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ARSRC: Building Common Ground



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It is my pleasure to present the ARSRC's 2005 Annual Report to friends, donors, partners and stakeholders. This has been a year of significant accomplishments for the ARSRC. In our four focal countries, we have enjoyed great improvement in the quality, reach and acceptance of our programmes. These programmes have created linkages between academicians, practitioners and policy makers, as well as, expanded the discourse around peoples' enjoyment of their sexuality, free of fear and stigma. Targeted networking and alliance building efforts, incisive publications, and expository public education and capacity-building programmes were the year's hallmark.

2005 marked the commencement of the application of the subsidiarity principle for ARSRC's programming with our sub-regional partners. Health Systems Trust (HST), ARSRC's partner institution in Southern Africa, hosted the 2005 Sexuality Institute in Johannesburg. HST also collaborated with the University of Cape Town and Department of Public Health, University of Pretoria, to organise two of the 2005 Understanding Human Sexuality Seminars in South Africa. These programmes were a huge success judging from the quality of resource persons, insightful discourses generated at the event and the enthusiasm with which the initiatives were received in South Africa. The same was the case with our partner institutions in Egypt and Kenya where the International Islamic Center for Population Studies and Research (IICPSR), Al Azhar University, Cairo, and Kenya Association of Professional Counsellors (KAPC), Nairobi respectively hosted a number of the Understanding Human Sexuality Seminars. We will build on these sub-regional partnerships in the coming year as we are already working towards having IICPSR host the next edition of the Sexuality Institute in Egypt come November 2006.

Other important collaborative initiatives embarked upon by the ARSRC in 2005 included the seminars held in partnership with the Africa Leadership Forum in Nigeria (ALF), HIV Social, Behavioural and Epidemiological Studies Unit, University of Toronto, and the Center for Health and Gender Equity (CHANGE), USA. The XIV International Conference on AIDS and STIs in Africa (ICASA) also provided a fertile ground for networking as the ARSRC mounted an exhibition of its works and hosted seminars and skills building workshops that featured speakers from the centre's four focal countries.

Four editions of the ARSRC's regular publication, Sexuality in Africa Magazine, were published and widely distributed through our database of hardcopy subscribers and free downloadable copies on the World Wide Web. In order to reach sexuality stakeholders and allied professionals in non-Anglophone Africa, French and Arabic versions of ARSRC's website were also launched by the end of 2005. The English version recorded an annual average of 50,000 visits from around the world and we hope to see a significant increase in the number of visits in the year 2006 with the availability of the French and Arabic versions of the site.

I would also like to seize this opportunity to acknowledge the support we received from the Ford Foundation, our colleagues on the Global Dialogue on Sexual Health and Well-being and the sub-regional partner institutions, as well as, ARSRC alumni and associates, without whom we would not be able to accomplish our mandate. The challenges are enormous but we at the ARSRC are committed to the cause of promoting a more healthy, respectful, responsible and pleasurable expression of human sexuality on the continent.

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Public Education and Information Exchange



Paper discussant, Nkolika Aniekwu of the University of Benin, Edo State, Nigeria takes the floor during one of the Lagos seminars

Public education and information exchange are key instruments that the ARSRC employs to actualise its mission of promoting “informed public dialogue and opportunities for learning and advocacy on human sexuality” with a focus on Africa and for providing opportunities for cross-national analysis of key sexuality issues. The quarterly understanding Human Sexuality Seminar Series implemented in the four ARSRC focal countries are important in achieving this objective. In addition, in 2005, ARSRC organized two public dialogue sessions in collaboration with two institutions based in Canada and Nigeria respectively.

While these seminars and public dialogues were held in the focal countries, Egypt, Kenya, Nigeria and South Africa, the dissemination of the reports and proceedings on the ARSRC website ensures that the analysis of these key sexuality issues are accessible not just within the continent but globally.

The Understanding Human Sexuality Seminar Series
The Understanding Human Sexuality Seminars are organised quarterly in the ARSRC focus countries and provide a forum for the exchange of ideas, lesson learned and advocacy that will expand and shape the discourse, thinking and action on sexuality. The seminar series also contributes to the documentation of views, experiences and emerging knowledge on sexuality-related issues in Africa while promoting healthy, respectful, responsible and pleasurable sexuality. The 2005 seminars examined key sexuality concerns on the continent. Please see Table 1 for the 2005 seminar themes.

