

# The 8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Survivors of Rape: Detailed programme

June 3-5, 2026, Ghent, Belgium



# Welcome to the 8th International Conference on Survivors of Rape (ICSoR 2026)

In an era where sexual violence remains a pervasive and evolving global challenge, the imperative to transform care, prevention and healing for survivors of rape has never been greater. The 8th International Conference on Survivors of Rape (ICSoR) brings together survivors, researchers, healthcare providers, law enforcement officials, experts and policymakers from across disciplines to foster collaborative action and share expertise.

This year's edition is hosted by Ghent University and Ghent University Hospital in the historic city of Ghent, Belgium and invites people from all backgrounds.

In the face of our evolving understanding of the impact of sexual violence, including life-course complications, revictimisation risks, and the growing need for diversity-sensitive care, ICSoR 2026 will focus on two interlinked themes:

- (1) Care as Prevention - Holistic, Trauma-Informed and Lifecourse Approaches to Prevent Revictimisation and/or Perpetration, and
- (2) Inclusive and Adaptive Care for Victims/Survivors with Complex Profiles - Standardisation versus Personalisation in Practice.

By convening diverse expertise and lived-experience, ICSoR 2026 seeks to advance understanding of the latest scientific evidence, innovations and effective practices in supporting survivors of sexual violence. In doing so, the conference aims to build new bridges between research, practice and policy and to catalyse collaborative networks that advance prevention, healing and equity for all survivors.

We welcome you to ICSoR 2026 and wish you an inspiring conference,

Prof dr Ines Keygnaert, Prof dr Kristien Roelens & the ICSoR Organising team at Ghent University ICRH, Ghent University Hospital & VIORESC and the ICSoR Scientific Committee

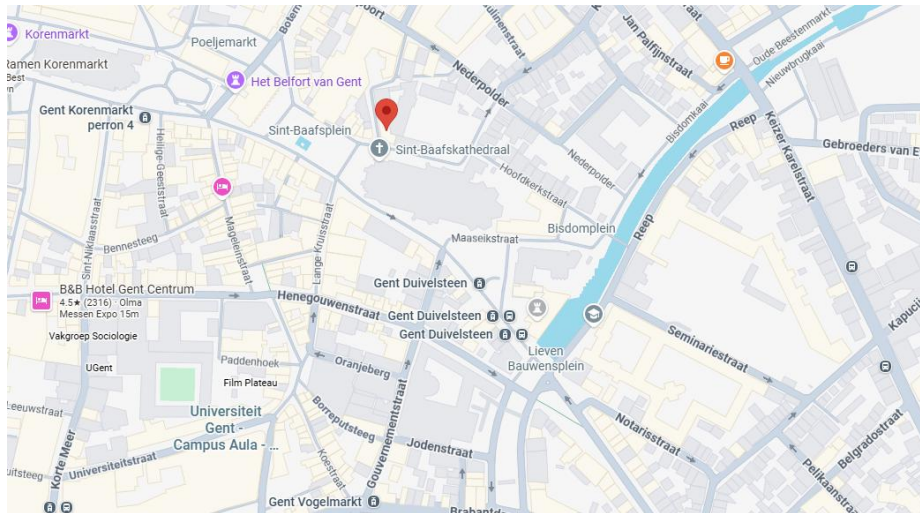
# Conference Venue: How to get to St.-Baafshuis?

## Venue Description:

We are pleased to welcome you to **Sint-Baafshuis, Biezekapelstraat 2, 9000 Gent**, located in the historic centre of Ghent. Surrounded by the city's rich cultural heritage, the venue provides a peaceful and intimate setting for reflection, dialogue, and connection.

## By foot:

Biezekapelstraat 2 – 9000 GENT



## By bike:

Bike parking across Hoogpoort 77 – 9000 GENT

## By public transport:

You have 2 railway stations in Ghent. The central one is **Gent Sint Pieters Station**. Tram 1, 3 and bus 10, 11 can take you from the station close to the venue. The other one is **Gent Dampoort**, a 20-minute walk away from the venue.

