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[Sexual and reproductive health and human rights of women living with HIV. Supplement: Journal of the International AIDS Society, 18\(5\), 2015](#): This special supplement discusses a range of perspectives and topics related to the sexual and reproductive health and human rights of women living with HIV. These perspectives include contributions from researchers, clinicians, programme managers, policy-makers, and women living with HIV. [Source: WHO].

Preventing domestic abuse for children and young people: A review of school-based Interventions. Stanley N, Ellis J, Farrelly N, Hollinghurst S, Downe S. Child. Youth Serv. Rev, 59: 120-131, 2015: This paper reports on a mixed methods review, aimed at informing UK practice and policy, which included a systematic review of the international literature; a review of the UK grey literature and consultation with young people as well as experts to address the question of what works for whom in what circumstances. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Challenges to the rapid identification of children who have been trafficked for commercial sexual exploitation. Rafferty Y. Child Abuse Negl, ePub, 2015](#): This article focuses on the first step in the protection and recovery process, which is to ensure that procedures are in place for their identification, so that they might access timely and appropriate assistance. It highlights three situational and two child-related challenges to identification. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Preventing gender-based violence engendered by conflict: The case of Côte d'Ivoire. Blay-Tofeya M, Lee B. X. Social Science & Medicine, 146: 341–347, 2015](#): This review studies the manifestations of GBV during and following the Ivoirian Civil War, juxtaposes them against narratives, as well as lists relevant interventions at the individual, relational, community, and institutional levels. [Source: ScienceDirect].

[Prostitution clients: Social representations of human trafficking. Luis A. H. G. S, Avendaño A. M. Psicolog. Soc, 27\(2\): 280-289, 2015](#): This paper reports the results of a research conducted in the community of La Merced, located in Mexico City, where trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation combine to victimize girls, adolescents and adults, in face of the community's passive gaze and active participation of prostitution clients, since they usually do not question the process that led them to be immersed on sex trade. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Risks and targeted interventions: Firearms in intimate partner violence. Zeoli A.M, Malinski R, Turchan B. Epidemiol. Rev, ePub, 2016](#): This is a systematic review to determine the state of knowledge on 1) the risks of firearm access and use in IPV and 2) the effectiveness of interventions designed specifically to reduce firearm violence in intimate relationships.

[Children's experiences of domestic violence and abuse: Siblings' accounts of relational coping. Callaghan J.E, Alexander J.H, Sixsmith J, Fellin L.C. Clin. Child Psychol. Psychiatry, ePub, 2015](#): This article explores how children see their relationships, particularly their sibling relationships, in families affected by domestic violence (DV) and how relationality emerges in their accounts as a resource to build an agentic sense of self. [Source: SafetyLit].

## II. Online publications and resources

[Existing knowledge, practice and responses to violence against women in Australian Indigenous communities: State of knowledge paper. ANROWS, 2016](#): This paper is a comprehensive review of published literature to present the current state of knowledge, practice and responses to violence against women in Australian Indigenous communities. [Source: ANROWS].

[Book: National redress for 'gendered' international crimes: - Uganda, Germany and the international criminal system \(Strafrecht in Forschung und Praxis\). Ndagire J. Kovac, Dr. Verlag; Auflage, 2015](#): On the premise that the duty of states to prosecute international crimes is a fairly new development, this book assesses the extent to Uganda is meeting this obligation, using the international criminal justice system as a benchmark and the German criminal justice system as a 'best practices' case study. Order online (Amazon). [Source: Foundation for Human Rights Initiative].

[Responses from the field: Sexual assault, domestic violence, and policing. Goldscheid J, Coker D, Park S, Neal T and Halstead V. CUNY Academic Work, 2015:](#) In this report, advocates, service providers, attorneys, and people working in membership based organizations share stories, concerns and recommendations regarding policing and domestic violence and sexual assault. [Source: WUNRN].

[Strengthening the medico-legal response to sexual violence. World Health Organisation and United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, 2015:](#) This toolkit is practitioner focused and addresses key knowledge gaps within and between sectors, to help support service provision and coordination in low-resource settings. It is part of a World Health Organization (WHO) and United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Project on Strengthening Medico-Legal Services for Sexual Violence Cases in Conflict-Affected Settings, supported by United Nations Action against Sexual Violence in Conflict (UN Action). Access [full text online](#) (pdf.). [Source: WHO].

### III. Websites and projects

[Gender Data Portal:](#) The Gender Data Portal is the World Bank Group's comprehensive source for the latest sex-disaggregated data and gender statistics covering demography, education, health, access to economic opportunities, public life and decision-making, and agency. [Source: World Bank Gender Group].

[From Impunity to Justice:](#) This research project explores corporate and state remedies for dealing with technology-related violence against women. The stories collected through the research document, why, not only is it misleading to think that there is no connection between the online and offline violence, but also show that this attitude of not seeing it as "real" has devastating consequences for women. [Source: WUNRN].

### IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Funding opportunity: Five College Women's Studies Research Centre](#) . This programme offers scholars to the Center from around the world, seeking a supportive environment to carry out their research. The centre is located in a geographic area with one of the largest concentrations of scholars dedicated to feminist scholarship and teaching in the world. Applications close: 15 February 2016. Online applications are available [here](#). [Source: Women East-West].

### V. Advocacy and awareness-raising

[Start by Believing Campaign, 6 April 2016:](#) This public awareness campaign is uniquely focused on the public response to sexual assault. Because a friend or family member is typically the first person a victim confides in after an assault, each individual's personal reaction is the first step in a long path toward justice and healing. Knowing how to respond is critical—a negative response can worsen the trauma and foster an environment where perpetrators face zero consequences for their crimes. On Wednesday, 6 April 2016, End Violence Against Women International (EVAWI) is declaring the first-ever campaign on global Start by Believing Day. Please join in creating an international message of support for sexual assault survivors. [Source: EVAWI].

