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This SVRI Update contains a variety of sexual violence related research and resources. If you would like to have your sexual violence related resources included in the Update, please send your materials to svri@mrc.ac.za. For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit www.svri.org. Please note that the SVRI Updates are also available on our [Facebook](#) page.

Today's SVRI Update includes the following:
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[I.](#) Featured: New from the SVRI!

[Sexual Violence. Jewkes R, Dartnall E. In: Quah S.R, Cockerham W.C. The International Encyclopedia of Public Health, 2nd edition. 6, 491–498, 2017:](#) In this article, the authors argue that sexual violence is one of the least researched of all forms of violence against women and girls. It further describes the prevalence and forms of sexual violence. Should you require a full copy of the article, please email Ms. Elizabeth Dartnall at Elizabeth.Dartnall@mrc.ac.za

[II.](#) SVRI during 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence

[Blog series:](#) During the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence, [SVRI Blog](#) and [Voices](#) will feature guest posts on the innovative projects supported through the [Development Marketplace for Innovations to Prevent Gender-Based Violence](#). Through this award, the World Bank Group and the SVRI disbursed over US\$1million to advance evidence-based interventions in GBV prevention in low- and middle-income countries.

Follow SVRI and WBG Development Marketplace Awards on Twitter [@theSVRI](#) [@WBG_Gender](#) [#GBVSolutions](#) [#16Days](#)

[Call for materials: SVRI country pages](#): It is essential for us as knowledge managers in the field of sexual and gender based violence to ensure that we have recent evidence available around the globe on our website. We have identified gaps in terms of country resources that is, journal abstracts, reports and links to organizations. We would like niche this gap by populating all the country pages during the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence.

Our country pages consist of materials on sexual violence and related types of violence, particularly intimate partner violence and violence in childhood. Our priority areas:

- [Nature and Prevalence](#)
- [Health Effects](#)
- [Prevention](#)
- [Responses](#)
- [Childhood Sexual Abuse](#)
- [Conflict & Post-Conflict](#)
- [HIV](#)
- [Traditional Harmful Practices](#)
- [Cross Cutting Issues](#)

Please email relevant materials to Morma Moremi at svri@mrc.ac.za

Thank you!

[Call for abstracts: SVRI Forum 2017, 18-21 September 2017, Rio, Brazil](#): We are pleased to invite colleagues to submit abstracts, attend and register for the largest global conference – SVRI forum 2017. Through this event, the SVRI brings together over 450 researchers, gender activists, funders, policy makers, service providers, practitioners and survivors from around the world who are working to understand, prevent and respond to sexual and intimate partner violence.

Abstracts to be submitted on or before 1 February 2017.

Follow the event on Twitter @TheSVRI with #SVRIForum2017 #SVRIForum #SDGs #16Days

More information available on our website in [English](#) and [Portuguese](#).

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.

[Supplementary: Interventions to prevent child marriage among young people in low- and middle-income countries - A systematic review of the published and gray literature. Kalar A.M, Lee-Rife S, Hindin M.J. Journal of Adolescent Health. 59\(3\), S16–S21, 2016](#): This article identifies high-quality interventions and evaluations to decrease child marriage in low- and middle-income countries. [Source: Journal of Adolescent Health].

[Supplementary: Detailed methodology for systematic reviews of interventions to improve the sexual and reproductive health of young people in low- and middle-income countries. Hindin M.J, Kalar A.M. Journal of Adolescent Health. 59\(3\), S4–S7, 2016](#): In this article, the authors systematically review and compile evidence on interventions in low- and middle-income countries, which target three adverse health-related outcomes for young people (ages 10–24): (1) early pregnancy and

repeat pregnancy; (2) child marriage; and (3) sexually transmitted infections including human immunodeficiency virus. [Source: Journal of Adolescent Health].

[Childhood sexual abuse and sociodemographic factors prospectively associated with intimate partner violence perpetration among South African heterosexual men. Teitelman A.M, Bellamy S.L, Jemmott J.B, Icard L, O'Leary A, Ali S, Ngwane Z, Makiwane M. Ann. Behav. Med. 2016. ePub, 2016:](#) In this study, childhood sexual abuse and other sociodemographic variables are examined as potential factors associated with severe intimate partner violence perpetration toward women in a sample of heterosexual men in South Africa. [Source: Safetylit].

