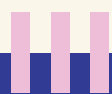




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# The UN System at the Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI) 2026 Forum, Bangkok, Thailand

## **A world free from violence is possible, and it starts when we work together.**

The SVRI Forum 2026 in Bangkok brings together the global community working to end violence against women and girls at a critical moment for the Sustainable Development Goals: with fewer than five years left to achieve Agenda 2030, accelerating progress on ending violence against women and girls is essential to SDG 5 and the wider 2030 agenda. At the Forum, the UN system joins this effort as one, standing alongside researchers, practitioners and advocates working to end violence against women, violence against children, and other forms of violence rooted in gender inequality.

Violence can happen anywhere: at home, in schools and workplaces, online, in humanitarian and conflict settings, within health and justice systems, and in our communities. Because it

takes many forms, ending it takes many kinds of expertise, and that is exactly what our agencies bring together. From pre-conference workshops on 5 October through sessions and side events from 6 to 8 October, UN entities and partners will showcase evidence-based solutions and promising practices on prevention, data and measurement, technology-facilitated violence, survivor-centred services, justice, financing, and the intersections between gender-based violence, climate change and humanitarian crises.

We each carry different strengths and years of work on the ground, and we share one goal: a world free from violence, where no one is left behind. Delivering as one, we turn research into action, and action into real change for people's lives. Come and explore our work, meet our teams, and be part of building that future.

## Monday, OCTOBER 5<sup>th</sup>

Pre-conference workshops

**Morning workshops – 9:00 – 12:00**

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| <b>Workshop 2</b><br>Practical steps for child-centered organizations to prevent violence against women and children and respond to survivor-victims' needs | This interactive workshop co-hosted by UNICEF, Save the Children, Plan International and World Vision International will explore evidence on the intersections of violence against children and violence against women. Participants will exchange practical strategies for how child-focused organizations can help prevent violence against women and children, mitigate its impact on children, and better support the specific needs of both women and child survivors/victims. The session will share promising practices, support peer exchange and learning, and identify concrete actions to strengthen protection systems and improve outcomes for children and their caregivers.                                                                 | <b>UNICEF</b><br>Office of Strategy and Evidence – Innocenti                                                               | Lotus 1 - 2 |
| <b>Workshop 3</b><br>Supporting disability-inclusive research on violence against children and violence against women                                       | This workshop explores how to meaningfully include women and children with disabilities in VAW and VAC research, recognising both shared principles and key differences in ethical and practical considerations. Participants will engage with a new WHO-developed checklist for disability-inclusive VAW research and a draft framework for VAC inclusion, using real-world examples and interactive groupwork to apply these tools. The session offers a space to reflect on context-specific challenges, identify feasible entry points for inclusion, and contribute to the development of a refined framework for disability-inclusive VAC research. Ideal for researchers, practitioners, and funders committed to more inclusive evidence-building. | London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, World Health Organization, University of Exeter, University of Dar es Salaam | Lotus 3 - 4 |

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| <b>Workshop 8</b><br>Leveraging safe, ethical VAW prevalence data for prevention and response strategies | Join the kNOwVAWdata pre-conference workshop for an intensive session designed to equip participants with cutting-edge knowledge and practical skills in analyzing and utilizing violence against women (VAW) prevalence data. This highly sought-after workshop, a consistently valued part of the SVRI Forum agenda, now integrates our latest experiences from prevalence measurement across Asia and the Pacific. This workshop will focus specifically on risk factor analyses – a powerful tool for unlocking deeper insights from prevalence surveys. You'll learn how to identify key drivers of violence and translate these complex analytical findings into concrete, evidence-based prevention programs and strategic response interventions. Our goal is to empower you to enhance the effectiveness of VAW initiatives in your region, drawing on real-world examples and lessons learned. | University of Melbourne, UNFPA                                           | Lotus 9  |
| <b>Workshop 10</b><br>Bridging sectors, building solutions: Combating TFGBV in a digital age             | This roundtable-style workshop brings together a multidisciplinary group of researchers, practitioner TFGBV. Hosted at the world's largest forum on sexual violence, the session draws on field experience – including a case study on CIR's collaboration with TikTok in Ethiopia – to unpack the intersections of gender, identity, and misinformation in digital harm. Participants will explore platform accountability models, ethical research methods, and approaches to multi-stakeholder collaboration through facilitated discussions and small-group breakouts. Designed for a global audience, this workshop fosters peer learning, sparks new partnerships, and supports the development of evidence-based, cross-sectoral responses to TFGBV.                                                                                                                                              | UNFPA, UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), Equimundo | Lotus 13 |

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| <b>Workshop 11</b><br>Putting women first: Ethical and safety guidelines in researching violence against women and the use of remote/virtual methods | Research on violence against women (VAW) involves complex ethical and methodological challenges, particularly when using remote or virtual methods. While these approaches offer practical benefits, they also raise critical concerns around privacy, consent, and safety. This workshop explores strategies for conducting safe, ethical VAW research, drawing on the newly updated WHO guidelines, Putting Women First. Participants will gain practical guidance on designing and implementing ethically sound research in both in-person and remote contexts. | World Health Organization, Yale University, Sexual Violence Research Initiative | Lotus 11 |

### Afternoon workshops – 14:00 – 17:00

| Title                                                                                                        | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Organizers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Location    |
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| <b>Workshop 13</b><br>Leveraging anti-poverty programming to prevent violence at scale: Evidence as practice | This workshop highlights evidence and implementation strategies across a diverse range of anti-poverty strategies linked to violence prevention – including cash transfers and social protection, interventions to promote labor force participation and employment, micro-finance and savings, and programming to strengthen property rights and assets. Its overall goal is to provide researchers and practitioners an overview of the theory, evidence, knowledge gaps, and practical application around each type of programming and its link to violence against women and children to strengthen participants' ability to discover new innovations, fill research gaps, and effectively translate evidence into programming and policy. The workshop will draw on recent reviews and primary research conducted by members of the Cash Transfer and Intimate Partner Violence Research Collaborative. | International Food Policy Research Institute, Policy Research Solutions (PRESTO) and State University of New York at Buffalo, UNICEF Evaluation Office, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Prevention Collaborative and John Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. | Lotus 3 - 4 |