## VI. News

[Female refugees face physical assault, exploitation and sexual harassment on their journey through Europe, Amnesty International, 18 January 2016](#): Female refugees face violence, sexual exploitation and harassment as they make their journey from Syria and Iraq to Europe, Amnesty International said in a report released Monday.

[American Association of University Women challenges federal data on college sexual assault, The Washington Post, 14 January 2016](#). The AAUW reported that, it appears colleges must be concealing sexual violence cases because there is ample research and recent polling and survey data that shows college sexual assaults are a frequent and widespread problem that touch campuses from coast to coast.

[In rural Kenya, a path to adulthood without female genital mutilation. Global Sisters Report, 11 January 2016](#). Eighty girls wearing orange shirts hold candles aloft at the St. Charles Lwanga Parish, the flames shining in their eyes. After a week of lectures and seminars, these 80 girls are announcing to their families, their church, and the world: We are the light that will shine across Kenya, we will not undergo female genital mutilation.

## VII. Events

[Training course: Researching gender-based violence - Methods and meaning, 15 – 19 February 2016, London, United Kingdom](#): 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. Space is limited please book online. [Source: LSHTM].

[Webinar: Profile of truck drivers in Brazil – What we are learning about truck drivers and child and adolescent sexual exploitation on the roadways of Brazil, 28 January 2016](#). In this month's LINEA webinar, Anna Flora Werneck will present findings from the 2015 round of the "Profile of truck drivers in Brazil" study and share how truck drivers' involvement with children for sexual purposes has been changing. [Source: LINEA].

[The 30th annual San Diego international conference on child and family maltreatment, 25-28 January 2016, San Diego, California](#). The objective of the San Diego Conference is to develop and enhance professional skills and knowledge in the prevention, recognition, assessment and treatment of all forms of maltreatment including those related to family violence as well as to enhance investigative and legal skills. In-depth issues include support for families, prevention, leadership, and policy-making. Translating the latest research into action is also addressed. [Source: Child Welfare Information Gateway].

[Call for papers: Gender, inequality and political violence panel at the ECPR Conference](#). Stacey Scriver (NUIG) and Jennifer McCleary-Sills (ICRW) would like to invite submissions of paper proposals to this panel at the ECPR Conference in Prague, September 2016. If you are interested in taking part please send an abstract of up to 500 words, along with 3-8 keywords, to [stacey.scriver@nuigalway.ie](mailto:stacey.scriver@nuigalway.ie) by 1 February 2016. [Source: ICRW]. [Webinar: Promoting sex-wise parenting: supporting parents to promote sexual health and safety at home and in the community, 2 February 2016](#). This webinar will offer a presentation on

human sexuality and psychosexual development, and explore how professionals can integrate this material into efforts with families and communities to promote sexual health and safety and prevent child sexual abuse. [Source: NEARI Press].

[Webinar: 1800RESPECT, 11 February 2016](#). This joint ANROWS & 1800RESPECT webinar will discuss key findings from the recent ANROWS report on the findings of the Australian Bureau of Statistics Personal Safety Survey. The webinar is for practitioners and frontline workers, and will include information on what happens in incidents of violence and how women access support. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions. Register online. [Source: ANROWS].

[International conference on sexual assault, domestic violence, and engaging men and boys, 22-24 March 2016, Washington, D.C, USA](#): Join fellow law enforcement personnel, prosecutors, victim advocates, judges, parole and probation officers, medical personnel, faith community members, educators and others in this three-day conference highlighting promising practices and emerging issues in sexual assault, domestic violence, and engaging men and boys. Reservation must be made by 19 February 2016. [Source: EVAWI]. **For more events visit:** <http://www.svri.org/calendar.htm>

#### VIII. Vacancies

[Communications/ Research Consultant](#) / WHO Department of Reproductive Health and Research (RHR) / African countries: Kenya, South African and Zambia/ Closing date: 23 January 2016. For more information, contact: pallittoc@who.int. [Source: WHO].

[Associate Editor](#) / Kohl Journal / Beirut, Lebanon / Closing date: 24 January 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Program Officer, Gender Based Violence & Youth](#) / International Planned Parenthood Federation, Western Hemisphere Region / Mexico City, Mexico or New York City, USA / Closing date: 29 January 2016. [Source: PAHO/WHO].

[Director of Governance and Country Advising](#) / The International Planned Parenthood Federation, Western Hemisphere Region / New York City, USA / Closing date: 29 January 2016. [Source: PAHO/WHO].

[Transition Executive Director](#) / Huairou Commission / New York, USA / Closing date: 29 January 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Executive Director](#) / Gbowee Peace Foundation Africa / Monrovia, Liberia / Closing date: 31 January 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Program Officer](#) / Open Society Foundations / New York, USA / Closing date: 12 February 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Communications Director](#) / Forward Together / California, USA or remote / Closing date: 12 February 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Protection Monitoring and Evaluation Manager](#) / International Rescue Committee, Protection & Rule of Law sector / Belgrade, Serbia / Closing date: 18 February 2016: [Source: IRC].

[Protection Coordinator](#) / International Rescue Committee, Protection & Rule of Law sector / Belgrade, Serbia / Closing date: 18 February 2016. [Source: IRC].

[Directors Assistant](#) / Irise International / Jinja, Uganda / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Program Officer](#) / Equality Now / Nairobi, Kenya / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[International Gender Specialist](#) / Banyan Global / South Africa / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Sexual violence is a global issue that requires coordinated evidence-based responses.

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