### Tram stops nearest to the venue:

- Tram 1 / 3: Stop GENT VOGELMARKT (450 m)
- Tram 2: Stop GENT DUIVELSTEEN (280 m)

### Bus stops nearest to the venue:

- Bus 5a / 10 / 11 / 12a / 12: Stop GENT SINT-JACOBS (300 m)
- Bus 5b / 16: Stop GENT REEP (530 m)
- Bus 33 / 55 / 70 / 71 / 76 / 77 / 78 / 562 / 737 / 738 / 741: Stop GENT ZUID (800 m)

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- Parking VRIJDAGMARKT (450 m)
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## ICS°R 2026 Conference Team



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# ICS°R 2026 Conference Team



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## Scientific Committee

The following experts contributed to reviewing the abstracts and giving body to the overall scientific programme of the ICSOR Conference 2026: dr Wala'a Ammar, dr Saar Baert, Prof dr Iva Bicanic, Venetia Clarke, dr Lotte De Schrijver, Elizaveta Fomenko, Prof dr Barbara Giusy, Prof dr Cecilie Therese Hagemann, Melanie Hyde, Dr Wouter Karst, Prof dr Ines Keygnaert, Dr Riina Korjamo, dr Anna Möller, dr Claudia Garcia Moreno, Dr Anne Nobels, Prof dr Jo Peden, Prof dr Kai Part, Prof dr Kristien Roelens, Milena Selivanov, Prof dr Kasia Uzieblo, Nele Vaerewijck & dr David Van Hoofstat. A great thank you to you all.

## Official Program

We offer several types of interventions.

- Plenary lectures are addressing a specific issue in sexual violence of interest to the full audience.
- Panel discussions are interdisciplinary in nature and address salient and timely issues in sexual violence today.
- Seminars address a specific form of sexual violence or a specific population at risk of sexual violence.
- Oral presentations are individual presentations of research findings in about 10 minutes. Oral presentations are grouped in theme sessions with time for Q&A.
- Rapid fire presentations offer a concise overview of research findings, project outcomes or ideas through 5-minute oral presentations.
- Practice Clinics are presenting how specific parts of holistic care to survivors of sexual violence are provided in several parts of the world. These are grouped around psychosocial care, medical and forensic care and on interdisciplinary approaches in transmurial care pathways including law enforcement and social services. Presentations are shorter here and ample time is given to ask questions and exchange ideas and practices with the experts in the Practice Clinic.
- Poster presentations are animated at specific time slots; this means that the authors will stand next to their posters to answer questions the audience might have and to network.
- Creative interventions offer the opportunity to connect with the audience through an alternative manner, for example by an immersive exhibition, poetry slam session, guided walk, ...

### Colour Code:

Oral Presentation
Plenary Lecture
Seminar
Panel Discussion
Practice Clinic
Creative Intervention
Animated Poster Session
Rapid Fire

Throughout the conference, **Room 0.04** will be available as a **Silent Room**, a space where you can step away at any time if you need rest, silence, or a moment to yourself. This room is intended as a safe and supportive environment for all participants. You will also find the immersive exhibition **“Ongezien” (“un-seen”)** here, which you are welcome to engage with at your own pace.

### **Immersive Installation ‘Ongezien’ – Experiencing Boundaries**

Immerse yourself in an experience that will not leave you indifferent. Through a carefully designed physical and emotional journey—accompanied by a poetic voice that guides you along the way—you will experience firsthand the vulnerability of having personal boundaries crossed, as well as the complex path toward recovery.

This experience goes beyond observation: it invites you to feel, to question, and to engage in dialogue. Explore and reflect on your own boundaries and those of others, and dare to rethink how we can create truly safe environments for everyone.

A powerful, transformative, and necessary space waiting to be discovered at the conference.

# JUNE 3

## **12:45 - 13:30 Welcome and registration**

**13:30 – 14:00 Opening addresses: ICSOR at the heart of (inter)national responses to rape**

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Prof dr Ines Keygnaert, Ghent University-ICRH, Ghent University Hospital, VIORESC

<b>13:30 – 14:00</b>	General Opening of the ICSOR conference – Prof dr Ines Keygnaert Opening Address - Dr Hans Kluge, Regional Director WHO Europe Opening Address – Vice Prime Minister & Belgian Federal Minister of Public Health and Social Affairs, Dr Frank Vandenbroucke
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## **Panel 1: Directives & policy programs addressing care for survivors of rape in the European region: What is new?**

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Emilie Peeters, ANSER network Coordinator- Ghent University- ICRH

<b>14:00– 15:00</b>	<p>In this panel we address recent (changes in/updates of) Directives and Policy Programs addressing care for survivors of rape in the EU region:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The EU Directive on combating violence against women and domestic violence of 2024</li><li>• The revised EU directive on combating sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children (in progress).</li><li>• The WHO Europe Special Initiative of Violence Against Women and Girls (SIVAWG)</li></ul> <p>We explore what this means for caring for survivors of rape in the EU today and in the near future?</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rune Vanleeuw, Legal Officer, DG JUST – Gender Equality, European Commission</li><li>• Lorenzo Negri, Legal and Policy Officer – Fight Against Cybercrime &amp; Child Sexual Abuse, European Commission</li><li>• Melanie Hyde, Technical Officer, Gender Equity and Human Rights, WHO Europe</li></ul>
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- Annelies Cardon, Team Coordinator Gender-based Violence, Trans & Intersex, Institute of Equality between Woman and Men, Belgium