The 2005 seminars featured interesting presentations by a cross section of speakers including academicians, activists, members of civil

Table 1

Quarter	Theme
1.	Sexuality Education
2.	Sexuality and Social Institutions
3.	Sexuality Beyond Reproduction
4.	Sexuality, Violence and HIV/AIDS

Table 2

PAPER TITLE	COUNTRY	PROFILE OF PRESENTER
Empowering Youths Through Sexuality Education: The Challenges and Opportunities Synopsis: The paper traces the history of sexuality education programming in Nigeria, acknowledges the diversity of actors that were involved and the landmark success that was achieved when the Nigerian government approved the National Curriculum for Comprehensive Sexuality Education in August 2001. The paper draws attention to the misunderstanding that usually surrounds the word sexuality, adding, “it is the misconception associated with limiting sexuality to the genitals and reproductive processes such as child birth that gives room for opportunistic politicisation of human sexuality”.	Nigeria	Bene Madunagu is a Professor of Botany at the University of Calabar in Nigeria. Among her many accomplishments, she co-founded Girls Power Initiative, Nigeria where she serves as Chairperson of the Executive Board. She is the general coordinator of the Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN)
Delaying Gratification as a Beautiful Choice Synopsis: This paper, borrows from the rich literary traditions of Kenya and explores the implications of the choice to delay sexual debut	Kenya	Muchugu Kiiru is a lecturer in the Department of Literature, University of Nairobi, Kenya
Sexuality of Older Women Synopsis: The paper, presented at the sexuality seminar series on Sexuality Beyond Reproduction, examines issues of sexuality in relation to ageing, menopause, the body, power and gender inequity in a bid to explore the ways in which they shape older women's experiences of sexuality in a South African context	South Africa	Phyllis Orner is a senior researcher at the Women's Health Research Unit, School of Public Health and Family Medicine, University of Cape Town. She has two Masters' degrees in Women's and Gender Studies and in Research Psychology.



A participant shares his experience during the dialogue on 'High Risk' population.

society organizations and others. Table 2 features a sample of some of the paper presentations:

Public Dialogues

In 2005, ARSRC organized two public dialogue sessions in collaboration with African Leadership Forum, Nigeria, and the HIV Social and Epidemiological Unit, University of Toronto. In line with its mission to promote informed “public dialogue and opportunities for learning”, the ARSRC seized the window of opportunity provided to organize a public dialogue on the topic: Sexuality, Behaviour and HIV/AIDS In “High Risk” Populations during the working visit of three behavioural researchers from the University of Toronto, Canada, to Nigeria.

The University of Toronto team was made up of Ted Myers, a Professor in the Department of Public Health Sciences, University of Toronto where he is Director of the HIV Social, Behavioural and Epidemiological Studies Unit; Sylvia Adebajo, a physician and faculty member at the Department of Community Health, University of Lagos, who is currently undertaking doctoral studies in Epidemiology in the Department of Public Health Sciences, University of Toronto; and Dan Allman, a Research Associate at the HIV Social, Behavioural and Epidemiological Studies Unit.

The Public Dialogue was held on August 17, 2005, and it provided a public platform, a sort of parliament that encouraged stakeholders to speak their minds and express their views on the issue of HIV and AIDS. The objective of the interactive public dialogue was to facilitate an open discussion of sexuality, risk behaviour, and the social and structural factors that contribute to HIV vulnerabilities in diverse

populations within international, national and local contexts and with particular reference to Nigeria.

ARSRC, in collaboration with the Africa Leadership Forum (ALF), also organized a Special Leadership Retreat on a weekend 16-18 September 2005. The retreat brought together forty carefully selected delegates from various segments of the population (academia, media, government, civil society organisations, religious leaders and senior citizens) to brainstorm and to openly discuss two critical subject areas - *Sexuality Beyond Reproduction and; Violence and HIV/AIDS* - within the Nigeria context.

The objective of the meeting was to generate knowledge and ideas through healthy dialogue that will feed into policy and programmes to adequately address the increasing needs of the different segments of the Nigerian population as regards healthy and responsible sexuality. The Special Sexuality Retreat took place at the International Conference Hall, Africa Leadership Forum, ALF Plaza, Ota, Ogun State.



Work group during the leadership retreat

Capacity Building and Leadership Development



2005 Fellows

The ARSRC runs two core training programmes; the Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship (SLDF) that takes place annually in Lagos for three weeks, and the Africa Sexuality Institute, which takes place on rotational basis in the focal countries. The 2005 edition was hosted by ARSRC's partner institution in Southern Africa, Health Systems Trust, and took place in Johannesburg, South Africa.

Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship

"On the 1st of September we had a Women's Day celebration focusing on Women and HIV/AIDS and I was one of the speakers who spoke on behalf of the health sub district for the day. Your inputs

and experiences during the SLDF made me an expert. I also used the presentation skills I learned. Thanks to the SLDF 2005. I LUV and MISS you guys" (Mandisa Sitonga a South African Participant writing to other participants on the SLDF 2005 Yahoo! Group on September 5, 2005)

The Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship (SLDF) 2005 took place in Lagos, Nigeria from July 3-22, 2005. Nineteen Fellows graduated in the 2005 edition of the Fellowship. The ARSRC implements the SLDF as one of the main strategies for achieving the objective of nurturing and building professional capacity in the emerging field of sexuality; and building links between kindred organizations and individuals in Africa working on sexuality issues.

The fellowship is designed to catalyse development in the field of sexuality by:

- ▶ Providing exposure to cutting-edge conceptual, theoretical and programmatic issues in sexuality, sexual health and sexual rights;
- ▶ Providing opportunities to conduct research or action projects on sexuality issues;
- ▶ Promoting mentoring of young African professionals by experts in the field; and
- ▶ Facilitating the emergence of a new generation of leaders.

The training was structured into three thematic weeks that covered both theory and practice. Week 1, which was on theoretical and conceptual perspectives, provided an introduction to the field of sexuality. Week 2, explored the various intersections of sexuality and showed how central sexuality is to human development in Africa. Week 3, 'From Theory to Practice' explored and designed concrete



Prof. Kopano Ratele, Faculty 2005 SLDF



Testimonies from participants at the 2005 SLDF training.

Participants affirmed that their attitudes changed in the following ways:

- ▶ *I learned to respect people's way of expressing their sexuality and sexual orientation*
- ▶ *I learned that sexuality is more than sex*
- ▶ *I learned to respect diverse religious and cultural opinions*
- ▶ *To control "masculine" attitudes*
- ▶ *I can break the silence and talk about sexuality to children and students*
- ▶ *I am more gender sensitive*
- ▶ *The training made me realise that sexuality education is fundamental in addressing emotional, psychological and physical health problems.*

skills and actions to promote healthy sexuality.

The State and Sexuality

The critical intersection between the State and Sexuality was a new area of focus introduced in the 2005 fellowship. Facilitated by Prof. Kopano Ratele of the Department of Psychology and Women & Gender Studies Programme, Western Cape University, South Africa, the session examined the ways in which the State as a structure engages sexual health and rights of individuals and groups. The focus was on reaching a critical gendered/feminist theory of the state rather than only a theory of power or the political. The session further critically examined how the liberal versus the authoritarian state engages with issues of sexuality.

SLDF 2005 Network

A mailing list for all the 2005 SLDF Fellows was created on yahoo! groups. The forum was set up to enable fellows network both at country and regional levels; share information, communicate their views on issues such as their expectations, country presentations, research notes and findings and also plan recreational activities. The idea was to make the participants active agents in the planning of the Fellowship. It was highly appreciated by the group and was time saving because issues such as participants' expectations were tackled even before participants arrived in Lagos.

The emailing forum helped to achieve the following:

- ▶ Fellows got to interact and know one another at both country and regional levels before the fellowship; they shared their expectations about the fellowship, received information on the format of country presentations and on the research action

projects. They could therefore start work even before the fellowship

- ▶ The forum also has been useful in archiving all related documents and materials regarding fellowship
- ▶ After the fellowship, the fellows have continued to network at both country and regional levels.

Research / Action Projects: Case Studies.

Throughout the duration of the fellowship, participants worked individually on developing their proposals and fine-tuning the research instruments and methodologies for their research /action projects. On their return to their respective countries, each fellow received a grant to support their 6-month project. The following represent the summary of projects carried out by some fellows from the different regions.

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Amos Oyedokun
Nigeria

Amos Olugbenga Oyedokun of Nigeria is addressing “Violence Against Women In Ife-North Local Government Area in southwest Nigeria”. As part of Oyedokun's activities to raise awareness about gender-based violence in Ife-North LGA, he organised a workshop in the Town Hall on 22nd October 2005. The workshop drew a cross-section of the public such as teachers, police officers (including the District Criminal Officer for Ife-North), Nurses, Pastors and others. During the sensitisation workshop, before disseminating the outcomes of his research, Oyedokun showed a documentary drama titled “No Safe Haven”, which according to him portrayed violations documented in Nigeria by Project Alert on Violence Against Women. “The participants including the police officers were able to see the critical situation of the subject matter and the police officers who had earlier asked (at the time I invited them) of the relevance of the issue of violence against women to the Police, were able to get answers to their questions and even took notes when a superior officer addressed various pertinent issues in the film,” says Oyedokun.



