

# AI-Powered Evidence Mapping tool for Gender-Based Violence & Femicide in South Africa

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# Launch of DPME-PACE “AI-Powered Evidence Map on GBVF in SA

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NATIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN ON GBVF LIVING EVIDENCE MAP

Scan the QR code for access

Code to be created once URL is available

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**A collaborative partnership between PACE and SA Government**

NATIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN ON GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE & FEMICIDE  
HUMAN DIGNITY AND HEALING, SAFETY, FREEDOM & EQUALITY IN OUR LIFETIME

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"I really do want to imagine a South Africa where Women and Girls don't walk around fearing for the lives. Where the LGBTQI Community is not fearing for their lives. Where children can go to school without the fear of Sexual Violence that takes place there. Where we can exist in spaces not fearing for our lives. That is an idea all of us should be moved by."

**"No woman, child or LGBTQI person should live in fear. This should move us all- and this tool helps make it possible".**

**-Andile Madonsela**  
Director: Innovation & Equity

**Partnership building**

# Advancing evidence mapping as a knowledge tool, using technology

- Embraced our **principle of “multiple ways of knowing”** when it comes to tackling GBVF in SA and across the continent
- Moved from few sources to **multiple sources of evidence + data**
- Traditional mapping practice has been advanced to **integrating a body of curated evidence** for answering specific questions
- Transparency in what was maintained and **use of the tool** for doing the labor-intensive evidence synthesis preparation tasks

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ON THE LAUNCH OF THE NSP GBVF LIVING EVIDENCE MAP 09 AUGUST 2025

Today, we honour the women of 1956 and every woman whose courage drives change. The NSP GBVF Living Evidence Map is

**A TOOL FOR ACTION.  
A TOOL FOR JUSTICE.  
A TOOL THAT PUTS  
SURVIVORS FIRST.**

We will not end GBVF with words alone - we need evidence, accountability, and the courage to act.

Wathint' Abafazi, Wathint' Imbokodo.

- Hon. Maropene Ramokgopa  
Minister in the Presidency for Planning,  
Monitoring & Evaluation

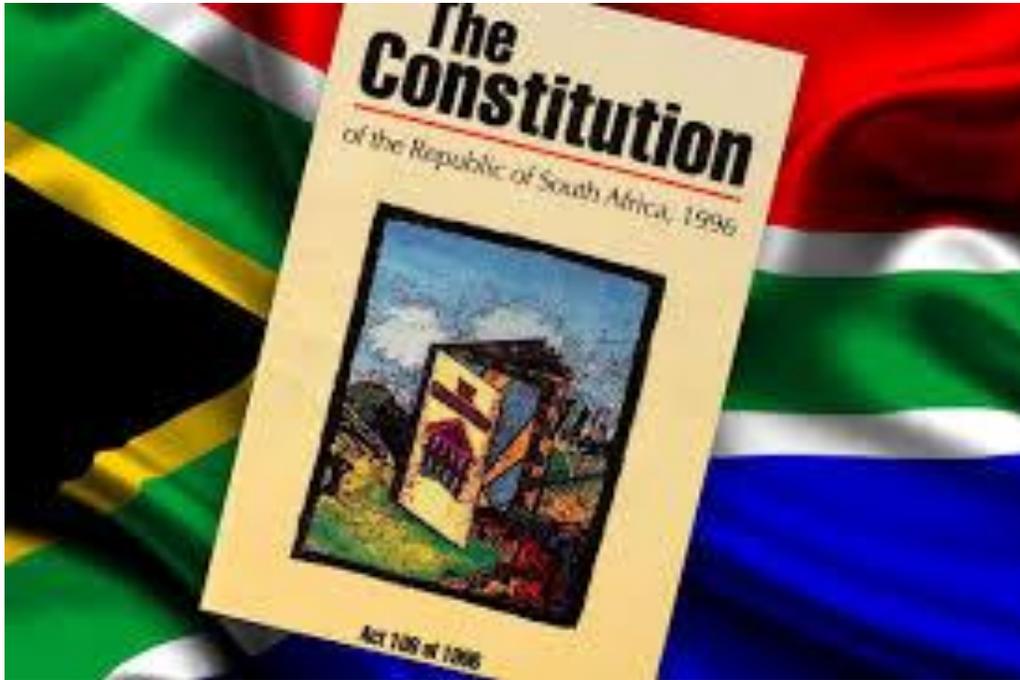
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# Lessons & insights from brokering the use of the tool from within my workplace praxis

- More sources = more perspectives and diverse sources of evidence!
- Consensus building and agreeing on priority interventions still remain a **human component**
- Tracking progress **vs** behavior (individual) **vs** norms (societal values)



# Implications and risks of tech advancement on the evidence ecosystem



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# How we plan to use the AI-EM-GBVF and integrate into practice

## Our strategies:

1. Build communities of support (vs practice)
2. Strategic partnerships (influencers / policy makers / practitioners)
3. Use of a variety of AI tools strategically and ethically to work with multi source and types of data

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ACCESS IN 3 EASY STEPS

### HOW TO ACCESS THE NSP GBVF LIVING EVIDENCE MAP

1. Open the link or scan the QR code
2. Download the file
3. Open the file with Google Chrome

Scan the QR code with a smartphone camera

Or copy and paste the below into your browser :  
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A photograph of the National Parliament Building in South Africa, featuring two large domes and a central flagpole, with the text "THANK YOU" overlaid in white.

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