[Sexual and gender-based violence against refugee women: a hidden aspect of the refugee "crisis". Freedman J. Reproductive Health Matters. 24\(47\), 18-26, 2016:](#) This study explores the multiple forms of vulnerability and insecurity for refugee women including various forms of sexual and gender-based violence. [Source: Science Direct].

[The impact of federal violence against women laws on intimate partner violence in two states in Brazil. Gattegno M.V, Wilkins J.D, and Evans D.P. International Journal for Equity in Health. 15:138, 2016:](#) This study examines the relationship between Brazilian violence against women (VAW) legislation and male perpetration of VAW by comparing reported prevalence of intimate partner violence before and after the enactment of the Maria da Penha Law. [Source: Emory University].

[Revisiting the understanding of "transactional sex" in sub-Saharan Africa: A review and synthesis of the literature. Stoebenau K, Heise L, Wamoyi J, Bobrova N. Soc Sci Med. 168, 186-197, 2016:](#) This review proposes a definition of transactional sex and discusses implications for research and interventions aiming to reduce young women's risk of HIV through such relationships. [Source: Pubmed].

[Psychometric properties and reliability of the Assessment Screen to Identify Survivors Toolkit for Gender Based Violence \(ASIST-GBV\): results from humanitarian settings in Ethiopia and Colombia. Vu A, Wirtz A, Pham K, Singh S, Rubenstein L, Glass N, Perrin N. Conflict and Health. 10:1, 2016:](#) This study presents the psychometric properties of the ASIST-GBV with female refugees living in Ethiopia and IDPs in Colombia. [Source: BioMed Central].

[What does not work in adolescent sexual and reproductive health: A review of evidence on interventions commonly accepted as best practices. Chandra-Mouli V, Lane C, Wong S. Glob Health Sci Pract. 31; 3\(3\), 333-40, 2015:](#) This article highlights the gaps in implementing adolescent sexual and reproductive health programmes. It further recommends ways in which the gaps can be addressed. [Source: PMC].

IV. Online publications and resources

[Violence against women and girls and HIV: Report on a high level consultation on the evidence and its implications, 12–14 May, 2015. Greentree Estate. Heise L, McGrory E. STRIVE Research Consortium, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, 2016:](#) This report synthesises the discussions and conclusions of a three-day expert consultation on the links between HIV and violence against women and girls (VAWG). [Source: STRIVE].

[Human trafficking vulnerabilities in Asia: A study on forced marriage between Cambodia and China. United Nations Action for Cooperation against Trafficking in Persons. 2016:](#) This report examines patterns of forced marriage in the context of broader migratory flows between Cambodia and China. [Source: WUNRN].

[Empowering female survivors of sexualized and gender-based violence in Northern Uganda. Medica Mondiale. 2016](#): This report explores the impact of the Ugandan organisation Foundation for Women Affected by Conflict (FOWAC) in improving the living conditions of female survivors of sexualized and gender-based violence in Northern Uganda. [Source: Medica Mondiale].

[Harmful Connections: Examining the relationship between violence against women and violence against children in the South Pacific. United Nations Children's Fund. 2015](#): This report aims to develop a deeper understanding of what is known about the connection between violence against women and violence against children (VAC) in the South Pacific Island countries. [Source: UNICEF].

V. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Call for nominations: Oak Human Rights Fellowship](#): The Oak Institute is pleased to invite applications for its 2017 Fellowship. It will go to a front-line artist-activist from outside of the United States whose creative work has highlighted a human rights concern. That individual will reside at Colby during autumn 2017. Deadline: 2 December 2016. [Source: Oak Institute for Human Rights at Colby College].

[Call for contributions: Gender and Development – Natural resource justice](#): In November 2017, the international journal Gender & Development will examine the theme of Natural Resource Justice, through the lens of gender equality and women's rights. G&D is the world's only journal to focus on gender and international development, publishing rigorous yet accessible articles to influence and inform development and humanitarian policy and practice about women's rights and gender equality. Please send a paragraph outlining your proposed idea for an article for this issue, in an email (no attachments please) to csweetman@oxfam.org.uk. Deadline: 15 December 2016. [Source: WUNRN].