Gladys Some
Kenya

Gladys Some, an editor and broadcaster works with Christ Is The Answer Ministries (CITAM) in the Hope 93.3 FM in Nairobi, Kenya is working to promote “A Better Understanding of Sexuality Education Among Media Reporters”. Some says “Being the Head of News at my place of work, it was quite challenging to work full time on the project. I had to hire two project assistants and take them through a crash course on sexuality in order to prepare them well for the job they were to undertake. It's part of broadening the discourse on sexuality”.

On December 13, 2005, Some organised a workshop that was attended by 20 media practitioners at Nairobi's New Stanley Hotel. The participants brainstormed and discussed some of the challenges that they face when reporting sexuality issues, including: conservative policies of media houses, difficulties in ensuring

protection of information sources, and most especially the tabooing of sexuality discourse. Most of the participants agreed they would much rather report on more ‘important’ topics other than sexuality if given a choice. Some's project is working to change some of these perspectives.

Ms. Sandra Abdalla, a teaching assistant as well as post-graduate student in Cairo, Egypt, is working on a project titled “A Feminine Scripting of Sexuality: A Study of Five Egyptian Urban Women”. She is carrying out an in-depth investigation of what is “thought and taught to be feminine”. Abdalla says, “My analysis hangs on the three levels of scripting the cultural scenario, interpersonal script: and the intrapersonal script”. Abdalla's informants are educated, urban Egyptian women aged between 18 and 28 years who may either be single, married or divorced. “My study is important because I attempt to deconstruct the femininisation process; why certain versions of femininity are taught and culturally accepted.”



Sandra Abdalla
Egypt

Mandisa Sitonga is a health promotion officer in Sakhisizwe Sub-District, Chris Hani District in the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa. Her project aims to facilitate “Parents Involvement in Socialisation and Sexuality Education”. Sitonga started her work by introducing the project to the staff of her target school and during this meeting, the teachers identified some key sexuality issues that affect their students such as early pregnancies, sexual harassment, multi-partner relationships, amongst others. Thereafter, Sitonga organised separate meetings involving the school governing body and parents. A 2-day workshop was held for parents in the community from October 13-14, 2005, it examined problem areas that had earlier been identified such as parenting / values, reproductive health, sexual abuse and drug abuse. Sitonga was pleased that at the end of the workshop, parents were willing to



Mandisa Sitonga
South Africa

complete consent forms which read in part “I fully agree with the content of the project and prepared to participate in the project for the benefit of my children, my community and as an agent of change....”



Sexuality Institute participants in Johannesburg, South Africa, October 2005

The Africa Sexuality Institute

In 2004, the focus of the Sexuality Institute held in Lagos, Nigeria, was Sexuality Education. For the 2005 edition held in Johannesburg, South Africa, the theme was ‘Addressing Sexual Violence in Africa’. Deliberations sought to establish concrete and practical ways of addressing sexual violence and how to strengthen programming response to this challenge. The ARSRC's institutional partner, Health Systems Trust, in Southern Africa hosted the 2005 Institute. Participants were drawn from the ARSRC's focal countries: Egypt, Kenya and Nigeria and South Africa.

The five-day programme examined: Conceptual issues (including definition of concepts); and Social Development issues. Participants took field trips to organizations working in the field of sexuality and sexual violence such as the Crisis Centre (Pretoria Academic Hospital) and Engender Health (Diepkloof, Soweto).

Participants developed action plans for the way forward in preventing sexual violence at the regional level including a networking agenda for the continent.

Facilitating Access to Sexuality Resources

The ARSRC website, library, and publications such as Sexuality in Africa magazine are playing a key role in facilitating increased access to sexuality resources on the continent and beyond.

The Website

The website was redesigned to make it more attractive and user friendly. During the year in review, the Arabic and French versions of the website were also developed and opened to the public after a thorough review was undertaken by French and Arabic- speaking sexuality professionals to ensure the accuracy of the translations.

