Our annual meeting will be held virtually this year in May 12 – 14 (two hours each day). We invite all CWE-GAM researchers, advisors, partners, and funders to join us for a series of live panel sessions highlighting our project’s key research results, followed by a discussion on policy implications, reflection, and next steps. The objectives of the annual meeting are: to take stock of the achievements of the CWE-GAM project and assess them against the project goals; to consolidate the research and policy lessons from the project; and to identify remaining research gaps related to the care economy. More details and registration information to come.
The Center for Transnational Migration and Social Inclusion (CTMS) at Seoul National University and the Care Work and the Economy (CWE-GAM) Project at American University will jointly host international scholars, research institutions, civil society groups, and government ministries for a conference in Seoul, South Korea on June 2-4, 2021. The conference will focus on examining how care work and care economy lie at the center of reimagining the transformation towards a new normal in the post-pandemic future. The three-day event will feature both recorded and live sessions for project scholars to engage with policy makers, advocacy groups and care workers in South Korea. Stay tuned for more details.

#SeoulPolicyDialogue #CareWorkEconomyyr4 #CareEconomy
The Care Work and the Economy project at American University, in partnership with the Levy Economics Institute will hold a virtual 15-day training course June 28 - July 17, 2021. This course is designed for government officials, statisticians, and researchers from developing countries to enhance their skills in estimating care economies and developing gender-sensitive macroeconomic models for policy analysis. The purpose of this course is to engage with fellow economists to enhance capacity building in research and teaching of gender-sensitive economic analysis, with a focus on care and macroeconomic policy aspects. Please share this call for applications with your networks.

Maria Floro discusses Macroeconomic Policies, Care and Gender in the Post-COVID Era on Faculti.net.

The 2021 IAFFE Annual Conference will be held June 22-25th 2021 and will provide a forum for scholarship and inquiry that recognizes the methodological pluralism of feminist economics. Call for proposals are now open for session and panel proposals that engage with links between theory and action on these topics, as well as on a broader range of feminist inquiry into economic phenomena. The CWE-GAM project plans to organize panel sessions to showcase the project’s latest working papers. If you would like to participate, please email sarslan@american.edu by March 10.
Care Arrangements and Activities in South Korea by Eunhye Kang, Ki-Soo Eun, Jiweon Jun, Seung-Eun Cha and Hyuna Moon presents a portrait of care arrangements and characteristics of (unpaid) caregiving activities for children and the elderly in South Korea, using the data collected from the Care Work Family Surveys conducted in 2018 as part of the CWE-GAM field work in Korea. See surveys below:

- 2018 South Korea Eldercare and Childcare Household Survey – Eldercare
- 2018 South Korea Eldercare and Childcare Household Survey – Childcare

Estimating the Paid Care Sector in South Korea by Joo Yeoun Suh provides a comprehensive picture of the paid care workforce in South Korea by measuring its size and extrapolating the median wage earnings and aggregate hours spent on caregiving by the workers using the following data sources: the Local Area Labor Force Survey, Child Care Statistics, Social Services Voucher Statistics, and Long-term Care Insurance Statistical Yearbook.

The Qualitative Methodology and Survey Instruments by Hyuna Moon, Seung-Eun Cha, Ki-Soo Eun, Eunhye Kang and Ito Peng outlines the process and methodology used in CWE-GAM project’s qualitative field work in 2018 that set out to gain a deeper understanding of the nature of care work and the well-being of caregivers in the context of Korea. As part of this field work, CTMS and Gallup Korea joined together to conduct 96 comprehensive narratives of caregiving, one of which is published in this recent blog.

These invite-only workshops provide a platform for CWE-GAM researchers to share work-in-progress and to engage in stimulating research discussions, such as
those we had in Berlin and Glasgow. We are organizing a few more of these workshops for Spring 2021 (stay tuned). If you want to have a friendly and thoughtful discussion of your ongoing research, contact us at careworkeconomy@american.edu. Please include the title of the paper you would like to present and a month that would work best for your schedule.

Reach out to us at careworkeconomy@american.edu or on Twitter @careworkeconomy with questions or comments, or if you would like to share your current work, including blogs, articles, papers and events to highlight on our website.

The CWE-GAM Communications Team would also like to know if your working papers are being published. If so, please reach out to us with the title of the working paper, title of the journal, and stage of the publication process. This will help the project keep up to date on the activities and achievements of all our valued researchers.