**Panel 2: Implementing directives & policy programs: challenges and effective ways to enforce the health sectors know how**

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Prof. Dr. Steven Weyers, Head of Medical Services, Women’s Clinic - Ghent University Hospital/Ghent University

<p><b>15:05 – 16:15</b></p>	<p>In this panel we focus on strengthening the health sector’s know-how through training, education, monitoring and evaluation and the challenges that come with its implementation.</p> <p>In the part on training and education we will present the WHO tools for this and share the process of updating the 2013 guideline on clinical care for rape survivors and discuss evidence-based education of future health professionals and training of health professionals in the field.</p> <p>For monitoring and evaluation, we will explore challenges of health system responses at the level of WHO, EU and at country level with Belgium as an example.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr Claudia Garcia-Moreno, Consultant, Department of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Research, WHO</li> <li>- Prof dr Kristien Roelens, Medical Director SACC, Ghent University Hospital, Ghent University &amp; VIORESC, Belgium</li> <li>- Prof dr Ines Keygnaert, Ghent University-ICRH &amp; Ghent University Hospital, VIORESC, Belgium</li> <li>- Dr Lynnmarie Sardinha, Technical Officer, Violence Against Women Data, Estimation and Measurement, WHO</li> <li>- Dr Monica Barbovschi – GBV Expert – European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE)</li> <li>- Phedra Neel, Team Coordinator Belgian Sexual Assault Care Centres, Institute of Equality between Women and Men, Belgium</li> </ul>
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**16:15 – 16:40: Coffee break**

### **Panel 3: Technology facilitated sexual violence: how to respond effectively, how to care?**

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Melanie Hyde, Technical Officer, Gender Equity and Human Rights, WHO Europe

<b>16:45-17:45</b>	<p>In this panel, we explore challenges as well as multisectoral good practices to address this pressing and seemingly boundless form of violence.</p> <p>How can we prevent and respond to technology facilitated sexual violence at global level, at the level of WHO, EU and country level? How can challenges be addressed across borders and sectors?</p> <p>We will hear from experts in health, policy and justice, where are we and what comes next?</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Bo Van den Bulcke, Clinical Psychologist and EMDR therapist, Sexual Assault Care Centre (SACC) at Ghent University Hospital (UZ Gent).</li><li>• Nel Broothaerts, Chief Executive Officer, Child Focus</li><li>• Dr Lynnmarie Sardinha, Technical Officer, Violence Against Women Data, Estimation and Measurement, WHO</li><li>• Dr Monica Barbovschi - GBV Expert- European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE)</li><li>• Prof. Dr. Catherine Van de Heyning, Deputy Crown Prosecutor, Public Prosecutor's Office, Cybercrime Unit Antwerpen</li></ul>
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### **17:45-18:00: Closing**

**Prof dr Kristien Roelens**, Ghent University Hospital, Ghent University & VIORESC, Belgium

### **18:00-20:30: Opening reception (City Hall of Ghent – Botermarkt 1): Ghent as a pioneer in sexual violence research, prevention, response and care.**

**Speakers:** Mathias De Clercq, Mayor of the City of Ghent: Ghent as a pioneer in prevention of sexual violence and caring for survivors of rape.

# JUNE 4

**8:00 – 9:00** Reception and registration, welcome coffee

**9:00 – 9:40** Opening of the day & Plenary Lecture

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Prof dr Ines Keygnaert, Ghent University-ICRH, Ghent University Hospital, VIORESC

<b>9:00-9:05</b>	Opening of the day - Prof dr Ines Keygnaert, Ghent University-ICRH, Ghent University Hospital, VIORESC
<b>9:05 – 9:40</b>	Plenary lecture: “Evolving approaches to addressing domestic and sexual violence in health research and implications for contemporary healthcare” by Prof dr Lorna O’Doherty, Trauma Care and Health Inequalities Group, Coventry University