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| <b>Workshop 14</b><br>Take back power:<br>Feminist capacity-building for AI and tech safety in GBV response | This interactive, capacity-building session is tailored for local women-led organisations and civil society actors working to prevent and respond to violence against women and violence against children. It aims to equip participants with the knowledge, tools, and confidence to engage in tech-related decision-making and advocacy. Topics include AI in humanitarian contexts, digital safety and self-defense, online gender-based violence, data justice, and the design of survivor-centred digital tools.                                                                                                                                              | UNICEF, Numun Fund, Gender Rights in Tech (GRIT), Girl Effect                                                                         | Lotus 5 - 6 |
| <b>Workshop 18</b><br>From practice-based learning to action:<br>Feminist praxis in the face of backlash    | In a context of global backlash, shrinking civic space, and deep funding cuts, feminist organisations are turning to practice-based learning and knowledge (PBL/K) as a powerful tool for resistance, reorganisation, and survival. This participatory workshop will explore how PBL/K can protect space, shift narratives, and build solidarity. Through collective reflection, storytelling, and group dialogue, participants will examine how feminist knowledge practices are sustaining movements and shaping new partnerships in crisis. The session will build on earlier Forum discussions and end with provocations to guide ongoing action and learning. | Raising Voices, What Works to Prevent Violence: Impact at Scale, UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women, SVRI / Safe Futures Hub | Ballroom A  |
| <b>Workshop 19</b><br>Rooted and rising:<br>Feminist GBV prevention strategies from the ground up           | Co-hosted by UN Women and UNFPA under the UN Joint Programme on GBV Prevention in Southeast Asia, this workshop explores how to design, adapt, and sustain effective gender-based violence prevention in low- and middle-income settings. Developed in collaboration with Breakthrough, the Asia Network to End GBV, and What Works to Prevent VAWG, the session centres grassroots leadership and feminist, community-led approaches grounded in behavioural science and the RESPECT framework. Participants will engage in peer dialogue, small group work, and               | UN Women, UNFPA Breakthrough, member of Asia Network to End GBV, What Works to Prevent Violence: Impact at Scale                      | Ballroom B  |

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|                                                                                                                | collective reflection, hearing directly from practitioners across South and Southeast Asia. The workshop offers tools, lessons, and insights for adapting and scaling prevention efforts, and aims to foster cross-regional collaboration and strengthen practitioner networks globally.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                             |          |
| <b>Workshop 23</b><br>Measuring violence against women: Psychological violence and non-partner sexual violence | While global progress has been made in measuring physical and sexual intimate partner violence, significant challenges remain in developing standardised, cross-cultural tools for assessing psychological IPV and non-partner sexual violence. These gaps contribute to underestimation and limit international comparability, including for global monitoring and SDG reporting. This workshop, drawing on WHO and partners' recent methodological work, will introduce current practices and explore key challenges in measuring and reporting these forms of violence. Participants will engage in guided discussions and group work to reflect on how to strengthen measurement in their own research and contribute to improved data collection and analysis globally. | Emory University, World Health Organization | Lotus 10 |



## Tuesday, OCTOBER 6<sup>th</sup>

7:00 – 9:00

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| <b>Democratizing digital and AI governance:</b> A Latin American case study of the Olimpia Law with Defensoras Digitales and UN Women | <b>Participant-driven event</b><br><br>This round table, co-led by Red de Defensoras Digitales and UN Women Mexico, brings diverse stakeholders to explore multisectoral responses to technology-facilitated violence against women and girls (TFVAWG). Panelists will share findings from UN Women Mexico's exploratory study on TFVAWG in three Mexican states, alongside Red de Defensoras Digitales' advocacy work, including its initiatives within the T-MEC/USMCA framework. The session will also present the plan of action currently being developed by UN Women in cooperation with Red de Defensoras Digitales and Mexico's Ministry of Women. This work comes at a pivotal moment: in March 2026, Mexico signed a first-of-its-kind voluntary collaboration agreement between the Ministry of Women and the platforms Google, Meta, and TikTok to prevent and address digital violence: an emerging model of platform co-responsibility that serves as a starting point for deeper engagement. These experiences will ground a moderated conversation with global actors on advancing digital and AI governance: how emerging technologies, including generative AI, reshape risks for women and girls, and how regulatory frameworks and survivor-centered approaches can be strengthened across regions. | UN Women and Red de Defensoras Digitales | Ballroom A |

## 11:00 – 12:30

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| <b>1.1 - A decade of change:</b> How rugby in the Pacific became a platform for preventing violence against women and girls | <b>Session</b><br><b>5 Subsessions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women, power and safety in Pacific rugby</li> <li>• Leadership on the line: Embedding safeguarding and accountability in rugby in Fiji</li> <li>• Get Into Rugby PLUS in Samoa: Gender-transformative violence prevention at community level</li> <li>• Reflections from the Get Into Rugby PLUS evaluation on what works to prevent violence through a sports-based approach</li> <li>• The evolution of Get Into Rugby PLUS, a multi-component violence prevention strategy through sports</li> </ul> | UN Women   | Plenary Hall |

