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[I. SVRI Grant – new reports and publications](#)

[Potential pathways to prevention: Understanding the intersections of violence against women and children in the family. Learning from Practice Series, No. 7: Research perspectives. Kampala, Uganda: Raising Voices. 2017:](#) This report highlights the ways that intimate partner violence and violence against children become intertwined within families. In addition, the findings expose the patriarchal norms and values that often underlie both forms of violence.

[Living Peace in Democratic Republic of the Congo: An impact evaluation of an intervention with male partners of women survivors of conflict-related rape and intimate partner violence. Tankink M, Slegel H. Washington, DC: Promundo-US. 2017:](#) This report presents the findings of a qualitative, time-series evaluation that assessed the impact on intimate partner violence prevention of a pilot intervention program called Living Peace, which targeted the husbands of women who had experienced conflict-related rape and IPV in eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo.

[Preventing risky behaviours among young adolescents in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo: A qualitative study. Kohli A, Remy M.M, Binkurhorhwa A.K, Mitima C.M, Mirindi A.B, Mwinja N.B, Banyewesize J.H, Ntakwinja G.M, Perrin N.A, Glass N. Global Public Health: An International Journal for Research, Policy and Practice. ePub, 2017:](#) This study explores and describes adolescent risk behaviours, specifically consumption of alcohol and use of violence; the perceived consequences of these behaviours on future well-being and relationships; and collaboratively identifies the essential components of a prevention intervention for risk behaviours (alcohol use, violence) among young adolescents while strengthening the protective individual and relationship factors in post-conflict

Democratic Republic of Congo.

II. 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.

[Current reports on perinatal intimate partner violence. Stewart D.E, Vigod S.N, MacMillan H.L, Chandra P.S, Han A, Rondon M.B, MacGregor J.C.D, Riazantseva E. Current Psychiatry Reports. ePub, 2017](#): This research offers a review of literature on perinatal intimate partner violence, focusing on recent knowledge to guide mental health professionals on the best approaches to identify and treat women exposed to perinatal intimate partner violence. [Source: University of the Witwatersrand].

[Safety in online research with women experiencing intimate partner violence: what about the children? Allenby R, Dobbs T, Diesfeld K, Raja S.N, Wilson D, Koziol-McLain J. Ethics Behav. 27\(1\), 26-42, 2017](#): This article discusses the legislative, professional, and ethical considerations that contribute to the development of the child safety protocols and discusses the development of the isafe protocol - a New Zealand-based Internet intervention study testing improvement in safety decisions and mental health outcomes for women experiencing intimate partner violence. [Source: Safetylit].

[Pathways linking childhood maltreatment and adolescent sexual risk behaviors: the role of attachment security. Thibodeau M.È, Lavoie F, Hébert M, Blais M. J. Sex Res. ePub, 2017](#): This study examines the relationships between child maltreatment and adolescent sexual risk behaviours and investigates anxious and avoidant attachment as mediators. [Source: Safetylit].

['You're disabled, why did you have sex in the first place?' An intersectional analysis of experiences of disabled women with regard to their sexual and reproductive health and rights in Gujarat State, India. Dean L, Tolhurst R, Khanna R, Jehan K. Glob. Health Action. 10\(Suppl 2\), 2017](#): This study explores commonality and heterogeneity in the experiences of disabled women in relation to their sexual and reproductive health needs and rights in Gujarat State, India. [Source: Safetylit].

[Building the foundations for sustainable development: a case for global investment in the capabilities of adolescents. Sheehan P, Sweeny K, Rasmussen B, Wils A, Friedman H.S, Mahon J, Patton G.C, Sawyer S.M, Howard E, Symons J, Stenberg K, Chalasani S, Maharaj N, Reavley N, Shi H, Fridman M, Welsh A, Nsofor E, Laski L. Health Policy, ePub, 2017](#): This study shows that improving the physical, mental and sexual health of adolescents, at a cost of about \$4.60 per person per year, would yield more than 10 times as much in benefits to society. Investments in adolescents' education and human rights would also have enormous benefits relative to costs, the findings demonstrate. [Source: The Lancet].

[Modifiers of neighbours' bystander intervention in intimate partner violence: A concept mapping study. Wee S, Todd M, Oshiro M, Greene E, and Frye V. ePub, 2017](#): This study identifies potential bystander intervention behaviours in intimate partner violence among neighbours in urban settings and assesses whether perceived feasibility and effectiveness of those behaviours varied by situational characteristics. [Source: Violence & Gender].

[The impact of a micro savings intervention on reducing violence against women engaged in sex work: a randomized controlled study. Tsai L.C, Carlson C.E, Aira T, Pala A.N, Riedel M, Witte S.S. BMC Int Health Hum Rights. ePub, 2016](#): Women who engage in sex work are at risk for experiencing violence from numerous perpetrators, including paying partners. This study reports on the impact of

participation in a micro savings intervention on experiences of paying partner violence among women engaged in sex work in Mongolia.

III. Online publications and resources

[Men's violence against women: Some key readings and reports, XY Collection, 2017](#): What is men's violence against women? What are its causes and consequences? This webpage offers some key readings and reports, on domestic violence, sexual violence, and other forms of violence against women. They include shorter or more accessible pieces and longer discussions and reports. [Source: Prevent Connect].

