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Rethinking Home Office, Digitalizedwork and Work-Family Interface

Message from the Guest Editors

Many employees wish to have the option of working from home, but prior to the COVID-19 pandemic there was a considerable gap between demand and supply that still exists today (Chung & Van der Lippe, 2020). Employers, supervisors, and employees were often sceptical about the practibality of this form of work. It is obvious that working from home changes opportunities and risks in the work-life interface, not least because of blurred boundaries. However, whether working from home has positive or negative consequences for the work-life interface. Existing evidence suffers from the problem that the analysis of positive and negative consequences has rarely been linked to different modes of implementing working from home. The pandemic has considerably diminished the preexisting reserve against working from home among managers and employers. This Special Issue aims to combine theoretical considerations and empirical investigations into this area. We are especially interested in theoretical contributions on the pros and cons of regulating working from home at the levels of legislation, corporatist rules, and single work organizations, in addition to empirical studies.

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