## 13:00 – 14:30

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| <b>From Evidence to Action:</b> Using Policy Reforms and Data to end VAWG at scale | <b>Participant-driven event</b><br><p>This session will explore how data and evidence can drive more effective policy reforms to end violence against women and girls (VAWG) at scale. Despite significant global commitments and strengthened legal frameworks, progress in reducing VAWG remains slow, highlighting a critical gap between policy adoption and measurable impact.</p> <p>The session will present practical, evidence-based approaches that governments can use to accelerate progress, with a focus on translating data</p>  | UN Women, the Sexual Violence Research Initiative and Economist Enterprise | Ballroom A |

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|                                                                                                                                                       | <p>into actionable policy. It will introduce two key initiatives: the Ending Violence Against Women and Girls (EVAWG) Index, a forthcoming tool which will provide a comparative, evidence-based overview of countries' efforts to prevent and respond to VAWG and the Policies for Prevention Initiative, which synthesizes research on policy interventions proven to reduce violence beyond criminal justice responses.</p> <p>Bringing together policymakers, researchers, and practitioners, the event will highlight the importance of whole-of-government, cross-sectoral strategies and demonstrate how data can inform priority-setting, strengthen accountability, and support advocacy efforts. The session aims to equip stakeholders with concrete tools and insights to advance more targeted and effective policy reforms to eliminate VAWG.</p>                                                                                                                                                   |                                  |                  |
| <p><b>Safer at the point of care:</b> Integrating gender-based violence services across health, nutrition, and education in humanitarian settings</p> | <p><b>Participant-driven event</b></p> <p>A core challenge in humanitarian settings is meeting GBV survivors' needs at scale while providing safe entry points for disclosure in places women and girls already trust. While GBV guidance emphasizes the importance of integrating response across sectors, in practice, GBV services are often only available through specialized service points with limited coverage. As humanitarian resources come under increasing pressure, integration offers an effective way to reach more survivors through services that are already part of day-to-day life.</p> <p>Yet to be effective integration requires proper resourcing, local adaptation and technical support tailored to each entry point to ensure safe, quality, person-centered services, particularly in humanitarian settings marked by limited resources, service disruptions, displacement and instability.</p>  | <p>UNICEF, WHO, IMC and IPPF</p> | <p>Lotus 5-7</p> |

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|                                                                                   | WHO, UNICEF, IPPF and IMC have integrated GBV services into health, nutrition, and education interventions, generating valuable lessons on how integration can both improve survivors' access to support and strengthen outcomes across these sectors. This side event provides an opportunity to learn from these experiences and explore how integrated service delivery can – under the right circumstances – play a complementary role to specialized GBV programming in humanitarian settings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |            |
| <b>From Global Evidence to Local Action:</b> Knowledge Exchange on GBV Prevention | <p><b>Participant-driven event</b></p> <p>Gender-based violence remains one of the most pervasive human rights violations in Asia and the Pacific, yet a persistent gap exists between global research and how evidence reaches and is applied by practitioners, civil society, and governments in diverse contexts.</p> <p>Co-hosted by the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), the UK's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), and the UN Joint Programme on GBV Prevention in Southeast Asia (implemented by UN Women and UNFPA), this workshop brings together the Southeast Asia GBV Prevention Platform, What Works to Prevent Violence: Impact at Scale (What Works II), and civil society partners to explore how global and local evidence can be captured, adapted, and translated into accessible, context-relevant knowledge.</p> <p>Through practical group discussions and exercises, participants will share real examples of evidence application in practice, surface common challenges, and identify concrete opportunities for collaboration across research, practice, and policy. Experiences from Asia and the Pacific will inform a two-way exchange where knowledge flows between global evidence-holders and regional</p> | Hosted by the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), the United Kingdom Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), and the UN Joint Programme on Gender-based Violence Prevention in Southeast Asia (Implemented by UN Women and UNFPA) | Ballroom C |



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|       | practitioners. This is a hands-on workshop, designed to generate insight, build relationships, and leave participants with practical ideas and new connections. |            |          |

**13:00 – 14:00** | **Poster session I** | **Location:** Poster Area

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| <b>Ending violence for people at the intersections of risk and exclusion:</b> How new research can help ensure no one is left behind                                                | UN Spotlight Initiative and GenderSphere |
| <b>Breaking the silence:</b> Perceptions of obstetric violence among health professionals and students in Lebanon                                                                   | UNFPA                                    |
| <b>From theory to practice:</b> Applying the UNFPA Asia-Pacific social and gender norms tip sheets                                                                                  | UNFPA                                    |
| <b>Enabling access or automating empathy?</b> Chatbots for GBV survivors in conflicts and humanitarian emergencies                                                                  | UNICEF                                   |
| <b>Digital evidence as the new forensic evidence:</b> Building police-ready protocols for technology-facilitated GBV and sexual violence in Pakistan                                | UNFPA                                    |
| Intersecting impacts of climate change on gender-based violence, gender equality and sexual and reproductive health in South Sudan                                                  | UNFPA                                    |
| <b>Factors associated with contact intimate partner violence and reproductive coercion:</b> Nationally-representative results among ever-partnered women aged 15-30 years in Bhutan | UNFPA                                    |
| <b>TIPPING POINT:</b> The chilling escalation of online violence against women in the public sphere                                                                                 | UN Women                                 |

## 15:00 – 16:30

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| Shaping ASEAN's Next Regional Plan on the Elimination of Violence against Women Through Participatory, Evidence-Informed Policy Development                                  | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 2.3. From policy to practice:</b><br>Laws, strategies, and movements to address violence against women | ASEAN, ACWC Thailand and UN Women | Ballroom B |
| <b>From policy to practice, Fiji:</b><br>Whole-of-society prevention through the Fiji National Action Plan (NAP) to Prevent Violence Against All Women and Girls (2023-2029) | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 2.3. From policy to practice:</b><br>Laws, strategies, and movements to address violence against women | UN Women                          | Ballroom B |
| <b>From framework to practice:</b> Piloting the statistical framework for measuring the gender-related killing of women and girls in Asia and the Pacific                    | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 2.4. When violence turns lethal:</b><br>Research on femicide and prevention                            | UN Women                          | Ballroom C |

