

## R3P The Research To Policy & Practice Process

## The Multi-Country Study on the Drivers of Violence Affecting Children

### What is the R3P ?

It can be overwhelming for countries when presented with many pressing child protection issues to know where to invest limited resources for maximum impact. The Research to Policy & Practice Process (R3P) is a user-friendly methodological road map for UNICEF Country Offices and national partners to step back—and systematically review what is known (or not) about violence prevention and related issues in their national contexts. This tool helps countries prioritize best possible prevention and response interventions based on local evidence.

### Why is the R3P important?

Understanding what drives violence is premised on the understanding that vulnerability to violence evolves in complex socio-economic and cultural contexts engaging a cast of siblings, peers, parents, caregivers, the wider community, professionals and authorities. A sound analysis of the issues will lead to better informed action.

### How does the R3P work?

The R3P begins with a secondary analysis of relevant existing national data sets nested within a qualitative and quantitative literature review and interventions mapping. Countries can analyze what drives violence customizing the analysis to topical areas of national concern (such as schools, parenting, adolescents, etc).

### What results from the R3P ?

The results of this low cost, high impact analysis will highlight how critical protective and/or risk factors for violence interact primarily at the household and community levels. It will yield understandings of what triggers violence, which groups are most likely to respond to messaging and suggests how interventions might be tested. Also it can guide national discussions and planning, inform national prevention campaigns and improve existing practice.



### Who will help the R3P ?

The OoR-Innocenti, working with the University of Edinburgh, provides expert scientific technical assistance to guide national partners through a multi-level analysis as well as recommendations for interventions implementation and measurement.

### Where is the R3P happening?

The R3P is now active in 10 countries across four UNICEF Regions globally. Interest in this process is a result of the Multi Country Study on the Drivers of Violence Affecting Children directed by the Office of Research—Innocenti investigating the determinants and drivers of violence through a three stage research process.

**Stage 1** includes a systematic national literature review, interventions mapping and secondary analysis of national data sets to situate violence against children nationally to identify trends and national priorities.

**Stage 2** explores social norms and theories of change through field research and intervention testing.

During **Stage 3** countries will implement small and large scale interventions.

Core countries participating in this study include:

**Vietnam**  
**Zimbabwe**  
**Peru**  
**Italy**

These core country sites serve as child protection observatories whereby neighboring countries in the region can learn and replicate the process, beginning with Stage 1 of the research and customizing it to national needs.

Neighboring countries and their topical areas of interest include:

**Philippines** (Violence Prevention in Homes and Schools)  
**Indonesia** (Violence Prevention and Gender Socialisation)  
**Swaziland** (Gender Norms and Adolescent Transitions)  
**Costa Rica** (Violence Prevention and Community Systems)  
**Paraguay** (Violence Prevention and Interpersonal Violence)  
**Ethiopia** (Violence Prevention and Young Lives Analysis)  
**India** (Violence Prevention and Young Lives Analysis)  
**Serbia** (Violence Prevention and Response: A Multi-Sectoral Focus)  
**China** (Violence Prevention within Systems: Improving Administrative Data)

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