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Consortium Announcements

1. Launch of the Consortium Alumni Network!

The Consortium Alumni Network is now LIVE! This new password-protected web space is exclusively for alumni of the Consortium Internship Program to network and build community with one another. A big thank you to the 100+ alums who have already registered and started using the interactive “Research the Network” and “Directory” functions to learn more about what their fellow alums have gone on to do in the field of gender, peace and security. The space will only get richer as it grows, so if you haven’t registered yet, it’s not too late to create your profile, visit: <http://genderandsecurity.org/internships/alumni-network>

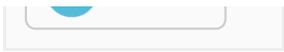
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Conferences, Trainings and Lectures

2. 13th AWID International Forum: “Feminist Futures: Building Collective Power for Rights and Justice,” Costa do Sauípe, Bahia, Brazil

Participants from a broad diversity of movements and sectors will collectively strategize for feminist futures: from women’s rights and feminist movements (including special attention to Brazilian women’s rights activists), to peace, economic justice, environmental, and human rights movements, among others.





Date: May 5-8, 2016

Location: Costa do Sauipe, Mata de São João, Brazil

For more information, visit: <http://www.forum.awid.org/forum16/>

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Fellowships and Funding Opportunities

3. 2016-2017 Research Associates, Five College Women's Studies Research Center, South Hadley, MA

Located in a geographic area with one of the largest concentrations of scholars dedicated to feminist scholarship and teaching in the world, the Five College Women's Studies Research Center encourages engaged, critical feminist scholarship from diverse perspectives. To support this work, the Center established its Associates Program more than 20 years ago. Scholars come to the Center from around the world, seeking a supportive environment to carry out their research. Given an office with access to extensive consortium resources, associates gather regularly to discuss their research with each other and interested local faculty in a variety of settings.

Application Deadline: February 15, 2016

For more information, visit:

https://www.fivecolleges.edu/fcwsrsrc/applying_to_the_center

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Job Openings and Internships

4. Gender Advisor, Nathan Associates Inc., Amman, Jordan

Nathan Associates Inc. is currently seeking a Gender Advisor for an anticipated USAID-funded economic policy project in Jordan. The Gender Advisor will be responsible for the design and integration of gender interventions for the anticipated project. This will involve ensuring project implementation integrates gender throughout the project life, liaising with government partners, project stakeholders and other USAID projects on gender-related issues, activities, and indicators, and training stakeholders and staff as necessary. Preference will be given to local applicants.

Application Deadline: Open until filled

For more information, visit:

http://curaportal.mindscope.com/NATHAN04053_cura.aspx/JobDetails.aspx?Job_ID=1300

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5. Consultant, Sexual Violence and Research Initiative (SVRI)

The SVRI would like to assess what organisational form will help it best meet its goals and to develop a vibrant, sustainable model of leadership, operations, and engagement for the long-term success of the organization and its members. The SVRI is seeking a consultant team to help determine the most effective operational model and structure going forward.

Application Deadline: January 15, 2016

For more information, visit: <http://www.svri.org/SVRIreviewTOR.pdf>

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6. Regional Programme Specialist – Gender and Inclusion in Peacebuilding, UNDP, Bangkok, Thailand

The Regional Programme Specialist, Gender and Inclusion in Peacebuilding will focus on creating regional platforms and promoting women participation in peacebuilding, including resource mobilization. S/he will build strategic partnerships with national and regional women's networks, think tanks and women-focused support organizations (including UN agencies) for creating a strong regional advocacy agenda on gender, equality, peace and development that can be translated to the national policy and programmatic contexts.

Application Deadline: December 29, 2015

For more information, visit: https://jobs.undp.org/cj_view_job.cfm?cur_job_id=62451

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7. Gender-Based Violence (GBV) Manager, International Rescue Committee, Sarh, Chad

The GBV Manager will be in charge of the implementation, management, supervision and the monitoring of the new GBV program in the South of Chad that supports returnees and refugees from CAR. S/he will be responsible for managing activities in Doyaba, Doba, and Moundou transit centers, and any other related site where returnees are relocated. The candidate will also be responsible for the design, implementation and management of the program and for building the capacity of national and refugee staff.

Application Deadline: Open until filled

For more information, visit:
<http://chj.tbe.taleo.net/chjo4/ats/careers/requisition.jsp?org=IRC&rid=12966&cws=1>

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8. Technical Advisor, Women's Protection and Empowerment, International Rescue Committee, New York, NY

This position will work within IRC's US Programs (USP) Program Quality &

Innovation team and the WPE team on programs preventing and responding to violence against women and girls, with a specific focus on quality service delivery. The TA will support technical quality, sustainability, expansion, and depth of USP's Bridge to Safety project, as well as other programs on preventing and responding to violence against women including the promotion of women's social and economic empowerment. The TA will work with US Programs staff to identify strategic entry points to work with women, girls, families, and communities, and identify current successful models within US Programs to be replicated.

