



## Intersections between Work–Life Balance and Gender Policies: Equality and Sustainability for Caring and Family Transition

Guest Editors:

**Prof. Dr. Isabella Crespi**

Department of Education  
Cultural Heritage and Tourism,  
University of Macerata, 62100  
Macerata, Italy

**Dr. Elena Macchioni**

Department of Political and  
Social Science, Alma Mater  
Studiolum, University of Bologna,  
40125 Bologna, Italy

Deadline for manuscript  
submissions:

**31 December 2024**

### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Sustainability (as greater well-being) and equity (gender and generational) policies have often been given little consideration in the face of the complexity of the needs of individuals and families and their increasing differentiation. Theoretical and/or empirical research papers, based on qualitative and quantitative methods, adopting comparative, as well as country-specific approaches to explore the following topics, are particularly welcomed:

- effectiveness in terms of welfare and sustainability of welfare services concerning work–life balance;
- the innovativeness of governance models of care and personal services in support of work–life balance and gender equality;
- the sustainability of work–life balance measures and services implemented by public, private or third-sector actors aimed at more significant equity between genders and generations;
- interpreting work–family balance from a gender perspective (e.g., diversity management; diversity–equality–inclusion; corporate social/family responsibility, etc.) involving a plurality of actors





an Open Access Journal by MDPI

## Editor-in-Chief

**Emeritus Prof. Nigel Parton**  
School of Human and Health  
Sciences, University of  
Huddersfield, Huddersfield HD1  
3DH, UK

## Message from the Editor-in-Chief

*Social Sciences* is an international open access peer-reviewed journal publishing the latest research across all disciplines of the social sciences including anthropology, criminology, economics, education, geography, history, law, linguistics, political science, psychology, social policy, social work, sociology and related areas. The journal is especially interested in interdisciplinary research, and aims to facilitate the interaction and communication between different social scientific disciplines. The journal welcomes conventional length articles as well as shorter Research Notes or short articles, as long as they meet the journal's standards of quality and originality.

## Author Benefits

**Open Access:** free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

**High visibility:** indexed within Scopus, ESCI (Web of Science), RePEc, and other databases.

**Journal Rank:** JCR - Q2 (*Social Sciences, Interdisciplinary*) / CiteScore - Q2 (*General Social Sciences*)

## Contact Us

---

*Social Sciences* Editorial Office  
MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5  
4052 Basel, Switzerland

Tel: +41 61 683 77 34  
[www.mdpi.com](http://www.mdpi.com)

[mdpi.com/journal/socsci](http://mdpi.com/journal/socsci)  
[socsci@mdpi.com](mailto:socsci@mdpi.com)  
[X@SocSci\\_MDPI](https://twitter.com/SocSci_MDPI)