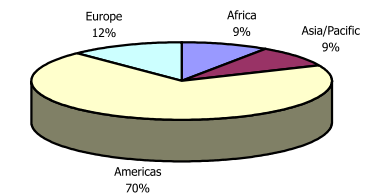
The website is attracting larger numbers of visitors. During November 2005, the site's visitors came from 127 countries. 30 of which are African (that is more than half of the countries of Africa).

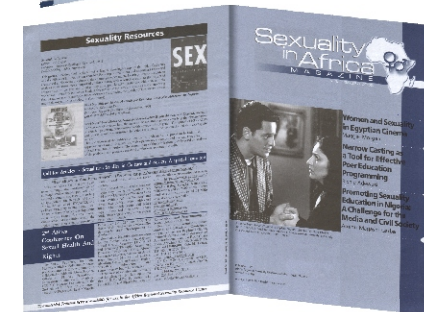
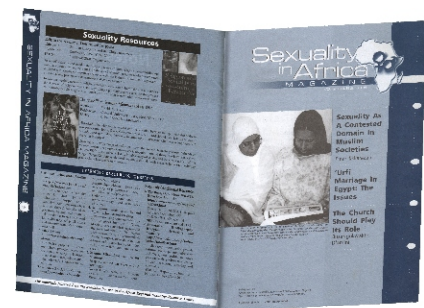
Figure 1 shows the geographic statistics for November. In recent months, the number of users has stabilized at around 50,000 hits. The website records monthly hits of over 7000 visits and 8000 views with a steady increase in the number of downloads. Over two-thirds (67%) of the views are to the resources sections. The website is therefore providing a forum for learning and information exchange in the continent and beyond.

Online Discussion Forum

The discussion on 'Sexuality and Religion' took place between March and April 2005. Stella Nyanzi, a Medical Anthropologist from Uganda, moderated the discussion. Six sub-topics were discussed and 23 replies were made to the postings. 359 views were recorded. Participants came from various backgrounds and countries but most especially from Nigeria.

Fig. 1: Visit by World Region (November 2005)





The Resource Centre Facilities

The Library

The resource Centre library has continued to expand the quantity and quality of its sexuality resource materials base through the continuous acquisition of available Africa-focused sexuality resources.

At the end of 2004, the Centre had a resource holdings with a total of 613 publications. By December 2005, the library holdings had increased to 1618 including books, journals, as well as, compact disks and other resource materials.

The quality of library users has also improved. The total number of visits to the library in 2005 was 190 as compared to 212 in 2004. The slight drop in the number of visitors in 2005 can perhaps be attributed to a library policy enforced in 2005 to ensure that the library and access to the worldwide web is open only to those working or researching on human sexuality.

To ensure the security of the materials and the service rendered to the users, the 3M-security system acquired by the ARSRC in 2004 was also installed. This development will improve the security of the materials and guard against losses. An email reference service is provided to users not in the position to physically visit the Centre.

Publications

Sexuality in Africa Magazine

The Sexuality in Africa magazine is a quarterly publication of the ARSRC that features analytical and contemporary issues and debates in the areas of Sexuality, Sexual Health and Rights in Africa. Articles

reflect a holistic and comprehensive approach to sexuality; taking sexuality discourse beyond health to incorporate broader issues of the expression of sexuality without guilt, fear or ill-health.

Four issues of the magazine were published in 2005 and focused on the following themes:

- Rethinking Masculinities
- Sexuality and Religion
- Sexuality and the Media
- Sexual Violence and HIV/AIDS.

Please see Appendix 3 for the call for articles and themes for the 2006 issues.

Networking and Alliance Building



Dialogue on Sexuality and Marriage at the ARSRC's booth during ICASA 2005 in Abuja, Nigeria.

During the year in review, ARSRC strengthened and expanded its alliances with sexuality constituencies through strategic collaborations and participation in key events.

A partnership was established with the Africa Leadership Forum, a regional level NGO based in Ota, Nigeria. ARSRC in collaboration with Africa Leadership Forum (ALF), organized a Special Leadership Retreat from 16-18 September 2005 which examined two critical subject areas - Sexuality Beyond Reproduction and Violence and HIV/AIDS - within the Nigeria context.

Through the ARSRC's partner institution in Southern Africa, the Health Systems Trust (HST), ARSRC collaborated with the universities of Cape Town and the Department of Public Health, University of Pretoria to organize two of the 2005 Understanding Human Sexuality seminars in South Africa.

ARSRC engaged a consultant in each of the focal countries to survey at least 2000 professionals and institutions in the field of sexuality with a view to building a larger database of contacts.