**9:45 – 11:15: Parallel session 1a and 1b**

**Session 1a: Oral presentations – Child Sexual Abuse**

**Location:** Room 1.07

**Chair:** Dr Grace Carter, Coventry University

<b>9:45 – 10:00</b>	Childhood Sexual Abuse and Risk of Bipolar Transition Among Patients with Major Depressive Disorder: A Hospital-Based Cohort Study in China – Xiaojuan Zhang
<b>10:00 – 10:15</b>	The Quilt model: a “Conversation we’ve never had” about a new theoretical framework designed to support healing from child sexual abuse – Gemma Halliwell & Candice Harris
<b>10:15 – 10:30</b>	Upfront survivors: building visible communities and creative spaces for survivors of child sexual abuse in the UK – Grace Carter
<b>10:30 – 10:45</b>	‘Stay with the body’: facilitating integrative silence in community-based sexual trauma care – Leona Morgan
<b>10:45 – 11:15</b>	Questions & Discussion

## Session 1b: Seminar – Technology Facilitated Sexual Violence

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Cornelia Björkquist

<b>9:45 – 11:15</b>	<p>From Normalisation to Life-Threatening Harm: Online Pornography, Digital Sexual Cultures, and Primary Prevention for Child Safety</p> <p>Interactive seminar in workshop format, combining short inputs, small-group discussions, practical exercises, and guided reflection.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Cornelia Björkquist, Sexual Crime Senior Advisor, Unizon &amp;</li><li>- Suada Dani, Senior Advisor, Unizon</li></ul>
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**11:15 – 11:30 Break**

**11:30 – 13:00: Parallel sessions 2a and b**

## Session 2a: Oral Presentations – Forensics

**Location:** Room 1.07

**Chair:** Dr David Van Hoofstat, judicial and forensic expert DNA, EuroFins Europe

<b>11:30 – 11:45</b>	Drug facilitated sexual assault and toxicological findings – a cross-sectional study from the Sexual assault center at St. Olavs hospital – ÅS Fykse, SO Smidtsrød, A Helland, CT Hagemann
<b>11:45 – 12:00</b>	Drug-facilitated sexual assault: a retrospective study on toxicological results - Giusy Barbara
<b>12:00 – 12:15</b>	Drug-facilitated sexual assault at a Sexual Assault Reference Centre: a prospective toxicological study - Cathelijne Lyphout
<b>12:15 – 12:30</b>	Presentation of Upcoming Research: Non-fatal Strangulation During Sexual Assault in Sweden – Symptoms, Injuries and Biomarkers – Isabelle Högbeck
<b>12:30 – 12:45</b>	Detection of spermatozoa from patients attending the Sexual Assault Center at St. Olavs hospital, Trondheim – Hedvig Andersdatter Langli, Tuva Mons
<b>12:45 – 13:00</b>	Questions & Discussion

## Session 2b: Seminar – Sexual Violence against people with disabilities

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Leni Linthout, Ghent University-ICRH & VIORESC

<b>11:30 – 13:00</b>	<p>Addressing sexual violence against people with disabilities: Bridging research, practice and policy</p> <p>The seminar will be held as a round table discussion. Each presenter will shortly present the main findings from their work (5-10min each), after which discussion among participants and with the round table members will be facilitated.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Drs. Aafke Scharloo, Clinical psychologist</li><li>- Hannah Van Dingenen, clinical psychologist SACC Ghent, Ghent University Hospital</li><li>- Karen Stroobandt, Care Coordinator – Residential Care for People with Disabilities, Z&amp;O De Hagewinde, De Ranken</li><li>- Dr Saar Baert, Ghent University-ICRH &amp; VIORESC</li></ul>
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**13:00 – 14:00: Lunch break**

### 13:30 Art Walk – Making the Invisible Visible

Join a guided walk through the city along striking murals that portray different forms of intrafamilial violence. This artistic journey invites citizens to pause, reflect, and talk about themes that are often hidden behind closed doors. Using art to break taboos is a method we also apply to sexual violence and safer nightlife. How do we create a safe space? What does

**14:00 – 15:30: Parallel sessions 3a and 3b**

### Session 3a: Oral Presentations – Minority Victims

**Location:** Room 1.07

**Chair:** Elizaveta Fomenko, Ghent University-ICRH & VIORESC

<b>14:00 – 14:15</b>	Not Who You Are, but What You Face: Rethinking Minority Status and Sexual (Re)Victimization – Elizaveta Fomenko
<b>14:15 – 14:30</b>	Power Imbalances in the Sexualized Encounters of Male Migrants in European Transit Zones – Leni Linthout
<b>14:30 – 14:45</b>	From Home to Exile: Sexual Violence Experienced by Haitian Women in French Guiana – Leslie Alcouffe

<b>14:45 – 15:00</b>	Sexual health and sexual violence in Transgender adults aged 55 and over – Rosie De Vidts
<b>15:00 – 15:15</b>	Lack of agency, violence normalisation and stigmatisation shaping access to care for sexual violence survivors in a low-income settlement, Bangladesh – Rosie Wilson, Anna Luca Lator
<b>15:15 – 15:30</b>	Q&A

### Session 3b: Oral presentations - Technology Facilitated Sexual Violence

**Location:** Room 1.05

**Chair:** Prof dr Cecilie Hagemann, Senior Consultant in Obstetrics and Gynecology at St. Olavs Hospital & Associate Professor at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Trondheim, Norway.

