

## Editorial

Francophone disability research has generally been relatively unknown to Scandinavian, and most other English speaking, researchers. The main purpose of SJDR's present thematic issue on French disability research is to contribute to a richer exchange between countries. We are happy to present a wide range of topics and perspectives, representing, if not a complete part of current French disability research, at least an important part. With the creation of ALTER, the new European journal of disability research, publishing articles in both English and French, the chances are good of having a more continuous flow of exchange between Anglo-Saxon and Francophone disability research.

We have at the end of this year completed our time as editors of SJDR. It has been an enriching experience, and we are very pleased about the number, and quality, of submitted articles during these three years. The journal has, during our editorship, strengthened its international focus, which has been one of our main goals. The collaboration between us, as editors, has been rewarding and inspiring to us both. There are many who we would like to thank for their support, not least our competent assistant Marie-Louise Stjerna, book review editors, and all those who have acted as referees. We have great faith in the journal's continuing development, and are confident that it will continue to inspire fruitful multi-disciplinary analyses on issues relating to disability.

Finally, we would like to wish the new editor, John Eriksen from Oslo, Norway, welcome. He will of course present himself more in detail in the next issue, but we are confident that he will make an outstanding contribution to the journal, and we wish him all the luck in his future work!

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