

PROGRAMME

Labour Law History from a Global Perspective: Collective Workplace Disputes and their Normative Contexts

12-13 SEPTEMBER 2023 I MPILHLT, ROOM Z01 I DR JOHANNA WOLF

Tuesdays, 12.09.2023

09:00-09:30 Arrival and Registration

09:30-10:00 Welcome and Thoughts on How to Build up a Network

Johanna Wolf (MPILHLT)

Conceptual Perspectives on the History of Labour Law

Peter Collin (MPILHLT)

KEYNOTE SPEECH

Chair: Matthias Ebbertz (MPILHLT)

10:00–11:00 Workers' Participation: Comparative Historical Perspectives from

the Nineteenth Century to the End of the Cold War

Stefan Berger (Director of the Institute for Social Movements) (ZOOM)

Coffee

PANEL I | DEMOCRACY AT THE SHOP FLOOR

Chair: Jenny Jannsson (Uppsala Universitet)

11:30–13:00 Workers Leaving the Factory: Discourses about the Democratization

of Work since 1970

Pedro Alexandre Teixeira (Centre Marc Bloch Berlin)

Labour Conflicts and Political Regulation: The Case of Germany

during the 20th Century

Manfred Wannöffel (Ruhr University Bochum)

Voices from the Shop Floor: Politics, Law, and Workplace Industrial

Relations in Turkey, 1920s-1950s

Görkem Akgöz (re:work: IGK Work and Human Life Cycle in Global

History, Berlin)

Lunch



PANEL II | ENTANGLEMENTS IN LABOUR LAW

Chair: Raquel R. Sirotti (MPILHLT)

14:00-15:30 Labour Conflicts and Labour "Law" in 19th Century Argentina

Gabriel Di Meglio (University of Buenos Aires)

Workers' Mobilizations and Anti-Vagrancy Policies in Abolitionist Legislation: Brazil and the Portuguese Empire in Africa in a Perspective of the Global History of Labour (1870-1899) Paulo Cruz Terra (Universidade Federal Fluminense)

International Influences on Labour Law in Brazil: Case Studies of Four Socialist Lawyers in the First Half of the Twentieth Century

Aldrin Castellucci (Universidade do Estado da Bahia)

Coffee

PANEL III | INTERTWINING OF LABOUR REGULATION AND (DE-)COLONIZATION

Chair: Tim-Niklas Vesper (MPILHLT)

16:00-17:30 Indentured Labour: Resistence, Violence and Colonial Law in

German East Africa

Minu Haschemi Yekani (Freie Universität Berlin)

Labour, Punishment and Governance: Labour Practices and Regulations in the Territories Ruled by Chartered Companies in

Mozambique (1891-1942) Raquel R. Sirotti (MPILHLT)

Decasualisation in the Times of Decolonisation at the Port of Calcutta

Prerna Agarwal (London School of Economics)

Dinner

ROUNDTABLE I | WHY WRITING LABOUR LAW HISTORY

Chair: Peter Collin (MPILHLT)

18:30–19:30 Joachim Rückert (Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main)

Cristina Vano (University of Naples)

Eric Tucker (York University Osgoode Hall Law School, Toronto)



Wednesday, 13.09.2023

ROUNDTABLE II | HOW WRITING LABOUR LAW HISTORY FROM A COMPARATIVE OR GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE?

Chair: Paulo Cruz Terra (Universidade Federal Fluminense)

09:00-10:00 Michael Rösser (University of Bamberg) (ZOOM)

Ravi Ahuja (Centre for Modern Indian Studies, Göttingen) Naoko Matsumoto (Sophia University, Tokyo) (ZOOM)

Bridget Kenny (University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg)

Coffee

PANEL IV | LABOUR COURTS IN COMPARISON

Chair: Cristina Vano (University of Naples)

10:30-12:00 Balancing Law and Labour: The Divergent Evolution of the Conseil

de Prud'Hommes in Belgium and France
Jasper van de Woestijne (Ghent University)

Labour Law and Politics in Mid-Twentieth Century South India: A

View from the 'Informal' Sector

Karuna Dietrich Wielenga (Azim Premji University, Sarjapura)

Brazil Labour Courts, Collective Workplace Disputes and their

Normative Contexts

Fernando Teixeira da Silva (State University of Campina)

Lunch

PANEL V | LABOUR LAW AND GENDER

Chair: Minu Haschemi Yekani (Freie Universität Berlin)

13:00-14:00 "Those who were able to work": Dominion, Politics and Culture in

South Atlantic Labour Relations in the 18th Century

Crislayne Gloss Marão Alfagali (Pontifícia Universidade Católica do

Rio de Janeiro)

Sugar Cane Monoculture, and Gardens of Resistance under

Plantationocene

Christine Rufino Dabat (Universidade Federal de Pernambuco)

(ZOOM)

Coffee



PANEL VI | LABOUR LAW AND REVOLUTION

Chair: King Chi Chris Chan (University of London)

14:30–16:00 Labour Protest and Democratic Opposition in Spain and Poland,

1960-1990

Anna Delius (Federal Agency for Civic Education)

Democracy in Factory. Claims, Actors, Norms in the Italian Industrial

Relations of the 1960s

Virginia Amorosi (University of Naples)

Labour Law and Revolution. Dismissal Protection in Post-

Revolutionary Portugal and Romania

Adrian Grama (Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European

Studies)

Coffee

PANEL VII | CHANGES AND CHALLENGES IN THE WORLD OF WORK

Chair: Karuna Dietrich Wielenga (Azim Premji University)

16:30-17:30 Workers' Struggle and Political-Economic Context: A Historical

Review on Labour Law Reforms in China King Chi Chris Chan (University of London)

How do Unions and Employers' Organizations Use Notice of Industrial Action in Collective Bargaining? New Perspectives on

Swedish Labour Market Conflicts

Jenny Jansson (Uppsala Universitet)

Dinner

18:00-19:00 Final Discussion

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