I am pleased to guest edit a special issue of *Community, Work, and Family* based on the terrific Work and Family Researchers Network (WFRN) conference this past summer.

Washington D.C. provided the perfect context for the discussions of scholarship related to social, organizational, and comparative policy, both explicitly and in sessions including policy-relevant research. Many of the presentations included an emphasis on life course stage and processes.

Accordingly, I am organizing a special issue of *Community, Work, and Family* that will draw from some of these excellent presentations. The theme of this special issue is *Redesigning Careers and Care for the 21st Century*. In this issue, I intend to showcase the value of research aimed at advancing understanding of work and family as interactive social process *embedded in multilayered institutional contexts*, with both individuals *and* institutions *changing over time*.

The research challenge is not what was, but what is and what could be. What social forces, deliberate policy changes, and new ways of thinking are opening up possibilities for women, men, and families at all stages of the life course? What inventive public and business policies, practices, and mindsets can promote health and equality of individuals and families?

Please consider submitting the paper you presented at the 2016 WFRN Conference to *Community, Work and Family* following the journal’s guidelines (available here) and indicating the submission is for the special issue. [In step 5 - “details and comments” - of the submission process, authors can indicate that their submission is for a special issue, and select “WFRN Conference 2016” from the drop down list.]

Submissions are due by **OCTOBER 15, 2016**, and must be based on a paper presented at the June 23-25, 2016 WFRN conference. Both theoretical and empirical papers will be considered, and all submissions will be peer-reviewed. Questions about the submission process? Please contact Karin Milovanovic at milovanovic@fsw.eur.nl.