## 17:00 – 18:30

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| Strengthening survivor-centred justice response in Uganda through institutional coordination and engagement with customary justice systems | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 3.2.</b><br><b>Reaching survivors:</b> Help-seeking and the systems that respond | UNFPA      | Ballroom A |

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| <b>Progress is too slow:</b><br>Global, regional and national trends in the prevalence of intimate partner violence against women (2000-2023) | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 3.6.</b> Tracking intimate partner violence across the life course | WHO        | Lotus 5 - 6 |


**19:00 – 21:30**

| Title                                                                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Organizers    | Location |
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| <b>Invisible No More:</b><br>FGM in Asia — Data, Voices, and Action<br>(Closed event) | <b>Participant-Driven Event</b><br>UNICEF, UNFPA and partners will bring together researchers, advocates, survivors, community leaders, policymakers and development partners to advance dialogue and action on female genital mutilation (FGM) in Asia. Despite affecting more than 80 million girls and women across the region, FGM in Asia remains insufficiently recognized in global and regional discourse, with significant gaps in evidence, policy attention and investment.<br><br>This side event will provide a platform to amplify civil society and community voices, share emerging evidence and research priorities, and explore context-specific approaches to prevention and response. Through dialogue across research, policy and practice, participants will examine the drivers of FGM, the challenges posed by medicalization, and opportunities for stronger regional and South–South collaboration. The event will also highlight promising experiences from Asia and other regions, fostering knowledge exchange and collective learning to strengthen efforts to end the practice.<br><br>Aligned with the SVRI Forum's commitment to advancing evidence-based action,  | UNICEF, UNFPA | Lotus 11 |

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|       | inclusion and meaningful participation, the event aims to elevate FGM in Asia on the global agenda, strengthen partnerships across sectors, and catalyse greater recognition, investment and coordinated action to accelerate progress towards ending FGM and advancing the rights, dignity, health and well-being of girls and women. |            |          |



## Wednesday, OCTOBER 7<sup>th</sup>

**7:00 – 9:00**

| Title                                                                                                                         | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Organizers                                            | Location   |
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| <b>Rethinking Feminist Funding:</b> Evidence, Foresight, and the Future of Resourcing Ending Violence against Women and Girls | <p><b>Participant-driven event</b></p> <p>This side event will bring together civil society organizations, feminist funds and research partners to interrogate a central question: what can funding demand and CSO needs reveal about where the field of ending violence against women and girls is heading, and whether current financing models are keeping pace? Drawing on large-scale funding application trends and emerging foresight analysis, the session will surface ongoing conversations on structural gaps, shifting priorities, and underfunded frontiers, using demand as a signal of where change is being constrained.</p> <p>This event will bring together complementary financing actors, civil society organizations and research partners to reflect on what this evidence means for collective strategy across the ecosystem. The discussion will combine new analysis of current funding dynamics with evidence from the UN Trust Fund's</p>  | UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women and Girls | Ballroom B |

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|       | three decades of grantmaking, connecting long-term impact with real-time signals of where the field is heading. The session will ultimately move the conversation from who funds what to how the system responds to demand, and what it will take to resource feminist movements at the scale and speed required. |            |          |

### 9:00 – 10:30

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| <b>Five years of learning from Indashyikirwa in Syria:</b> Designing, delivering and evaluating a violence prevention programme with couples, opinion leaders and community activists | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Plenary II: Taking proven programmes to scale:</b> Lessons from the field | UNFPA      | Plenary Hall |

### 11:00 – 12:30

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| <b>When climate change hits:</b> Gender-based violence response in Pacific Island communities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Session 4.4</b></li> <li><b>5 Subsessions</b></li> <li>Ensuring safety across the humanitarian-development-climate nexus: Gender-based violence prevention and risk mitigation in climate-resilient infrastructure and emergency evacuation centres in Vanuatu</li> <li>On the frontlines of climate and crisis: Gender-based violence service delivery during drought in Kiribati</li> </ul> | UN Women   | Ballroom C |

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|                                                                                                                                                                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Climate shocks and pressure on gender-based violence service systems: Lessons from Safenet in the Solomon Islands</li> <li>Responding to gender-based violence in a context highly impacted by climate change: Lessons from Tuvalu</li> <li>Coordination of gender-based violence response during climate shocks, lessons from Tonga</li> </ul> |            |          |
| <b>Between norms, authority, and care:</b> Health providers' and religious leaders' roles in sustaining and contesting Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting in Indonesia | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 4.7. Norms, rights, and girls' lives:</b> Research on harmful practices                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | UNFPA      | Lotus 7  |

### 13:00 – 14:30

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| <b>Strengthening the measurement of violence against women:</b> Data availability, methodological issues and recommendations for good practice | <b>Participant-driven event</b><br>Despite global progress in measuring violence against women (VAW), major gaps continue to obscure its true scale and health impact. Persistent challenges in defining and measuring different forms of VAW limit evidence-based policymaking, investment, and effective multisectoral responses. This panel, jointly organized by WHO, IHME, UN Women and UNFPA, explores how data and measurement gaps weaken prevention and response efforts, focusing on non-partner sexual violence (NPSV), technology-facilitated violence against women (TFVAW) and global health burden of VAW. | WHO        | Lotus 11 |

