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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](mailto:svri@mrc.ac.za). For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit [www.svri.org](http://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. Announcement: SVRI Forum 2017 registrations now open](#)

The SVRI Forum 2017 will be held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> September 2017.

Given the great interest in the Forum, and the record number of abstracts received, we have extended the programme length to a full three days. SVRI Forum will now end at 5pm (and not 1:30pm) on Thursday 21st September, 2017.

The registration for the forum is now open - See more:  
<http://www.svri.org/forums/forum2017/registration.htm>

For more information about the SVRI Forum 2017, visit:

<http://www.svri.org/forums/forum2017/index.htm>

We look forward to hosting you all in Rio!

## II. Call for Applications: Young Researcher's Participation in SVRI Forum 2017

The Sexual Violence Research Initiative is undertaking a process to recruit 10 young researchers between the ages of 18-24 to attend the upcoming SVRI Forum 2017 as well as 5 facilitators to support them to participate at the conference. The Forum is scheduled to take place from the 18-21 September in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil.

Applications should be submitted by NGOs based in Sub-Saharan Africa, Eastern Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean that work with young people and children and have experience undertaking participatory research with young people affected by violence.

**Deadline:** 13 March 2017 at 23:59 (South African Time).

Download the call for applications [here](#) and the application form [here](#).

## 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.***

[The ethics of researching intimate partner violence in global health: A case study from global health research. Mannell J, Guta A. Global Public Health. 2017](#): This paper explores the ethical implications raised by research on intimate partner violence by global health scholars. [Source: UCL Institute for Global Health].

[Disclosure of physical, emotional and sexual child abuse, help-seeking and access to abuse response services in two South African Provinces. Meinck F, Cluver L, Loening-Voysey H, Bray R, Doubt J, Casale M, Sherr L. Psychology, Health & Medicine. 1–13, 2017](#): This study investigates whether children know about post-abuse services, if they disclose and seek services, and what the outcomes of help-seeking behaviour are. [Source: Taylor & Francis].

[Rethinking research on sexual exploitation of boys: methodological challenges and recommendations to optimize future knowledge generation. Mitchell K, Moynihan M, Pitcher C, Francis A, English A, Saewyc E. Child Abuse Negl. ePub, 2017](#): This study seeks to understand the experiences of sexually exploited boys and assists in developing interventions for this specific population. [Source: Safetylit].

[Perceived burdensomeness, thwarted belongingness, and fearlessness about death: Associations with suicidal ideation among female veterans exposed to military sexual trauma. Monteith L.L, Bahraini N.H, Menefee D.S. J. Clin. Psychol. ePub, 2017](#): This study examines whether constructs derived from the interpersonal-psychological theory of suicide (perceived burdensomeness, thwarted belongingness, and fearlessness about death; Joiner, 2005) were associated with suicidal ideation among female Veterans who had experienced military sexual trauma, when adjusting for known risk factors for suicide. [Source: Safetylit].

[Integrating male sexual diversity into violence prevention efforts with men and boys: evidence from the Asia-Pacific Region. Miedema S.S, Yount K.M, Chirwa E, Dunkle K, Fulu E. An International Journal for Research, Intervention and Care. 19\(20\), 2017:](#) This study draws on probability estimates of men who report same-sex practices and preferences captured in a multi-country gender-based violence prevention survey in the Asia-Pacific region, to test the effects of sexuality-related factors on men's adverse life experiences. [Source: PubMed].

[What explains childhood violence? Micro correlates from VACS surveys. Ravi S, Ahluwalia R. 2017:](#) This paper seeks to explore and understand factors that explain the various forms of violence in childhood. [Source: Taylor & Francis].

[College women's perceptions of and inclination to use campus sexual assault resources: Comparing the views of students with and without sexual victimization histories. Burgess-Proctor A, Pickett SM, Parkhill MR, Hamill TS, Kirwan M, Kozak AT. Crim. Justice Rev. 41\(2\), 204-218, 2016:](#) This study explores whether college women's perceptions of and inclination to use campus sexual assault resources vary as a function of their sexual victimization histories. [Source: Safetylit].

#### IV. Online publications and resources

[Executive Summary: Consolidated guideline on sexual and reproductive health and rights of women living with HIV. WHO. 2017:](#) This guideline responds to requests from organizations, institutions and individuals for guidance which consolidates existing recommendations specific to women living with HIV along with new recommendations and good practice statements. [Source: WHO].

[Lessons learned from national initiatives to end child marriage. Travers E, Branson M. Girls Not Brides. 2017:](#) This report explores what lessons can be drawn from the increasing number of national strategies, action plans, and country-wide initiatives to address child marriage around the world, particularly in relation to their implementation across sectors. [Source: Girls Not Brides].

#### V. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Request for proposals: Making the connection between child marriage and SGBV, HIV/AIDS and education:](#) The Regional SRHR Fund is soliciting a call for proposals for organizations working in Southern Africa (Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe) on education, Sexual and Gender-Based Violence and Education. Proposals for grants will be considered from organisations that have put forward innovative and strategic ways to address the inter-sectionality between child marriage and one or more of the following three topics: Sexual and Gender-Based Violence, HIV/AIDS and education at the national level that have the potential for scale up to the regional level. The maximum funding available per proposal is \$US 15,000. Deadline: 27 March 2017. [Source: Sex Rights Africa Network].