The Centre also participated in a workshop titled, 'Theorising Sexuality in Africa', organised by the African Population and Health Research Centre (APHRC) in Nairobi, Kenya and the Repositioning Family Planning in West Africa Conference, which took place in Ghana.

The centre participated in a workshop on 'Realizing Sexual Rights' organized by the Institute of Development Studies (IDS) in Brighton, UK, as well as a consultative meeting on Comprehensive Sexuality Education convened by the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) in London from 6th to 8th October.

At the International Conference on AIDS and STIs in Africa (ICASA) in Abuja, Nigeria in December 2005, ARSRC partnered with Centre for Health and Gender Equity (CHANGE), USA, to organize a panel on HIV Prevention. The ARSRC also hosted a round table on the theme, 'Sexuality Family Relationships and HIV/AIDS: A Cross Country Dialogue'. Speakers during the panel came from ARSRC's focal countries and attracted a cross-section of participants at the ICASA conference. The activities at the ICASA conference provided opportunities for increasing awareness about the center's programmes as well as forming strategic collaborations. A meeting with Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship (SLDF) alumni, who attended the ICASA conference was organised to revitalize and strengthen the alumni networks.



ARSRC exhibition at the *Repositioning Family Planning in West Africa Conference*, in Accra, Ghana.

Upcoming 2006 Programmes

The centre will distil the experience and expertise acquired into the year's programming while utilising its growing network of sexuality professionals to ensure that programming is rich, responsive and results-oriented.

The ARSRC is looking forward to an exciting 2006 as the centre consolidates two years of programming work on the continent. The centre will distil the experience and expertise acquired into the year's programming while utilising its growing network of sexuality professionals to ensure that programming is rich, responsive and results oriented. The following are some of the highlights for 2006.

The Understanding Human Sexuality Seminar Series

The Understanding Human Sexuality Seminar Series have examined a number of pertinent sexuality issues in the past. The themes areas that will be addressed in 2006 were selected in collaboration with the Centre's partner institutions in the four sub regions. Seminar themes for 2006 are highlighted below:

► Sexuality within Marriage: Between Health, Rights and Duty

Here, contributions will critically examine the institution of marriage looking closely at issues such as 'sexual duty'; sexual health and needs within marriage; as well as spouses' sexual rights in contemporary Africa. The quarterly seminars that will be organized in Egypt, Kenya, Nigeria and South Africa respectively, will further explore and analyse the evolving nature of marriage (including secret marriages) and the implications of these on sexual health and well-being.

► Sexuality in Silenced Spaces: Disability and Old Age

The thematic focus here is on sexuality as a lifelong experience and will focus on sexual health needs as well as sexual rights in difficult circumstances and in old age.

► Culture, Femininity and Sexuality

Sexuality in Africa is largely embedded and defined through hegemonic masculinity. This seminar series will explore sexuality from women's perspectives, using cultural and feminist approaches.

► Sexual Violence in the Public Sphere: Myths, Facts and Responses

Sexual violence is highly misunderstood and overlooked in many parts of Africa. This series of seminars will explore and discuss sexual violence in the public sphere or outside the private sphere. There is an increasing tendency to impose or call for dress codes presumably in response to the perceived increase in cases of sexual harassment and sexual abuse. Contributions to this seminar will critically analyse sexuality and violence in the public sphere.

Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship 2006

With an increasing body of alumni on the continent, contributing to actions and programmes that promote healthy and pleasurable sexuality, the Centre is very pleased to announce the 3rd edition of its annual flagship training programme, the 2006 Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship, and to invite qualified candidates to apply. To increase the number of those who benefit from this unique programme, the Centre welcomes more applications from fee-paying applicants from all over the continent, who are not bound by the eligibility criteria for fellowships, which mandates that applicants must be citizens of the ARSRC's focal

countries. Please see details in Appendix 4.

Sexuality Institute 2006

The 2006 Sexuality Institute will take place in the historic land of the Pharaohs, Egypt, and will examine sexuality issues that are critical to this geographic zone and culture. The theme for the November 2006 edition of the Sexuality Institute in Egypt is “Sexual and Reproductive Health in Marriage”.

ARSRC Staff



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Mr. Olusegun Sangowawa,
Programme Officer, Information Services



Mr. Olatunbosun Oluwunmi,
Programme Assistant

(Mr. Oluwunmi was with the ARSRC until the end of September 2005, when he left to take on other responsibilities. He is greatly missed and the Centre wishes him success in his current endeavours).

