translation is available in Spanish, French and Arabic. Click on the globe icon and select the language of your choice
Speakers

Claudia García-Moreno
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Elizabeth Dartnall
SVRI, SVRI Leadership Council & Board

Manuela Balliet Ahogo
Together for Girls, SVRI Forum 2019 Best Young Researcher Award

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Moderator: Abigail Erikson
UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women
Sexual Violence Research Initiative

What We Want To Achieve

01 BUILD EVIDENCE
An increase in innovations tested by strong research designs for improved responses to and prevention of violence against women and violence against children.

02 STRENGTHEN CAPACITY
An increase in the number of researchers from low- and middle-income countries leading rigorous, impactful and innovative research on violence against women and violence against children in low- and middle-income countries.

03 PROMOTE PARTNERSHIPS
A co-operative and nurturing field where knowledge is shared and people collaborate and support each other.

04 INFLUENCE CHANGE
More resources mobilised and used effectively for research on violence against women and violence against children and evidence-based practice in low- and middle-income countries.

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About the Forum

Largest abstract driven event in VAW and VAC fields with a focus on LMICs.

Opportunity to learn, share and connect on research and practice innovations.

The SVRI Forum runs over 5 days:
• 1 day of conference workshops
• 3 days conferencing
• 1 day of participant driven events

Innovations at the Forum:
• Abstract driven panels (integrating both practice and research)
• Dialogic panels
• Five minute presentations
• Networking opportunities
• Well-being activities & counselling
• Dance, laughter and joy
Forum Principles

Learning and collaboration across sectors:

- SVRI Forum is where researchers, policy-makers, funders & practitioners come together to design solutions for ending VAW & VAC
- Delegates build knowledge, create collaborations, expand networks, & share knowledge with key decision-makers in the field

Diversity, equality and inclusion:

- We embrace inclusiveness, acknowledging power dynamics inherent in research
- Nurture the new generation of researchers through bursaries, & mentoring to young professionals from LMICs
- We award a Forum Prize for the best young researcher presentation
“Thank you for making the forum possible for so many. You are a Global Public Good!!” SVRI Forum 2022 delegate

"What an incredible, nourishing experience- despite the long-haul travel. I am back at work invigorated, inspired and very motivated. Thank you so much for this experience for myself and my colleagues.” SVRI Forum 2022 delegate

“I love. love. love the SVRI Forum! It’s my favourite conference of all times. Thank you.” SVRI Forum 2019 delegate

“What I liked most about SVRI Forum 2017 was the chance to learn about new research and programs happening around the world and connect to the global GBV community. It was amazing.” (SVRI Forum 2017 Delegate)

“I loved the representation of diverse women, the range of research presented, and how the conference centred survivors. The conference was incredibly powerful overall.” SVRI Forum 2019 delegate

“It is the only conference that I have been to that brings together researchers and practitioners in a collaborative way... Amazing work!” SVRI Forum 2022 delegate

“By far the best part of the SVRI Forum is connecting with colleagues, researchers and practitioners around the world. This is the only Forum in the world for doing so.” SVRI Forum 2015 participant
Why South Africa?

• Every second SVRI Forum takes place in South Africa, home to SVRI's headquarters.
• Hosting here maximises our use of local insights and relationships for streamlined planning and execution.
• This pattern ensures our team’s wellbeing and consistent event quality.
• Being at the International Convention Centre offers delegates diverse accommodation options and access to the best of Cape Town.
SVRI Forum 2024
Themes

Understanding VAW and VAC in their multiple forms

VAW and VAC prevention and response research and programmes

Advancing the science: Methods and measures

Response and prevention programmes focusing on perpetration of VAW and VAC, and men who use violence

Childhood sexual violence

Integrating mental health, self-care and collective care in research and practice
Abstracts submission guide

- SVRI Forum 2024 welcomes abstracts across the conference themes from research, programmes and practice-based learning.
- SVRI Forum uses Oxford Abstracts, an easy-to-use system to upload and edit your abstracts.
- Abstracts accepted in English, French and Spanish.
- Abstracts are blind reviewed by at least two reviewers.

Abstract submissions open: 4 October 2023
Abstract submissions close: 31 January 2024
Abstract status notification: April/May 2024
Programme available online: August/September 2024
Workshops

- Engaging children, adolescents, survivors, and communities in child sexual violence research through participatory approaches: Challenges and opportunities
- Practice based knowledge for women’s and feminist movements to end violence against women and girls: Co-creating an agenda
- Stats 101 for GBV practitioners and qualitative researchers
- Pathways to research impact
- Measuring violence against women: Challenges, tools and methods
- Confronting uncomfortable truths: Unlearning colonial research methods for VAWG research and knowledge production
- Ethics and virtual methods
- From data to action: Addressing technology-facilitated gender-based violence
- Using the Violence Against Children and Youth Survey (VACS) data for secondary analysis
- IPV Adapt+ Framework
- Femicide: Where we are and where we want to go
- What interventions can simultaneously reduce violence against children and violence against women? Reviewing the evidence and exploring the potential of parenting / caregiver support
- Intimate partner violence theories: how to select and integrate theory into your research on intimate partner violence
Other Important Dates

Registration

- Early registration opens soon until 29 February 2024
- Standard registration opens: 1 March – 1 September 2024
- Discounted rates for LMICs based delegates
- Registration includes:
  - access to all sessions, exhibitions / opening event
  - networking events
  - teas / lunches
  - conference materials; programme & event app

Exhibition stands

- Applications opens soon
- Includes one conference registration

Participant driven events

- Applications opens soon
How can organisations support Forum 2024 and help ensure diversity & inclusion?

- Ensure implementing partners from LMICs attend and present accepted abstracts at Forum 2024
- Bring 10+ delegates
- Support diversity and inclusion through funding bursaries
- Support language justice through funding translation services
- Support self-care & wellbeing activities and services
- Contribute to Forum 2024 core costs