Application Deadline: Open until filled

For more information, visit:

<http://chi.tbe.taleo.net/chi04/ats/careers/requisition.jsp?org=IRC&cws=1&rid=12960>

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9. Women Protection and Empowerment Coordinator, International Rescue Committee, Burundi

The WPE/Protection Coordinator provides overall strategic direction and vision for the Women Protection and Empowerment and Governance and Rights programs and manages the other protection components under UNHCR community services portfolio. The coordinator serves as first focal point for communication/coordination/operation with UNHCR regarding protection activities. In addition to overseeing the implementation of the activities listed above, the position plays an active role in the general strategic leadership of the country program. The position also serves as a representative of the WPE and Governance and Rights (G&R) programs at various levels including the national and local government, international and local NGO partners, UN organizations and other strategic partnerships.

Application Deadline: Open until filled

For more information, visit:

<http://chi.tbe.taleo.net/chi04/ats/careers/requisition.jsp?org=IRC&cws=1&rid=12949>

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10. Women Protection and Empowerment Coordinator, International Rescue Committee, Juba, South Sudan

The Women's Protection and Empowerment (WPE) Coordinator is responsible for strategy development, program design, technical support to ensure quality implementation, standardization, monitoring and evaluation of all activities in the field of WPE. Primary duties will include strengthening the WPE sector and providing technical oversight of this program across all sites of implementation. Focus is on program quality, with program progress being monitored and evaluated against quantifiable benchmarks, and business development, to ensure sufficient funding for multi-year robust programming.

Application Deadline: Open until filled

For more information, visit:

<http://chj.tbe.taleo.net/chj04/ats/careers/requisition.jsp?org=IRC&cws=1&rid=12942>

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Calls for Papers, Proposals and Submissions

11. Call for Papers: *Journal of Narrative Politics*

The *Journal of Narrative Politics* welcomes submissions in these and other genres: scholarly journal submissions from professional academics that engage the narrative turn underway in international studies or that experiment with the written form to produce new kinds of scholarship; submissions of political prose, photography essays, original art, reportage or videography, or other work from professional academics, students, activists, artists, musicians, performance artists, and others with an investment and interest in global politics, broadly defined; writing or other media that supports indigenous, environmental, and women's movements and other movements dedicated to peace and justice.

Application Deadline: Open until filled

For more information, visit: <http://journalofnarrativepolitics.com/instructions-for-authors/>

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Reports, Publications, Tools and Resources

12. Article: "Response to Draft Paris Outcome," Women and Gender Constituency

This paper responds to the most recent draft of the Paris Agreement issued by the French Presidency. The authors outline a list of concerns and argue that it represents a disappointing step away from the promised commitment to human rights and at the same time, it suggests a move to pressure developing countries into accepting a weaker outcome in the final hours of negotiations.

For more information, visit: <http://womensgenderclimate.org/wp-content/>

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13. Report: "Women, Weapons, and War: A Gendered Critique of Multilateral Instruments," Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)

This paper explores existing and potential synergies between multilateral instruments (such as the Arms Trade Treaty, the UN Programme of Action on trade in small arms and light weapons, among others), looking at the language they contain. It suggests where things have come together to promote a useful

gendered approach to armed conflict and armed violence prevention and resolution and to disarmament and arms control. It also examines contradictions and areas where things have gone wrong. Finally, it offers recommendations for developing an integrated, gendered approach to armed conflict and armed violence with a view to confronting and challenging the overarching structures of patriarchal militarism.

For more information, visit: <http://www.reachingcriticalwill.org/images/>

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14. Article: "Sustainable Development Goals: What's Next From a Feminist Perspective?," Ana Inés Abelenda, AWID

The 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda, formally adopted by Heads of State and governments at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in September 2015, is the result of a three-year process throughout which women's rights activists and organizations mobilized to put gender equality and women's human rights at the center.

For more information, visit: <http://www.awid.org/node/4570>

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15. Journal Edition: "Sexual Violence in Armed Conflict," *International Review of the Red Cross No. 894*, International Committee of the Red Cross and Cambridge University Press

Sexual violence has been, and to a large extent continues to be, shrouded in silence. However, the dynamics behind it, including its prevalence and horrific toll on individuals and societies, have been progressively better understood over the last two decades. With this issue, the Review intends to contribute to the discussion on how to further improve access to and quality of services to victims, while also crafting effective prevention strategies. The fight against sexual violence in armed conflict requires a cross-disciplinary effort, bringing together expertise from diverse areas such as health, political science, gender studies, history, law and ethics.