Appendix I

Capacity Building Programme Beneficiaries

Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship 2005

Katherine Abimbola Amosun (Nigeria)
Saudatu Suleiman Zahradeen (Nigeria)
Amos Olugbenga Oyedokun (Nigeria)
Tolulope Folashayo Osoba (Nigeria)
Aminu Magashi Garba (Nigeria)
Kabiru Elayo (Nigeria)
Rose-Anne Njeri Njiru (Kenya)
Charity Kinya Koronya (Kenya)
Grace Wambui Mbugua (Kenya)
Gladys W. Jerop Some (Kenya)
Shams Mohammed Eldiu El-Gammal (Egypt)
Riham Mahrous Sheble (Egypt)
Sandra Abdalla Khalifa (Egypt)
Hala Abdel Fattah Elliboody (Egypt)
Judith Pearl Merckel (South Africa)
Sibongile Victoria Mahlangu (South Africa)
Godfrey Phetla (South Africa)
Mandisa Sitonga (South Africa)
Joy Payi (South Africa)

Sexuality Institute 2005

Mahmoud Ahmed Mohamed Fikry (Egypt)
Wahba Mamdouh Mohamed (Egypt)
Mervat Mahmoud Mohamed Egypt
Wairimu Muita (Kenya)
Khamasi Jennifer Wanjiku (Kenya)
Albert Obbuyi (Kenya)
Adedokun Olaide Aderonke (Nigeria)
Clement-Ende Christine Terlumun (Nigeria)
Isiramen Celestine Omoso (Nigeria)
Princess Dupe Olufemi-Kayode (Nigeria)
Hayley Lynn Galgut (South Africa)
Claire Bernadette Mooideen (South Africa)
Ntombifuthi Prisca Vezi (south Africa)
Ntayiya Sakhumzi (South Africa)
Busangokwakhe Dlamini (South Africa)

Appendix 2

2005 Resource Persons

We are grateful to the underlisted, as well as others who contributed to the success of our 2005 programmes whom we are unable to acknowledge here.

Abdel Amal Hadi	Grace Osakue	Nomonde Bam
Abrahams Naeema	Hajia Bilkisu Yusuf	Otutubikey Izugbara
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Adenike Esiet	Ifeoma Isiugo-Abanihe	Peacock Dean
Adunola Adepoju	Jacob Kehinde Ayantayo	Phyllis Orner
Ahmed R.A Ragab	Jacqueline Anam-Mogeni	Pinar Ilkkaracan
Akin Osibogun	Jennifer Moodley	Reuben Abati
Akintunde Dorcas Olubanke	Josephine Effah-Chukwuma	Rolake Odetoyinbo Nwagwu
Alana de Kock	Judi Merckel	Russell Luyt
Ayo Atsenuwa	Judith Head	Sarah Onyango
Barbara Schmid	Karen Stefisyn	Scholasticah Nganda
Bene Madunagu	Katherine E. Beal	Sindi Medar-Gould
Bev Russell	Konjit Kefetew	Sisonke Msimang
Busangokwakhe Dlamini	Kopano Ratele	Slatsha Princess Nonkosi
Celestina Omoso Isiramen	Lucy Wambui Kangara	Sophie B. Oluwole
Chinwe Nwanna	Margrethe Silberschmidt	Stella Nyanzi
Dan Allman	Marion Stevens	Sylvia Adebajo
Dare Odumuye	Marlene Wasserman	Ted Myers
Dorothy Aken'Ova	Mary Mwaka	Uwemedimo Esiet
Ejiro Otive-Igbuzor	Matthews A. Ojo	Virginia Zwiegenthal
Eno B. Ikpe	Muchugu Kiiru	
Esther Foluke Akinsola	Muritala Bidmos	
Farouk Auwalu	Njongwe Zola	
Friday Okonofua	Nkolika Ijeoma Aniekwu	



Appendix 3

Sexuality in Africa Magazine

Call for Articles

The ARSRC calls for articles for publication in the 3rd Volume of Sexuality in Africa Magazine. Articles should be objective, analytical and mirror current /contemporary issues and debates in the areas of Sexuality, Sexual Health and Rights in Africa. They should reflect a holistic /comprehensive approach to sexuality; taking sexuality discourse beyond health to incorporate broader issues of the expression of sexuality without guilt, fear or ill-health. While priority would be given to articles that have not been previously published, already published material may be considered depending on how relevant the subject area and focus are to ARSRC's work. However, for already published articles, full details of previous publication and where to seek permission for reprint must accompany the article.

