Practitioner Day at 2016 WFRN Conference

Work and Family Practitioners & Researchers Gathered from Around the World!

DATE Practitioner Day was held: June 22, 2016
LOCATION: Capital Hilton in Washington, D.C.

PRACTITIONER DAY PROGRAM [1]

WHY ATTEND? [2]

[Those registered for the conference were automatically registered to attend any sessions on Practitioner Day of interest to them]

At the end of June 2016, the best and brightest work and family researchers, policy makers, and practitioners from around the world gathered for their biennial global conference. A special day was carved out from the four-day conference (Wednesday, June 22 through Saturday, June 25) where leaders from organizations and leaders in research came together to share knowledge, ask questions, and create a vision for the future of work and family. The 2016 WFRN Practitioner Day provided a front row seat to the most recent research related to work and family. Topics included Workplace Flexibility, Work-Life Interventions, Health and Well-being, Early Careerists and Change Management.

Presenting speakers included:

• Phyllis Moen - University of Minnesota
• Lotte Bailyn - MIT
• Brad Harrington - Boston College
• Jeffrey Hill - Brigham Young University
• Ellen Kossek - Purdue University
• AND MANY MORE!

During each of these breakout sessions participants:

• Heard information from a panel of experts
• Participated in discussions
• Exchanged ideas
• Asked questions

Who attended:

Work-Life Leaders, and Diversity & Inclusion, HR, Talent Management, Organizational Development, and Benefits Professionals

This one-day track offered specially selected breakout sessions with leading researchers who shared new research on issues that impact the workplace. These sessions provided researchers and practitioners an opportunity to discuss current activities and findings in key areas, such as: Flexibility, Work-Life Integration, Generations, Employee Engagement, Global Work-Life, and Overwork.

One of the highlights was the Reshaping Work, Careers and Life workshop. During this session practitioners alongside researchers sat at one of four table topics and participated in different small group, facilitated discussions. Each participant was able to attend two of the topic discussions during the session. They included: Doing Work Differently, Doing Home Differently, Doing Careers and Leadership Differently and Men at Work.

Special Registration for Practitioner Day was available:
• One-Day Government Employee Practitioner Pass (non-members): $250
• One-Day Non-Profit Organization Practitioner Pass (non-member): $250
• Corporate Conference Registration (non-member): $500
[Note: corporate pass registrants were welcome to attend the entire conference]

Registration included:
• Access to the event, which included breakfast & reception
7 (HR General) recertification credit hours through the HR Certification Institute (HRCI) & 7 Professional Development Credits (PDCs) from SHRM

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