<b>14:00 – 14:15</b>	Children’s Vulnerability to Online Sexual Harm: How Offline Care and Safeguarding Failures Shape Risk - Rimin Johnson
<b>14:15 – 14:30</b>	Supporting peers, parents and teachers in responding to Image-Based Sexual Abuse (IBSA) among minors – Sophie Wouters
<b>14:30 – 14:45</b>	Understanding Online Sexual Violence Through Lived Experience: A Phenomenological Contribution to Healthcare – Laura Katherin Jimenez-Cuadros
<b>14:45 – 15:15</b>	Questions & Discussion

**15:30 – 15:45: Break**

### **15:45 – 17:15: Parallel sessions 4a and 4b**

#### Session 4a: Seminar – Power dynamics in Research

**Location:** Room 1.07

**Chair:** dr Saar Baert, Ghent University-ICRH & VIORESC

<b>15:45 – 17:15</b>	<p>Evolving dynamics of power in sexual violence research: practical and conceptual insights</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Leni Linthout, PhD student Ghent University-ICRH, VIORESC</li> <li>- Dr Leona Morgan, Ghent University-ICRH &amp; UWC</li> <li>- Dr Sarah West, Research Fellow, Centre for Healthcare and Community Transformation, Coventry University</li> <li>- Lorna O'Doherty, Trauma Care and Health Inequalities Group, Coventry University</li> </ul>
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### Session 4b: Practice Clinic – Medical & Forensic Care

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Prof dr Kristien Roelens, Ghent University Hospital & VIORESC

<b>15:45-15:50</b>	Introduction practice clinic
<b>15:50 – 16:45</b>	The model of a multidisciplinary academic medical centre against gender-based violence in providing a holistic, one-stop response to sexual violence – Giusy Barbara
	Examination and documentation on anogenital injuries – Cecilie Therese Hagemann
	How to use a Prostate Specific Antigen (PSA) express test in the sexual assault center – Kai Part
	"Femka" - building the first rape crisis centre in Poland and the efforts to reorganise the system of survivor care – Katarzyna Nowakowska
	The development of a single and integrated protocol for multi-sectoral aid for victims of sexual violence in the Democratic Republic of Congo – Chantal Nandindo Inena, Marleen Bosmans, Edouard Konan, Marcel Otita, Augustin Mukiekie & An Verelst
<b>16:45 – 17:15</b>	Meet the expert discussions

### 17:20-18:20 Session 5: Seminar

#### Session 5: Seminar – (Sexual) Violence against Healthcare workers

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Milena Selivanov, Consultant, Gender Equity and Human Rights, WHO Europe

<b>17:20 – 18:20</b>	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Dr Sulakshana Nandi, Technical Officer, Health Workforce and Service Delivery Unit, WHO Europe</li><li>- Dr Angela Paraschiv, Secretary of State, Ministry of Health, Republic of Moldova</li><li>- Sue Tranka, Chief Nursing Officer, Welsh Government and Nurse Director NHS Wales</li><li>- Prof dr Jo Peden, Consultant in Public Health, WHO Collaborating Centre for Investment on Health and Well Being, Public Health Wales</li><li>- Prof dr Kristof Vandekerckhove, Chair of the Medical Committee of the Master's in Medicine, Ghent University, Belgium.</li></ul>
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## **17:20 – 18:30: Parallel sessions 5a and 5b**

### **Session 5a: Animated Poster Session**

Location: Room 1.03

1. Fatigued by compassion? Consequences of Indirect Trauma Exposure Among Trauma Therapists  
*Maria Louison Vang, Line Lagoni Kulavig, Isabel Rouw, Amanda Hovman & Nina Beck Hansen\**
2. Pain, PTSD and sexual assault: A complex story?  
*Nina Beck Hansen\*, Frida Lau Grabe, Tonny Elmoose Andersen, Henrik Bjarke Vægter, Mathilde Fie Nøhr Gram & Maj Hansen*
3. Lived experience with sexualised self-injury: Reflections from a focus group  
*Sara Kelstrup Rossen, Nina Beck Hansen\*, Zarah Emily Clarke & Dorte Mølgaard Christiansen*
4. Non-reporting rape: Psychological perspectives  
*Nina Beck Hansen, Sidsel Meliza Hassing Lok & Anne Mette Rolschau*
5. Sexual Assault & Long-term Health: Improving Healthcare Responses to Unmet Care Needs  
*Erik Wallmark*
6. Feasibility of Craft-Based Interventions in Post-Assault Care  
*Mette Linnet Olesen, Aviaja Mose Wingender, Anne Wibeck Holt*

