

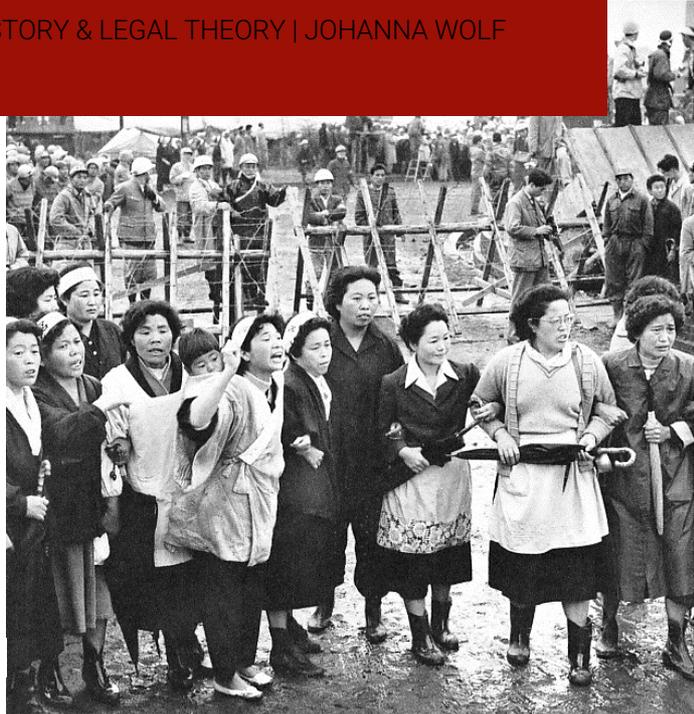


PROGRAMME

Labour Law History from a Global Perspective

Collective Workplace Disputes and their Normative Contexts

12. & 13.09.2023 | MPI LEGAL HISTORY & LEGAL THEORY | JOHANNA WOLF



Mitsui-Miike Labour Dispute 1959-60

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The history of labour law is a niche discipline in many countries, with only a few experts dealing with it. This conference aims to initiate the establishment of a network and brings together scholars to discuss interdisciplinary, transversal and transnational approaches in this field. We will talk about national developments in labour law and also look at the topic from a global perspective. For a common ground, we asked the panellists to speak about collective workplace disputes and their normative contexts as a concrete research topic. And by disputes we mean not only strikes and collective labour protests in the modern understanding, but also resistant, obstinate behaviour (*Eigensinn*) by people in both free and unfree labour relations. The conference serves as an input event for the formation of a network. Further events are planned, as well as joint publications.





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12-13 SEPTEMBER 2023 | MPILHLT, ROOM Z01 | 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

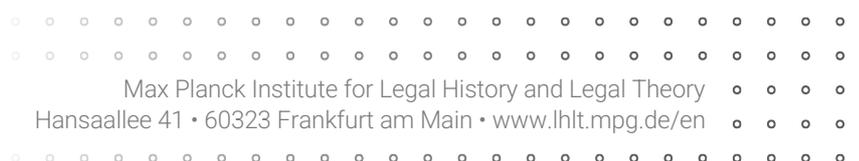
Chair: *Jenny Jansson (Uppsala Universitet)*

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) (ZOOM)

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: Resistance, Violence and Colonial Law in German East Africa**
Minu Haschemi Yekani (Freie Universität Berlin) (cancelled)

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





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) (ZOOM)

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**