For more information, visit: <https://www.icrc.org/en/international-review/>

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16. Article: "The Role of Faith-Based Organizations in Preventing and Responding to Sexual, Intimate Partner and Gender-based Violence in Conflict Settings: A Modified Critical Interpretive Synthesis," Magner et al, University of Otago for the Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI)

Sexual, intimate partner and other forms of gender-based violence (SIGBV) are a violation of human rights and a cause of morbidity and mortality in conflict settings. Faith based organizations often have access and influence in communities that few others have and may be in a unique position to respond to SIGBV. There is a need, however, to better understand the nature of interventions involving Faith Based Organizations (FBO), the extent to which they have been evaluated been found effective and the ways in which FBOs can

positively affect change and improve outcomes for survivors of SGBV in conflict settings.

For more information, visit: <http://www.svri.org/FBOreview.pdf>

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17. Tool: “Better Peace Tool,” International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN)

The Better Peace Tool addresses the ‘how to’ question by offering practical guidance for the effective inclusion of gender perspectives and women peace builders. Part I touches on the history and evolution of peacemaking in modern times. Part II presents the Better Peace Tool in two sections: Section 1 addresses six common barriers to the inclusion of women peace builders. Section 2 provides a comprehensive four-part framework with attention to the conceptual shifts, political, technical, and logistical/financial support needed.

For more information, visit: <http://static1.squarespace.com/static/>

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18. Article: “Counter-Terrorism Committee: Addressing the Role of Women in Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism,” Fionnuala Ní Aoláin

In this article, the author reports on an open session held by the UN Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC) on September 9th, briefing member states on the role of women in countering terrorism and violent extremism. The stated goal of the session was to report on how the CTC is encouraging states to integrate gender into the UN’s programming on counter-terrorism. The author concludes that violent extremism clearly affects women worldwide and in many dimensions, but viewing it as the mainstay of the work that needs to be done for women in the peace and security area is a convenient distraction.

For more information, visit: <https://www.justsecurity.org/25983/>

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19. Booklet: “Recommendations for Action Against Gender-Related Killing of Women and Girls,” UNODC, UN-Women, OHCHR and UNFPA

The United Nations recommends a number of practical measures to more effectively prevent, investigate, prosecute and punish gender-related killing of women and girls. This booklet aims to raise awareness among criminal justice practitioners, policy and decision makers, as well as United Nations staff and civil society. It presents the recommendations and the tools and assistance offered by the UNODC, UN-Women, the OHCHR and the UNFPA to implement them.

For more information, visit: <http://www.wunrn.org/pdf/>

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20. Article: "Faith in Islam & Faith in Women: Why Gender Justice is

Key to An Islam Without Extremes," Zainab Bangura

In this essay in *The Future of Conflict*, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary General on Sexual Violence in Conflict, Zainab Bangura, explains why gender justice is key to an Islam without extremism.

For more information, visit: <https://medium.com/the-future-of-conflict/>

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21. Article: "Syria's Rebellious Women," Rachel Shabi, Al Jazeera

The article provides overview of a documentary film series that was recorded over 18 months in rebel-held, war-ravaged Aleppo, Syria. The films show women who have been on the front lines alongside men in this war-torn city, or are responsible for securing food and vital supplies, or stitching up the wounded in field hospitals and making sure that schools open and kids get to them.

For more information, visit: <http://www.aljazeera.com/indepth/opinion/>

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22. Article: "Measuring Physical Violence and Rape Against Somali Women Using the Neighborhood Method," Angela Parcesepe et al, *Violence Against Women*

This study was conducted to estimate prevalence of gender-based violence (GBV) among female Somalis in Ethiopian refugee camps and host communities, compare prevalence in camps and communities, and compare prevalence in flight and in camp. GBV was common and overwhelmingly domestic. Women were at increased risk of GBV in camp compared with in flight. The domestic nature of GBV in humanitarian settings requires attention. Assumptions about violence in humanitarian settings should be further tested.

For more information, visit: <http://vaw.sagepub.com/content/>

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23. Tool: Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Mobile App, Women's International League for Peace & Freedom (WILPF)

WILPF launched a newly updated version of its Women, Peace and Security (WPS) app, available on Google Play, the iTunes App Store, and on BlackBerry World. In the newest version of the app, users have access to the latest member of the WPS Agenda, United Nations Security Council Resolution 2242, as well as updated statistics and thematic gendered analyses on country-specific Resolutions.

For more information, visit: <http://wilpf.org/updated-version-of-our-wps-app-is-out/>

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