### **Session 5b: Animated Poster Session**

Location: Room 1.05

1. Reflections on the impact of Child Sexual Abuse over the life-course: retrospective experiences of older victims – A Mixed Methods Study  
*Marijne van Beek*
2. Improving forensic care and examination for victims of sexual violence with dark skin tones  
*Benedicte Rosier, Els Jehaes, Sarah De Schepper, Ilse Kint*
3. Longitudinal associations between psychological distress and relational intimacy following sexual violence  
*Dagmar Stockman*
4. Warm family of origin is associated with earlier disclosure of sexual abuse  
*Celine Barge*

5. Prevalence of sexual violence in a population-based study and its effect on suffering  
*Maris Alafrange, Made Laanpere, Maie Valk, Kai Part*

### **Social Program Activities**

#### **18:00**

- City tour (Dutch): Walking in Rainbow Footsteps: Women and LGBTQ people through the centuries
- City tour (English): 1000 years Ghent in 100 minutes

#### **20:00**

- City tour (Dutch): From Bathhouses to Red Light District
- City tour (English): Mighty High Heels

#### **20:15**

- Wine Tasting ONA

# JUNE 5

**8:00 – 9:00** Reception and registration, welcome coffee

**9:00 – 9:40** Opening of the day & Plenary Lecture

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Prof dr Ines Keygnaert, Ghent University-ICRH, Ghent University Hospital, VIORESC

<b>9:00 – 9:40</b>	Plenary Lecture – Caring for survivors of rape in conflict settings Speaker: dr Meinie Nicolai, Humanitarian expert & former Director of Medecins sans Frontières Belgium
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**9:45 – 11:15: Parallel session 1a, b and c**

## **Session 1a: Oral presentations – Mental Health/Psychotherapy**

**Location:** Room 1.07

**Chair:** Prof dr Lorna O’Doherty, Trauma Care and Health Inequalities Group, Coventry University

<b>9:45 – 10:00</b>	Trauma burden among survivors of sexual violence accessing Sexual Assault Referral Centres (England), and outcomes one year later: findings from the Multidisciplinary Evaluation of Sexual Assault Referral Centres for better Health (MESARCH) cohort study – Lorna O’Doherty
<b>10:00 – 10:15</b>	The impact of attachment style on posttraumatic stress symptoms and treatment response in survivors of sexual assault – Line Eiby Andersen & Hannah Katznelson
<b>10:15 – 10:30</b>	EMDR therapy to treat vaginal dysfunction upon sexual violence: First findings – Van Den Bulcke Bo & Van Dingenen Hannah
<b>10:30 – 10:35</b>	What do we know about the effectiveness of psychosocial support for survivors of sexual violence? Evidence from 2 Cochrane reviews – Alex Dorgan
<b>10:35 – 10:50</b>	Family-Centred Care Pathways After Conflict-Related Sexual Violence: Engaging Husbands as Secondary Victims and Allies in Tigray, Ethiopia – Hagos Gebremariam & Benjamin Kalkum
<b>10:50 – 10:55</b>	Supporting Relatives to Support Victims: Insights from Counselling for Relatives After Sexual Assault – Mette-Marie Egede Jeppesen, Line Eiby Andersen, Aviaja Mose Wingender
<b>10:55 – 11:10</b>	Lived experiences from post-assault formed couples: A dyadic phenomenological interview analysis – Dagmar Stockman
<b>11:10-11:15</b>	Q&A

### Session 1b: Oral presentations – Interdisciplinary Care & Justice

**Location:** Room 1.05

**Chair:** Dr Jaya Luintel, Co-founder & President the Story Kitchen, Nepal

<b>9:45 – 10:00</b>	<i>"Will this ever end?"</i> : Sexual Violence Survivors Experiences of Court Delays – Amy Meadmore
<b>10:00 – 10:15</b>	Secondary Victimization in Child Sexual Abuse: A Systems Perspective on Care, Community, and Justice – Rimin Johnson
<b>10:15 – 10:30</b>	Truth Listening: A Feminist, Listening-Centered Model for Transforming Transitional Justice for Survivors of Conflict-Related Sexual Violence – Jaya Luintel
<b>10:30 – 10:45</b>	Care as Prevention: Rethinking Sexual Violence Response Through Survivor-Centred Care Pathways – Alina Potts
<b>10:45 – 11:15</b>	Questions & Discussion