Themes for 2006 Editions and the deadline for receipt of articles:

- ▶ Youth, Sexuality and Marriage in Africa (Issue 1: February 1)
- ▶ Sexuality Beyond Reproduction (Issue 2: May 1)
- ▶ Cultural, Religious Beliefs and Healthy, Pleasurable Sexuality (Issue 3: August 1)
- ▶ Healthy and Responsible Sexuality: Lessons from People Living Positively (Issue 4: November 1)

Length

Feature articles: 1,000-1,500 words

Research issues: 800-1,000 words

Opinion articles: 400-500 words

Photos

We welcome photos with or without articles and will give appropriate credit when photo is used.

All correspondence should be addressed to:

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Appendix 4

2006 Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship July 10 - 28, 2006 Call For Applications

The Africa Regional Sexuality Resource Centre (ARSRC) calls for applications to its annual Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship (SLDF) Programme. The Fellowship is scheduled to take place in Lagos, Nigeria from July 10-28, 2006.

Objectives: The fellowship is designed to catalyse development in the field of sexuality by: (1) Providing exposure to cutting-edge conceptual, theoretical and programmatic issues in sexuality, sexual health and sexual rights; (2) Providing opportunities to conduct research or action projects on sexuality issues; (3) Promoting mentoring of young African professionals by experts in the field; and (4) Facilitating the emergence of a new generation of leaders.

Training Methodology: Incorporating rigorous intellectual work and strategic field trips that bring participants in close engagement with sexuality leaders and leadership organizations, the fellowship is structured to promote sharing of ideas, team building and

collaborative work amongst participants in order to nurture relationships that last beyond the fellowship period.

The course also provides an academically stimulating environment that promotes cross-cultural sharing of experiences as well as individual study. The venue of the training houses a library and resource centre with a rich

Africa-centred collection of sexuality, sexual health and rights literature.

Faculty Distinguished sexuality professionals drawn from across Africa, serve on the fellowship's faculty. They provide technical assistance and mentor the fellows; especially in the development and design of their post-fellowship projects. The mentoring is designed to continue even when fellows return to their countries until they complete their post-fellowship projects.

Audience: This course is designed for young researchers, academicians, civil servants, programme officers, programme managers, media practitioners and others resident on the continent of Africa, aged 35 years and below with a Bachelor's degree or its equivalent and with demonstrable experience and (or) interest in the area of sexuality, sexual health and rights.

Training Programme: During the three-week intensive course, participants are introduced to the emerging field of sexuality and explore both theoretical, as well as, practical dimensions of this complex field.

In addition to skills development, the SLDF curriculum covers contemporary debates in sexuality studies including: Sexuality and human rights; Gender, sexuality and religion; Sexuality, health and the public policy; Cultural practice and sexual violence; Sexual

rights; Sexual orientation; Narrowing the gap: sexuality, knowledge, policy and programme; Sexuality and the State; and Sexuality and the media.

Skills Development: Some of the skills to be gained by attending the fellowship include - power speaking; research; proposal writing, monitoring and evaluation; team-working; and leadership.

Requirements for Application: Applicants are requested to submit the following:

Fully completed application and sponsorship forms (free copies available for download from www.arsrc.org).

Training Costs:

Tuition fee - US\$2,000 (The tuition fee includes trainer costs, background materials, supplies, in-workshop transportation, field trips, group lunch, two tea breaks and certificate awards. The fee does not include round-trip travel to Lagos, visa fees or living expenses. If you are interested in attending, we encourage you to seek funding support early to secure a place.

Accommodation - US\$ 70 per night. Participants will reside at designated hotels close to the location of the training. Fee covers board and breakfast only. The sponsor is responsible for providing the participant with per diem funds for dinner and weekend lunches plus other incidental items.

Compulsory post-fellowship project - US\$1,500.

Scholarships: The ARSRC offers a few highly competitive, fully-funded scholarships that are open to

qualified citizens of Egypt, Kenya, Nigeria or South Africa, who are resident in the continent. ARSRC scholarships cover tuition fees, post-fellowship grant, roundtrip travel expenses as well as accommodation, meals and incidental expenses.

Deadline for the Receipt of Applications: Duly completed application and sponsorship forms and other documentary requirements should be sent to the address below. To be considered, the application should be received by ARSRC before or on March 31, 2006.

The 2006 Sexuality Leadership Development Fellowship

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