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|                                                                        | <p>NPSV remains significantly underestimated, with poor cross-national comparability and variations on operational definitions</p> <p>Meanwhile, TFVAW is a rapidly evolving form/modality of abuse for which agreed-upon measures are still emerging. These weaknesses across prevalence monitoring are linked to under recognition of health consequences.</p> <p>Building on recent improvements in the Global Burden of Disease framework, the panel highlights that health loss attributable to VAW remains underestimated due to limited high-quality evidence on exposure–outcome relationships. It calls for stronger, more coordinated efforts to improve definitions, expand prevalence tracking, strengthen research on long-term health impacts, and invest in data systems. Improving how VAW is “counted” is essential for better monitoring, resource allocation, and more effective health and policy responses.</p>                                                                     |                         |             |
| <b>Sustainability Clinic:</b><br>Practitioner-Driven Insights Luncheon | <p><b>Participant-driven event</b></p> <p>In 2017, the United Nations (UN) and the European Union (EU) launched Spotlight Initiative – the largest global, targeted effort to eliminate all forms of VAWG and advance gender equality, a precondition to achieving the SDGs. With a €500 million investment from 2017 to 2023, the Initiative delivered significant results across 26 country programmes, 6 regional programmes and 2 civil society grant-giving programmes in Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Pacific and the Caribbean. Examining the sustainability of the Initiative’s comprehensive model and results is essential to the success of its second generation of programmes, which began launching in 2024.</p> <p>Hosted by the United Nations – Spotlight Initiative, this event will bring together key partners within the EVAWG sector as well as present findings from the Initiative’s</p>  | UN Spotlight Initiative | Lotus 1 - 4 |

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|                                                                                                                    | sustainability report explores the sustainability of Spotlight Initiative's achievements and approaches two years after the closure of its first phase of programmes and draws on insights from virtual interviews and surveys that included 106 stakeholders from governments, civil society organizations (CSOs), the UN, the EU and other partners.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |            |          |
| <b>Evidence to Action:</b><br>Cross-Regional Perspectives on Sustaining Movements for EVAWG from the ACT Programme | <p><b>Participant-driven event</b></p> <p>Strong and autonomous feminist movements are influential drivers of sustainable policy change and progress on ending violence against women and girls (EVAWG). In support of these movements and building on earlier investments, the European Union and UN Women have partnered since 2023 through the Advocacy, Coalition Building and Transformative Feminist Action to End Violence Against Women Programme (<a href="#">ACT to End Violence Against Women</a>).</p> <p>Through direct investment in women's rights organizations, coalition-building, research and advocacy, ACT aims to strengthen the leadership, resilience and collective influence of feminist movements while enhancing evidence-informed advocacy and accountability for global and regional EVAWG commitments.</p> <p>The session will feature ACT civil society partner reflections from Africa, Latin America and those with a global scope, including what works to strengthen feminist movements and coalitions in diverse contexts, lessons from research partnerships and evidence-based advocacy as pathways for accelerating accountability for EVAWG.</p> <p>Participants will gain practical insights on strengthening feminist movements, networking and entry points for collaboration with advocates from Africa and Latin America and co-creation of priorities for strengthening the EVAWG movement ecosystem over the coming years.</p> | UN Women   | Lotus 14 |

**13:00 – 14:00** | **Poster session II** | **Location:** Poster Area

| Title                                                                                                                                                                                    | Organizers              |
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| RESPECT women, preventing violence against women, second edition (2025)                                                                                                                  | WHO                     |
| <b>We should not be left alone to support women:</b> Perceptions of community health workers about their role in addressing domestic violence in Aurangabad, India                       | WHO                     |
| <b>Ending female genital mutilation/cutting in South and South-East Asia:</b> A regional accountability framework                                                                        | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Faith-based safeguarding:</b> Mobilizing faith leaders to prevent VAWG and strengthen gender-based violence response for adolescent girls and boys in Zambia                          | UN Spotlight Initiative |
| <b>Bung Wantaim:</b> A national civil society alliance to advance gender equality and women's empowerment in Papua New Guinea                                                            | UN Women                |
| <b>Beyond youth behaviour change communication:</b> A community platform for promoting gender equality and preventing gender-based violence – learning from practice in Papua New Guinea | UN Women                |
| <b>Integrated and sustained VAW prevention:</b> Evidence from SASA! Community and Faith interventions                                                                                    | UN Women                |
| <b>Applying trauma-informed principles to sexuality education for young people in low- and middle-income countries:</b> A scoping review                                                 | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Strengthening multi-sectoral prevention of violence against women and children:</b> Evidence and practice from UNFPA-DPMO collaboration in Eswatini                                   | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Integrating violence against women into World Bank operations:</b> Opportunities, challenges, and lessons for sustainable impact                                                      | World Bank              |
| <b>Transforming community beliefs to prevent sorcery accusation-related violence:</b> Lessons from UNFPA's community curriculum in Papua New Guinea                                      | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Applying trauma-informed principles to sexuality education for young people in low- and middle-income countries:</b> A scoping review                                                 | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Strengthening prevention strategies:</b> A case of Malawi safe spaces mentorships for adolescent girls and young women                                                                | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Making toolkits work:</b> Engaging local to global actors to build a compendium of SEAH prevention practices for humanitarian settings                                                | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Transforming community beliefs to prevent sorcery accusation-related violence:</b> Lessons from UNFPA's community curriculum in Papua New Guinea                                      | UNFPA                   |

| Title                                                                                                                                                           | Organizers |
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| <b>From marginalization to advocacy:</b> Empowering underrepresented voices for effective gender-based violence response                                        | UNFPA      |
| <b>Faith-based safeguarding:</b> Mobilizing faith leaders to prevent VAWG and strengthen gender-based violence response for adolescent girls and boys in Zambia | UNFPA      |
| <b>Ending female genital mutilation/cutting in South and South-East Asia:</b> A regional accountability framework                                               | UNFPA      |
| <b>From policy to practice in Samoa:</b> Lessons from operationalising the Pola Puipui Framework                                                                | UN Women   |
| Feminist, movement-led approach to preventing violence against women and girls in the Pacific                                                                   | UN Women   |
| From policy to practice, Solomons Islands - developing and implementing the national prevention strategy                                                        | UN Women   |
| Building safe sport systems in the Pacific as an enabler of violence prevention against women and girls                                                         | UN Women   |
| Golkipa - transforming social norms through sport, community and faith leadership, a Pacific model for primary prevention                                       | UN Women   |
| Challenges and opportunities for faith-based social norms change in the Pacific in the context of backlash                                                      | UN Women   |
| <b>Long-term change through faith:</b> Lessons from faith-based primary prevention approaches in the Pacific                                                    | UN Women   |
| <b>Community mobilisation during slow onset disasters:</b> Lessons from the Strengthening Peaceful Villages programme in Kiribati                               | UN Women   |
| Possibilities and promising practices for primary prevention through climate action                                                                             | UN Women   |

