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ISLSSL YOUNG LEGAL SCHOLARS' SECTION

CALL FOR PAPER

**TO THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS OF
THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR LABOUR AND SOCIAL SECURITY LAW**

27th February 2022

Dear colleagues,

As announced in the ISLSSL Bulletin the 8th International Seminar on International and Comparative Labour Law will take place in Venice, at Cà Foscari University on **23-26 May 2022**.

The 2022 edition of the Seminar will be dedicated to the issue of “*Labour Law and Climate Change: towards a Just Transition*”.

All Seminar’s participants are invited to take an active part in the discussion from an interdisciplinary perspective.

In particular, on 26st May a session will be dedicated to the presentation and discussion of the papers presented by the Young Legal Scholars of the ISLSSL.

This call for paper is open also to all Young Scholars who would like to take part in the International Seminar.

Of course, the interested scholars can also submit additional perspectives of analysis, but always linked to the general theme of the Seminar.

Researchers and Young Scholars from countries around the world are invited to submit original papers with new and innovative results on scientific, technical and practical experience.

As is customary for the ISLSSL, papers should be quantitative and rigorous. A (non-exclusive) list of potential conference topics is:

In recent years, climate change has urgently called for new social-economic paradigms in order to address the unsustainability of existing models.

Moreover, what has been neglected so far is the need to adopt models that envisage interdisciplinary and organic approaches at the international, euro-unitary and national level in order to plan both an ecological and social transition. As a matter of fact, the labour law, ecological and environmental issues have long been managed with a lack of communicative approach.

The idea of harmonizing policies aimed at implementing the ecological transition and measures to support employment transitions has only been addressed in recent years and mostly as a principle.

Sustainable development and climate justice have been developed to address emerging social issues as part of a broader response to the ecological crisis. However, the difficulty in addressing these issues in an interdisciplinary perspective between labour law and environmental sciences has had the controversial result of developing sometimes very different notions of “Just Transition”.

However, the close link between green transition and social-economic transition is undeniable: promoting actions to reduce dependence on fossil fuels and encouraging climate-neutral activities means to reform the scope of the company in a sustainable way. But it also means to identify adequate tools to protect especially vulnerable workers within the transition period, providing them with the necessary tools to retrain their skills so as to adapt them to the new needs of green economy.

Therefore, the main goal is to rethink the traditional role of labour law, paving the way for a reflection on new integrated strategies, new industrial relations and the new challenges related to transition.

The objective of this Call for paper is to encourage the debate on the effects, in the context of labour law, of Just transition, by requesting papers that fit within the framework of such reflections, developing the general guidelines and implications with particular reference to the following aspects:

- the state of the art and the evolutionary analysis of the relationship between labour law and environment as a function of the ecological transition;
- the state of the art and the analysis of the relationship between climate change and climate migration;
- the role of social policies and labour law in addressing the eco-social crisis and the possible emerging models of Just Transition (e.g. Green Jobs, forms of income support; reduction of working hours, investments and active labour policies);
- the state of the art and the risks for employment and the transformations of the labour market generated by the ecological-technological transition programs;
- the role of industrial relations: the interaction between Trade Unions, the working class and climate change; collective bargaining concerning the objectives of environmental sustainability and worker protection in the specific perspective of the Just Transition;
- the climate-welfare nexus: how the different approaches to the concept of Just Transition can be aligned with the new ideas of sustainable welfare;

- multilevel governance: how sources could interact with each other given the global reach of climate issues;
- Green Jobs and ecological transition with specific studies on the relationship between job supply and demand; the critical issues of skills mismatching with respect to new emerging professionals; the conversion of skills and new training;

Selected papers will be presented and discussed in thematic sessions, circulated during the meeting, and also posted on the meeting website.

The publication of a book containing the selected papers, published by Kluwer, is also planned.

INFO FOR YOUNG SCHOLARS FOR SUBMISSION OF THE ABSTRACT

Full papers or long abstracts (minimum 1000 words) in pdf format should be **submitted online** no later than **April 15, 2022**.

Please note that paper selection has become increasingly competitive in recent years. Submissions that fully describe a complete analysis are generally more likely to be accepted than long abstracts. In particular, when submitting a long abstract, please ensure that the study and results are sufficiently described to allow comparison with full paper submissions. Each person can present only one selected paper, although multiple submissions and co-authorship are allowed.

The papers and the abstract have to be sent to the following addresses: stefanobellomo@mmba.it, adaper@unive.it and islsslseminar@gmail.com.

The abstract's paper will be examined by the Seminar's organizers and if accepted the full paper (no more than 30.000 characters, including spaces, footnotes and appendix) has to be presented at the Session of May 26st 2022.

Participation to the seminar:

The Young Scholars have the option to choose to attend the whole Seminar or only the session of May 26st.

1) PARTICIPATION IN THE WHOLE SEMINAR:

If the Young Scholars want to attend the whole Seminar, they could ask to their National Association to submit their candidature for the award of a scholarship: ISLSSL offers six scholarships (1,220 euros each) which includes accommodation (in May 22th, out May 27th), in a university residence, in a single room with private bathroom, breakfast, meals and administration expenses.

Please notice that all Scholarship winners must write a paper for the Young Scholars' Session of the Seminar.

2) PARTICIPATION ONLY IN THE SESSION of May 26st.

Young Scholars could attend only the Session of Friday, 26st of May where the paper should be presented. In this case the Seminar organizers will provide for the Young Scholars who will participate only in the session of 26 May, accommodation in Colleges or residences which are connected to the Ca' Foscari University for the nights of 25 and 26 May.

For any further information please contact Prof. Stefano Bellomo (stefanobellomo@mmba.it), Prof. Adalberto Perulli (adaper@unive.it) or write an email to islsslseminar@gmail.com.

Best regards.

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