### Session 1c: Seminar – Chat-based interventions

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Prof dr Kasia Uzieblo, Coordinator 1712 Helpline

<b>9:45 – 11:15</b>	<p>Typing the Unspeakable: Chat-Based Interventions for Victims of Sexual Violence: In this seminar we explore how online support can help survivors of sexual violence move forward in faster and more accessible ways, while also bringing a unique set of complex challenges.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Prof dr Kasia Uzieblo, Director 1712</li><li>- Katrien Willems, Helpline 1712</li><li>- Karolien François, Nupraatikerover.be</li></ul>
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**11:15 – 11:30: Break**

**11:30 – 13:00: Parallel sessions 2a, b and c**

**Session 2a: Oral Presentations – Life-course effects**

**Location:** Room 1.07

**Chair:** Nele Vaerewijck, Ghent University-ICRH & VIORESC

<b>11:30 – 11:45</b>	Is it our fault? The impact of social response to trauma disclosure – Anna Woźniak
<b>11:45 – 12:00</b>	From Violence to Biology: How Sexual Violence and Child Sexual Abuse Reshape the Body Across the Lifecourse – Elizaveta Fomenko
<b>12:00 – 12:15</b>	Mortality among rape victims examined at Finnish sexual assault referral centers – Jenni Krogell
<b>12:15 – 12:30</b>	Understanding Sexual Violence-Related Pregnancies and Women’s Wellbeing – Elisa van Ee
<b>12:30 – 12:45</b>	Connecting the Dots: Obstetric care, Sexual Violence and Mental Health - Nele Vaerewijck
<b>12:45 – 13:00</b>	Questions & Discussion

**Session 2b: Oral Presentations – Barriers to Care upon sexual violence**

**Location:** Room 1.05

**Chair:** dr Eunice Abdul Remane Jetha, Director of the University Hospital of Eduardo Mondlane University

<b>11:30 – 11:45</b>	Violence context, characteristics, barriers, and timely access to care – a retrospective analysis of sexual violence reported within Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) programs in North Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo – Hanna Reinholdz
<b>11:45 – 12:00</b>	Sexual Assault & Long-term Health: Improving Healthcare Responses to Unmet Care Needs – Erik Wallmark
<b>12:00 – 12:15</b>	Sociodemographic barriers and Survivors’ Experiences on Domestic Violence Care Seeking in Mozambique – Eunice Abdul Remane Jetha
<b>12:15 – 12:30</b>	Evaluation of the Sexual Assault Care Centres pilot in Belgium from the perspective of victims: a mixed-methods study – Saar Baert
<b>12:30 – 13:00</b>	Questions & Discussion

## Session 2c: Seminar – Care for Victims of Sexual Violence in Humanitarian settings

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** dr Wala'a Ammar, Ghent University-ICRH, VIORESC

<b>11:30 – 13:00</b>	<p>Sexual Violence in Humanitarian and conflict settings</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr Marharyta Hromova, Gender and Human Rights Officer, WHO Country Office in Ukraine</li> <li>- Dr Anna Rita Ronzoni, Technical Officer, Violence Prevention and Control, WHO Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean</li> <li>- Dr Meinie Nicolai, Humanitarian expert &amp; former director of Medecins sans Frontières Belgium</li> <li>- Dr Rafał Zadykowicz, OB-GYN Consultant, Department of Obstetrics, Perinatology, Gynaecology and Reproduction, Medical University of Warsaw; FIGO Committee on Women Facing Crises</li> <li>- Prof dr Ines Keygnaert, Ghent University-ICRH, Ghent University Hospital &amp; VIORESC</li> </ul>
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**13:00 – 14:00: Lunch break**

### **14:00 – 15:30: Parallel sessions 3a and 3b**

#### Session 3a: Practice Clinic – Psychosocial Care

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** Prof dr Iva Bicanic, clinical psychologist UMC Utrecht & Head of the national psychotraumacentre children and adolescents, the Netherlands

<b>14:00-14:05</b>	Introduction Practice Clinic
<b>14:05 – 15:00</b>	Psychosocial support services in the Finnish sexual assault referral center - Lähdepuro Anna, Ahlgren Lina, Rajakaltio-Kiuru Katja, Korjamo Riina
	Beyond Monitoring and Universal Support in Post-Rape Care: Training Sexual Assault Centers to Deliver modified Prolonged Exposure as Early Intervention After Rape (EIR) – Tina Haugen
	Psychological First Aid for people with intellectual disabilities who have experienced sexual abuse: A step-by-step programme – Aafke Scharloo
	The Boys Club, a support group for young refugees – Jelmer Hoogetboom
	Faith in the session: exploring the role of religion in the relationship between psychosocial counsellors and their gender-based violence survivor clients in Tigray and Afar, Ethiopia – Milka Kidanemariam Gebreegziabher
	Sexual Violence and the Limits of Individualised Recovery – Lena Swinnen