[Funding opportunity: 2017-2018 Mariam K. Chamberlain Award:](#) The Mariam K. Chamberlain Dissertation Award will support a doctoral student who is a first-generation college graduate, including immigrant students, as he or she works on a dissertation under the close supervision of a senior dissertation advisor over one academic year. Preference will be given to a student who identifies as a woman. The student's dissertation must be related to International Center for Research on Women's mission to empower women, advance gender equality and fight poverty. Deadline: 31 May 2017. [Source: ICRW].

#### VI. Advocacy and awareness raising

[Blog post: Public and private bodies - the politics of child sexual abuse, 22 February 2017](#): In response to the recent focus on child sexual abuse within football Jenny Pearce and Lucie Shuker argue that society has to face the reality of child sexual abuse if we are to meaningfully engage with the kinds of change needed to prevent it happening, or respond without causing more distress. Read more [here](#).

## VII. News

['They are heroes': Angelina Jolie honours survivors of sexual violence in Cambodia, The Guardian, 22 February 2017](#): Angelina Jolie has paid tribute to the survivors of forced marriage under the Khmer Rouge and pledged to continue advocating on behalf of women and girls who suffer from sexualized violence in conflict.

[Teaching boys about healthy relationships: 'They need it from birth', The Guardian, 20 February 2017](#): “Misogyny is getting worse and it’s toxic for boys to grow up in a society where girls and women are treated poorly,” says Birmingham head teacher Sarah Hewitt-Clarkson.

[Malawi: Constitution will no longer allow child marriage, Girls Not Brides, 15 February 2017](#): 14 February was a historic day for girls in Malawi. Parliament voted to amend the Constitution to make marriage before the age of 18 illegal, removing a provision that allowed children to marry at 15 with parental consent.

## VIII. Events

[Webinar: Digital storytelling for global health and rights, 15 March 2017](#): Silence Speaks initiative has been exploring how digital storytelling methods can be adapted to support international public health and human rights education and advocacy. This webinar will provide an overview of the theory behind this work, a glimpse of current projects, and an introduction to the ethical considerations that need to be addressed in the design of impactful storytelling and participatory media efforts. [Source: StoryCenter].

[19th Annual MASOC/MATSA Joint Conference, 5-7 April 2017, Massachusetts, USA](#): This year’s conference, titled Preventing Sexual Violence Through Assessment, Treatment and Safe Management provides an opportunity for participants to meet with others working to prevent sexual violence, learn about the newest research, and build a deeper understanding of the emerging issues. [Source: MASOC].

[11th World Congress on Adolescent Health, 27-29 October 2017, New Delhi, India](#): The Congress will combine clinical and public health perspectives, and present new approaches and best practices that can contribute to accelerated action for adolescent health and rights, both globally and with specific reference to India and the sub-region. [Source: IAAHCongress2017].

[International AIDSImpact Conference, 13-15 November 2017, Cape Town, South Africa](#): Stellenbosch University and the Human Sciences Research Council will jointly host the 13th AIDSImpact Conference at the Century City Conference Centre, Cape Town, Under the conference theme “What will it really take to end the epidemic?” and a key focus will be consideration of new choices for HIV - for prevention, treatment, and care. For queries, please contact: Ms Zena Jacobs, Department of Psychology, Stellenbosch University, Email: [zena@sun.ac.za](mailto:zena@sun.ac.za). [Source: Stellenbosch University].

## IX. Vacancies

[Junior Trainer](#) / Sonke Gender Justice / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: 24 February 2017. [Source: Sonke Gender Justice].

[Data Capturer](#) / Sonke Gender Justice / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: 24 February 2017. [Source: Sonke Gender Justice].

[Senior Research Officer \(Evaluation\)](#) / ANROWS / Sydney, Australia / Closing date: 26 February 2017. [Source: ANROWS].

[Freelance police trainer - consultancy contract](#) / medica mondiale e. V. / Dohuk, Kurdish Region of Iraq / Closing date: 28 February 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[United Nations Program Officer](#) / OutRight Action International / New York, USA / Closing date: 3 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender Equality and Inclusion Expert – consultancy](#) / UNESCO / Lilongwe, Malawi / Closing date: 3 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender Equality Program Manager](#) / CARE Australia / Port Vila, Vanuatu / Closing date: 6 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Director of Global Advocacy](#) / OutRight Action International / New York, USA / Closing date: 15 March 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Volunteer positions](#) / Cuso International and partners / Various countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America / Closing date: 30 July 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Research Project Coordinator](#) / Center on Gender Equity and Health (GEH) / San Diego, CA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: University of California, San Diego].

[Research Program Manager](#) / Center on Gender Equity and Health (GEH) / San Diego, CA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: University of California, San Diego].

[Post-doctoral Fellowship Opportunity in Gender Equity and Health](#), PhD Required / Center on Gender Equity and Health (GEH) / San Diego, CA / Closing date: Open until filled. Source: University of California, San Diego].

[Logistics and Administration Assistant](#) / International Network for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Manager, Global Development Partnerships](#) / The Center for Reproductive Rights / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Country Director](#) / Ipas / Mexico / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Special Events and Development Manager](#) / The National Institute for Reproductive Health / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Deputy Chief of Party](#) / International Rescue Committee / Myanmar / Closing date: Open until filled.

[Source: IRC].

[Protection Coordinator](#) / International Rescue Committee / Myanmar / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

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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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