[The national child participation guide for Uganda: Creating an environment for children to be heard. Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development, Uganda Child Rights NGO Network and UNICEF - Uganda Office. 2008](#): This Guide provides tips, tools and techniques for engaging children. It further defines child participation within the context of Uganda. [Source: Child to Child].

IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Call for papers on transgender violence](#): Violence and Gender is seeking high quality research on the topic of violence involving transgender individuals to publish in the winter issue of 2017. The issue will provide a broad overview of the current state of affairs on a national and international scale. For questions, please contact Managing Editor [Dr. Karen Cloud Hansen](#). Deadline: 31 May 2017. [Source: Violence and Gender].

[RFI Challenge App Africa 2017: Developing innovative mobile solutions in the field of girls' education in Africa](#): Entries are open for RFI Challenge App Africa with an aim to develop innovative mobile solutions in the field of girls' education in Africa, organized by RFI through the issue of 7 billion neighbours. The competition aims to promote the education of girls, particularly in Africa, through the development of mobile applications or any other digital service to develop access to knowledge and knowledge. Deadline: 30 June 2017. [Source: Funds for NGOs].

V. News

[More than 1.2 million adolescents die every year, nearly all preventable, World Health Organisation News, 16 May 2017](#): More than 3000 adolescents die every day, totalling 1.2 million deaths a year, from largely preventable causes, according to a new report from WHO and partners. In 2015, more than two-thirds of these deaths occurred in low- and middle-income countries in Africa and South-East Asia. Road traffic injuries, lower respiratory infections, and suicide are the biggest causes of death among adolescents.

[Why include men and boys in the fight for gender equality? Devex, 15 May 2017](#): At a time when women's rights are under threat around the world — from moves to defund family planning services in the United States to Russia's decision to decriminalize some forms of domestic violence — it may seem difficult to make the case for investing scarce gender program resources in projects which target men and boys.

[Op-ed: Gender equality can save women's lives in disasters, UN Women News, 9 May 2017](#): Even though the quality of disaggregated data needs to be improved, research shows that women and girls die in much greater numbers in extreme disaster events. The inclusion of women's perspectives and leadership is a necessary recognition both of the greater risks women experience and their unique roles in resilience building, disaster response and recovery.

[South Africa sets up program to break the link between HIV and violence, News Week, 23 April 2017:](#)

This news bulletin discusses the impact of Safe and Sound – a program to reduce violence against pregnant women in South Africa – in breaking the link between HIV and violence.

VI. Events

[Security of Women & Security of States - How can programs designed to enhance state security and prevent violent extremism benefit from initiatives to reduce gender-based violence and child exposure to violence? 23 May 2017, Washington D.C., USA:](#)

During this event, Futures Without Violence will release a report titled "Linking Security of Women & Security of States." The report offers priority policy and programmatic recommendations to disrupt violence and enhance security and gender equality; summarizes the relationship between violent extremism, gender-based violence, and trauma; and identifies approaches that improve resilience, support survivors, and contribute exponentially to better development and security outcomes. Register [online](#). [Source: WHO].

[Transformative Leadership for Gender Equality and Women's Rights, 3-7 July 2017, Geneva, Switzerland:](#)

The objective of this course is to strengthen capacity and knowledge of leaders and managers to advance gender equality, women's empowerment, and women's rights agendas within their organizational contexts. The course seeks to strengthen leaders' and managers' use of gender-inclusive and transformative leadership principles and practices to address institutional gender biases and promote commitments to gender equality and women's rights. Application deadline: 19 May 2017. [Source: The Communication Initiative].

[AIDSImpact conference, 13-15 November 2017, Cape Town, South Africa:](#)

AIDSImpact is an international behavioural and psychosocial science conference that addresses issues related to HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment and care, focusing both globally and on specific communities and countries hardest hit by the HIV/AIDS epidemic. This year, the conference will promote pioneering work on understanding the dynamics of a changing epidemic. A key focus will be consideration of new choices for HIV - for prevention, treatment, care and strategic planning. [Source: Stellenbosch University].

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

VII. Vacancies

[Human rights programme intern](#) / The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom / Geneva, Switzerland / Closing date: 21 May 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Human Resource and Organization Development Manager](#) / Association for Women's Rights in Development / Flexible / Closing date: 29 May 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Enhancing Women's Voice to Stop Sexual Harassment \(STOP\) Project Director](#) / CARE Australia / Myanmar/Cambodia/Vietnam/Laos / Closing date: 4 June 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Human Resources Coordinator \(parental leave fill\)](#) / Association for Women's Rights in Development / Closing date: 4 June 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Women's Protection and Empowerment Coordinator](#) / International Rescue Committee / Yemen / Closing date: Open until filled [Source: IRC].

[WPE and Protection Rule of Law Coordinator](#) / International Rescue Committee / Burundi / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Senior Advocacy Adviser, Asia](#) / The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) / Kathmandu, Nepal / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Researcher, Gender and Women's Rights](#) / Oxfam America / USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Social Behaviour Change GBV Advisor](#) / International Medical Corps / Democratic Republic of Congo / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: The Communication Initiative Network].

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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