<b>15:00-15:30</b>	Meet the expert discussion
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**Session 3b: Oral presentations – Access to Care in High-risk Contexts**

**Location:** Room 1.05

**Chair:** Nele Vaerewijck, Ghent University-ICRH & VIORESC

<b>14:00 – 14:15</b>	Community perceptions about factors influencing access to care after sexual violence in North Kivu, Democratic Republic of the Congo: a qualitative study – Hanna Reinholdz
<b>14:15 – 14:30</b>	Survivor’s intent to report to police after incident of sexual and gender-based violence, retrospective analysis within Médecins Sans Frontières programs – Meggy Verputten
<b>14:30 – 14:45</b>	Enhancing access through safe identification for survivors of sexual and gender-based violence - experience from Médecins Sans Frontières programmes – Meggy Verputten
<b>14:45 – 15:00</b>	Creating access for survivors of SGBV during war – the experience from a community-based approach by Médecins Sans Frontières in South Darfur, Sudan – Roa Abdalla Osman, Hanna Reinholdz
<b>15:00 – 15:15</b>	Sexual violence against older adults in complex humanitarian settings: a retrospective analysis from Médecins Sans Frontières, 2019-2024 – Elburg van Boetzelaer
<b>15:15 – 15:30</b>	Questions & Discussion

**15:30 – 15:45: Break**

**15:45 – 17:15: Parallel sessions 4a, b and c**

**Session 4a: Practice Clinic: Transmural Care Pathways**

**Location:** Chapel

**Chair:** dr Saar Baert, Ghent University-ICRH & VIORESC

<b>15:45-15:50</b>	Introduction Practice Clinic
<b>15:50 – 16:45</b>	Supporters of Survivors: A Trauma-Responsive Digital Innovation for Informal Support Networks After Sexual Violence – Sarah West
	Integrated Care and Support for Survivors of Sexual Violence in Senegal – Abdoulaye CISSE
	From Law to Practice: Sweden’s Experience with Consent-Based Sexual Offence Legislation – Anna Möller

	From Examination to Justice: Sexual Assault Care in the Faroe Islands: A Small-Society Approach – Diana Reynstind
<b>16:45 – 17:15</b>	Meet the expert discussions

### **15:45 – 17:15: Parallel sessions 4b and 4c**

#### **Session 4b: Animated Poster Session**

Location: Room 1.03

1. Transmural pathways in sexual assault care: aspects from a Norwegian mapping survey of sexual assault centres  
*Dina Midttun*
2. Seasonal fluctuations in requests for support in relation to sexual violence: the experience of a multidisciplinary anti-violence service  
*Giusy Barbara*
3. Women's experience of receiving care during acute consultation after a sexual assault  
*Siri Haugan*
4. Medical Follow-up at Oslo Sexual Assault Center  
*Nanja Rogne*

#### **Session 4c: Animated Poster Session**

Location: Room 1.07

1. Political violence exposure and gender-based violence among pregnant women attending public antenatal clinics in the Ramallah area, West Bank  
*Aisha Shalash*
2. Mapping risk factors and mechanisms linking gender-based violence to perinatal depression: a scoping review  
*Aisha Shalash*
3. "In the end nothing was done." Healthcare professionals' experiences with Gender-based Violence and Postpartum Depression screening in perinatal care in a conflict-affected setting  
*Nele Vaerewijck*
4. How can an informational poster contribute to increasing young people's awareness of what is important during the acute phase following a sexual assault  
*Helen Naalsund*
5. From Emergency Care to Prevention: Sexual Assault Reports as a Community Health Tool  
*Sara Cottler-Casanova*

**17:15-17:40: Closing of the seminar, creative intervention & announcement of next ICSOR Conference**

**Location:** Chapel

**Closing seminar:** Prof dr Ines Keygnaert, Ghent University-ICRH, Ghent University Hospital, VIORESC

**Announcement next ICSOR in 2028:** we will tell you then ;-)

**Creative intervention: Poetry Slam on Caring for Survivors of Rape, by Lauria Gatoni**

**19:00: Conference Closing Dinner**

Location: Alix - Maison d'Amis, Kortrijksesteenweg 206, 9000 Gent