**15:00 – 16:30**

| Title                                                                                                     | Description                                                                                                                     | Organizers                         | Location   |
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| How to leverage gamification and digital influence to engage men and boys in ending gender-based violence | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 5.3. Technology-facilitated gender-based violence:</b> Evidence, innovation and response | UN Spotlight Initiative, Equimundo | Ballroom B |

| Title                                                                                                                               | Description                                                                                                | Organizers                                            | Location    |
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| <b>Gender backlash as structural violence:</b><br>Implications for ending violence against women in Eastern Europe and Central Asia | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 5.5. Holding ground:</b> Feminist responses to anti-gender backlash | UN Trust Fund to End Violence against Women and Girls | Lotus 1 - 4 |

### 15:00 – 16:30

| Title                                                                                                                                                                      | Description                                                   | Organizers | Location |
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| <b>Behind the scenes in Dakar:</b> Screening of "For Honor" to reduce intimate partners violence through positive masculinities and the evidence-based co-creation journey | <b>SVRI Forum Salon</b><br>Films, multimedia and conversation | UNICEF     | Lotus 12 |

### 17:00 – 18:30

| Title                                                                                                                                              | Description                                                                                                                    | Organizers | Location   |
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| <b>Critical analysis of China's legal responses:</b> Addressing technology-facilitated gender-based violence and identifying paths for improvement | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 6.4. TFGBV in China:</b> Law, platforms, advocacy, and survivor-centred responses       | UN Women   | Ballroom C |
| <b>Violence against women and jobs:</b> Economic costs, labor market pathways, and implications for policy and practice                            | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 6.7. Building systems that support and protect survivors:</b> From care to state action | World Bank | Lotus 7    |



## Thursday, OCTOBER 8<sup>th</sup>

**9:00 – 10:30**

| Title                                                                                                                                                                 | Description                                                                                                                        | Organizers    | Location    |
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| <b>The cycle of violence:</b> Analyzing the intersections of domestic violence against women and children in Moldova                                                  | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 7.5. Following violence over time:</b> What longitudinal research tells us about prevention | UNFPA, UNICEF | Lotus 1 - 4 |
| <b>Measuring psychological intimate partner violence:</b> Data availability, methodological issues, and recommendations for good practice                             | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 7.6.</b> Advancing intimate partner violence measurement science                            | WHO           | Lotus 5 - 6 |
| <b>Translating RESPECT Women into practice:</b> Country adaptations and insights                                                                                      | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 7.7.</b> Embedding violence prevention in education, families, and communities              | UN Women      | Lotus 7     |
| <b>From classroom to families and communities - integrating Connect with Respect:</b> Gender-based violence prevention in Timor-Leste's national education curriculum | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Session 7.7.</b> Embedding violence prevention in education, families, and communities              | UN Women      | Lotus 7     |

**11:00 – 12:30**

| Title                                                                                      | Description                                                                                                                                        | Organizers | Location     |
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| <b>Costing across the continuum:</b> Costing national prevention frameworks in the Pacific | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.1: Prevention, movements and technology:</b> Approaches to ending violence against women and children | UN Women   | Plenary Hall |

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| <b>Prevention of violence against women and girls through sports and faith:</b> An integrated approach in the Solomon Islands                                                 | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.1: Prevention, movements and technology:</b> Approaches to ending violence against women and children | UN Women   | Plenary Hall |
| <b>Navigating the shifting landscapes of TFGBV in Asia:</b> A qualitative study in Bangladesh, Indonesia, and Viet Nam                                                        | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.1: Prevention, movements and technology:</b> Approaches to ending violence against women and children | UNFPA      | Plenary Hall |
| <b>UN Women Artificial Intelligence school (2025):</b> Harnessing artificial intelligence for ending violence against women advocacy and movement building                    | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.1: Prevention, movements and technology:</b> Approaches to ending violence against women and children | UN Women   | Plenary Hall |
| Strengthening Cross-Border Service Referrals for Women Survivors of Gender-Based Violence in the Mekong Region                                                                | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.3: Systems under strain:</b> Funding, conflict and humanitarian settings                              | UN Women   | Ballroom B   |
| <b>Women and girls' safe spaces in a transitioning Syria:</b> Sustainability, effectiveness, and the quest for transformative impact in an ever-evolving humanitarian context | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.3: Systems under strain:</b> Funding, conflict and humanitarian settings                              | UNFPA      | Ballroom B   |
| <b>Strengthening care for child survivors of sexual abuse:</b> Centering women- and refugee-led organizations in service delivery                                             | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.4: A continuum of harm:</b> Harmful practices, sexual violence and femicide across the life course    | UNICEF     | Ballroom C   |

