Object- versus people-centered outlooks in computer use: Is women's voice loud enough?

In our paper, we will try to explore Arnold Pacey's distinction between *object-* and *people- centered outlooks* with regard to computer technology. It is generally admitted that today's immense technical expertise has a great deficiency in dealing with people and personal relations but is computer use necessarily object-oriented and non-relational? Can those questions be re-oriented in a gendered approach, such as the one proposed by Carol Gilligan's "ethics of care"? In order to cope with the issue, we will introduce, first, the views of theoreticians such as Sherry Turkle and others, who thematize the problems related to the interpersonal implications of computer use and, second, we will shed a light on their ethical background in terms of compliance or non-compliance with a *relational, non-objectivist* ethical paradigm.