VI. Awards

[Announcing winners: Ending Violence Against Women Media Awards](#): The six award winners will be announced on Friday 25th November – the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women. The awards aim to recognise and celebrate exemplary reporting on violence against women and girls in print, broadcast and online news, features, comment and documentaries. [Source: EVAW Coalition].

VII. Advocacy and awareness raising

[16 days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence 2016](#): The 25 November to 10 December 2016 marks 16 days of activism for No violence against women and girls. The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence Campaign is a time to galvanize action to end violence against women and girls around the world. This year, the UNiTE campaign strongly emphasizes the need for sustainable funding efforts to end violence against women and girls towards the fulfilment of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. [Source: UN Women].

VIII. News

[Donors thinking big: beyond gender equality funds, AWID eNews, 23 November 2016](#): The case for investing in southern women's rights organisations is firmly established, but to create sustainability, resilience and long-term change donors need to invest in the infrastructure of the organisations and movements.

[UN: Victory for LGBT Rights, Human Rights Watch News, 21 November 2016](#): A close vote on November 21, 2016, by a United Nations General Assembly committee affirming that the newly appointed UN expert to address violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity should continue his work is a victory for human rights.

[Rape as an Act of Genocide: From Rwanda to Iraq, IPS News, 17 November 2016](#): The governments of Rwanda and Iraq have agreed to work together to fight rape as a weapon of genocide, noting disturbing similarities between sexual violence in Iraq today to the Rwandan genocide twenty years ago.

IX. Events

[Twitter chat: Innovating to eliminate gender-based violence in emergencies, 25 November 2016](#): ELRHA is hosting a Twitter chat this Friday, 2-3pm GMT, bringing together GBV and innovation practitioners to share their experiences and ideas on how to better monitor incidences of gender-based violence in emergencies, and how to better measure the impact of GBV programmes. [Source: ELRHA].

[The 25th Anniversary Celebration of the 16 Days Campaign, 30 November 2016, New York, USA](#): During the event, speakers and audience members will discuss and reflect on the critical role global activism has played in bringing together diverse stakeholders on a common agenda – elimination of gender-based violence (GBV). [Source: The Center for Women's Global Leadership].

[Online Discussion and Webinar: Engaging men and boys to end gender-based violence, 28 November – 02 December 2016](#): As part of a Joint campaign with Womanity organised for the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, Wikigender will host this online discussion bringing together policy makers and experts from developing and developed countries to exchange knowledge and research findings on engaging men. [Source: WUNRN].

[ISPCAN Webinar Series \(Dec 2016\) "Preventing child abuse and neglect: A role for child health professionals", 01 December 2016](#): With the understanding that there is a clear need to implement evidence-based approaches to prevent child abuse and neglect, this webinar will focus on one such approach developed for child health primary care settings – A Safe Environment for Every Kid (SEEK). Most countries have a preventive health care system for young children where SEEK could be implemented. [Source: ISPCAN].

[Webinar: Sexual violence on campus: Strategies for prevention, 06 December 2016](#): This webinar will offer an overview of the framework components of the CDC's sexual violence prevention document and the process of the Action Planning Teams as important segments of CDC's campus-based sexual violence prevention efforts. [Source: Prevent Connect].

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

X. Vacancies

[Gender Equality Technical Advisor](#) / Trócaire / Malawi / Closing date: 27 November 2016. [Source: Irish Forum for Global Health].

[Program Operations Manager](#) / Resource Equity / Global / Closing date: 28 November 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Technical Officer](#) / Together for Girls / Washington, DC., USA / Closing date: 05 December 2016. [Source: Together for Girls].

[Program Officer, International Trans Fund](#) / Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice / Global / Closing date: 09 December 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Director, International Trans Fund](#) / Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice / Global / Closing date: 09 December 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Senior WPE Manager](#) / International Rescue Committee / Myanmar / Closing date: 20 December 2016. [Source: IRC].

[International Development Internship Program](#) / American Bar Association Rule of Law / global / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Gender-based Violence and Protection Technical Advisor](#) / American Refugee Committee / Minneapolis, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Senior Director, Policy and Managing Director](#) / Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) / Washington DC, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

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. To learn more about the SVRI visit our website www.svri.org or contact us at svri@mrc.ac.za

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