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| <b>At the Crossroads of Violence Against Women and Children:</b><br>The Consequences of Femicide on Children in Ecuador                                                                      | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.4: A continuum of harm:</b><br>Harmful practices, sexual violence and femicide across the life course | UNICEF           | Ballroom C  |
| <b>Empowering girls, securing futures:</b><br>The investment case for preventing adolescent pregnancy and child marriage in Southeast Asia                                                   | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.4: A continuum of harm:</b><br>Harmful practices, sexual violence and femicide across the life course | UNFPA            | Ballroom C  |
| <b>It's not violence, it's marriage:</b> Marital rape prevalence and normalizing attitudes in Bangladesh                                                                                     | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.4: A continuum of harm:</b><br>Harmful practices, sexual violence and femicide across the life course | UNFPA            | Ballroom C  |
| <b>Measuring prevention at national level:</b><br>learning from Asian contexts                                                                                                               | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.5: Making violence visible:</b><br>Measurement, methods and ethics in violence research               | UN Women and EQI | Lotus 1 - 4 |
| Advancing the conceptualization and measurement of forced marriage in household surveys                                                                                                      | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.5: Making violence visible:</b><br>Measurement, methods and ethics in violence research               | UNICEF           | Lotus 1 - 4 |
| <b>Understanding women's situation in Indonesia:</b> Insights from the third national violence against women survey                                                                          | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.5: Making violence visible:</b><br>Measurement, methods and ethics in violence research               | UNFPA            | Lotus 1 - 4 |
| <b>Co-creating disability inclusive gender-based violence response tools in the Pacific:</b><br>The investment case for preventing adolescent pregnancy and child marriage in Southeast Asia | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.6:</b> Intersecting vulnerabilities and responses to violence                                         | UNICEF           | Lotus 5 - 6 |

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| <b>Co-creating disability inclusive gender-based violence response tools in the Pacific:</b><br>The investment case for preventing adolescent pregnancy and child marriage in Southeast Asia | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.6:</b> Intersecting vulnerabilities and responses to violence                                         | UNICEF     | Lotus 5 - 6 |
| <b>Beyond borders and barriers:</b> Centering migrant and refugee women in feminist approaches to violence prevention and protection                                                         | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.6:</b> Intersecting vulnerabilities and responses to violence                                         | UN Women   | Lotus 5 - 6 |
| <b>Beyond silos:</b><br>Integrating gender-based violence and nutrition services for better outcomes for women and children                                                                  | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.7: From design to delivery:</b> Integrating and scaling real-world responses to gender-based violence | UNICEF     | Lotus 7     |
| <b>Learning, linking, leading:</b> A national model for survivor-centered gender-based violence case management                                                                              | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>FMP session 8.7: From design to delivery:</b> Integrating and scaling real-world responses to gender-based violence | UNFPA      | Lotus 7     |


**13:00 – 14:30**

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| <b>Advancing Evidence, Partnerships and Action on EVAWG, Harmful Practices and SRHR in Africa:</b><br>The SIARP 2.0 Agenda | <b>Participant-driven event</b><br>This participant-driven Strategy Co-Creation Lab and Knowledge-to-Action Exchange will introduce the four-year strategic vision of the Spotlight Initiative Africa Regional Programme (SIARP 2.0, | UN Spotlight Initiative Africa Regional Programme | Ballroom C |

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|       | <p>2026–2029). Building on the achievements of SIARP 1.0, including support for the development of the EVAWG Africa Convention, the operationalization of the ECOWAS Gender Observatory, advances in harmful practices accountability frameworks, the development of the first AU Regional Action Plan on EVAWG, and strengthened shadow reporting platforms,, this session explore how stronger partnerships, evidence and collective action can accelerate progress on ending violence against women and girls (EVAWG) and harmful practices, while advancing sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) across Africa.</p> <p>Bridging the gap between research, activism, and policymaking, this event directly engages donors, regional policymakers, and frontline civil society organizations. Through interactive, world-café-style "Strategy Hubs," participants will discuss developing data-driven strategies to counter anti-rights movements and strategize for sustainable investment pathways in Africa. Drawing upon the SIARP2.0 blueprint, this event provides a dynamic, collaborative space to facilitate south-south exchange around financial commitments and uptake of evidence by policymakers to eliminate violence against women and girls (VAWG) and harmful practices across the continent.</p> |            |          |

**13:00 – 14:00** | **Poster session III** | **Location:** Poster Area

| Title                                                                                                                   | Organizers                                   |
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| <b>Adapting Gender-Based Violence Prevention Programmes in Southeast Asia:</b> Practice-Informed Guidance               | Prevention Collaborative, UNFPA and UN Women |
| <b>Decoding under-reporting:</b> A multi-communal analysis of barriers to gender-based violence disclosure in Gao, Mali | UNFPA                                        |

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| <b>Accredited micro-qualifications for women:</b> Closing Moldova's lifelong learning gap to prevent violence and strengthen economic empowerment                       | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Strengthening gender-based violence case management for ever married adolescent girls:</b> Intersection between child marriage and gender-based violence programming | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Combating sexual exploitation and abuse in Democratic Republic of the Congo schools:</b> The impact of a multisectoral approach on reporting and care access         | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Sexual autonomy and self-efficacy among Ethiopian women:</b> Measurement validation, socio-demographic predictors, and implications for intimate partner violence    | UNFPA                   |
| <b>No one should stand alone:</b> Towards a unified response to sorcery accusation related violence in Papua New Guinea                                                 | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Enhancing support mechanisms for domestic violence survivors:</b> The role of Islamic financial institutions in Malaysia                                             | UNFPA                   |
| Un chatbot de WhatsApp para la prevención de violencia y el acceso a derechos en contextos de retracción de políticas                                                   | UNFPA                   |
| Diagnóstico de la situación actual de la violencia basada en género y la capacidad de respuesta de los servicios locales en 40 municipios Cubanos                       | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Transforming community beliefs to prevent sorcery accusation-related violence:</b> Lessons from UNFPA's community curriculum in Papua New Guinea                     | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Applying trauma-informed principles to sexuality education for young people in low- and middle-income countries:</b> A scoping review                                | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Strengthening gender-based violence case management for ever married adolescent girls:</b> Intersection between child marriage and gender-based violence programming | UNFPA                   |
| Asia-Pacific roadmap for LGBTIQ+ affirming gender-based violence prevention and response programming                                                                    | UNFPA                   |
| <b>Sustaining Impact:</b> How to Sustain Seed Investment in EVAWG Programming                                                                                           | UN Spotlight Initiative |
| Measuring gender-based violence risk mitigation in education in emergencies programmes                                                                                  | UNICEF                  |
| Adaptive survivor-centred safe shelter in resource-scarce Pacific contexts                                                                                              | UN Women                |
| <b>Counting the cost:</b> Financing violence prevention in Fiji                                                                                                         | UN Women                |

### 15:00 – 16:30

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| <b>A 15-year mirror:</b><br>Tracking shifting trends, digital violence, and climate risks in Vanuatu | <b>Oral presentation</b><br><b>Plenary III: When the climate changes, who gets hurt:</b> Gender -based violence and environmental stress | UNFPA      | Plenary Hall |

### 19:30 – 21:30

| Title                                                                                 | Description                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Organizers                           | Location   |
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| Validating global priorities and shaping the shared research agenda<br>(Closed event) | <p><b>Participant-driven event</b></p> <p>Child marriage is changing – and the evidence must keep pace. Humanitarian crises, climate change, displacement, shifting gender norms, and economic pressures are raising urgent questions that current research cannot fully answer. Which evidence gaps should the global community address first? And what knowledge would make the greatest difference to policy, programmes, and the lives of girls?</p> <p>Join UNICEF Innocenti – Global Office of Research and Foresight, the UNFPA-UNICEF Global Programme to End Child Marriage, Girls Not Brides, and WHO for an interactive SVRI Forum side event to directly shape the Shared Global Research Agenda on Child Marriage. Since early 2026, the initiative has convened a series of global thematic consultations and regional consultations across diverse stakeholder groups and geographies. These consultations have generated rich insights into priority evidence gaps, emerging research needs, and opportunities to strengthen the use of evidence for policy and programming.</p> <p>This interactive SVRI Forum side event will present the emerging findings from these</p> | UNICEF, UNFPA, Girls Not Brides, WHO | Ballroom C |

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|                                                                                           | <p>consultations and engage participants in validating and refining the priority research areas that will inform the next stage of agenda development.</p> <p>By the end of the session, participants will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand the emerging findings from the global and regional consultation process and the major evidence gaps identified across thematic areas.</li> <li>• Critically reflect on whether the proposed priorities reflect the most pressing research needs facing policymakers, practitioners, advocates, and affected communities.</li> <li>• Identify missing or underrepresented areas requiring further attention before finalization of the Shared Global Research Agenda.</li> <li>• Contribute to building consensus around a shared set of evidence priorities that can guide future investments in research, evaluation, and learning to accelerate progress toward ending child marriage.</li> </ul> |                                               |             |
| <b>Surviving War's Oldest Crime:</b> Moving Forward from Conflict-Related Sexual Violence | <p><b>Participant-driven event</b></p> <p>UN Action proposes an interactive cocktail event focused on elevating the voices of survivors of conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV) and raising awareness/discussing what it takes to support a survivor in their healing journey. Over the years, UN Action has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implemented programmes that embody a survivor-centred approach and collected promising practices and lessons learned including on technology-facilitated CRSV, working with LGBTQI+ communities, and economic empowerment</li> <li>• Co-created advocacy tools with survivors</li> <li>• Collected survivors' testimonies in their own words.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | UN Action Against Sexual Violence in Conflict | Lotus 1 – 4 |

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|                                          | Participants will walk through during a cocktail hour to engage with small, interactive 'booths' set up throughout the room to learn about and engage with these three elements. This will include photographs with descriptions, a short video, audio recordings of survivors' testimonies, and an opportunity to win notebooks and other advocacy materials created with survivors. Drawing from UN Action member entities' expertise, this interactive event will highlight how the international community can prevent and respond to conflict-related sexual violence. This includes providing access to healthcare in the critical 72H window after sexual violence, working with armed groups to prevent sexual violence, and supporting children born of wartime rape and LGBTQI+ survivors in contexts of stigma. |                    |             |
| Violence against women and mental health | <b>Participant-driven event</b><br>This is an invitation-only meeting to brainstorm what can be done to strengthen research and interventions on VAW and mental health in the context of prevention and response and identify key evidence and measurement gaps                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | WHO and World Bank | Lotus 5 - 7 |



# Friday, OCTOBER 9<sup>th</sup>

## 12:00 – 15:30

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| Development of global guidelines for LGBTQ+ inclusion in VAW and VAC household surveys | <p><b>Participant-driven event</b></p> <p>EQI, SVRI and UN Women invite SVRI Forum 2026 participants to join a roundtable technical discussion on the development of global guidelines for LGBTQ+ inclusion into long-standing violence against women (VAW) and violence against children (VAC) household surveys.</p> <p>LGBTQ+ communities experience disproportionately high rates of sexual violence in childhood and adolescence, intimate partner violence, and other forms of violence and discrimination. Yet quantitative measurement of these experiences in standardized household surveys is limited.</p> <p>Building on recent momentum around LGBTQ+ inclusion in VAW and VAC research, this roundtable will include brief presentations from recent surveys inclusive of LGBTQ+ participants, followed by a guided technical discussion on the development of best practices for survey questions (standardized and population-specific), response categories, survey item placement, skip patterns, cross-time comparability, and an ethics and safety branching matrix to map choices, possible outcomes, probabilities, or consequences of LGBTQ+ survey inclusion.</p> | Equality Institute, Sexual Violence Research Initiative, UN Women | Lotus 10 |

