

The Labour Paradigm presents

WTFLabourLaw
(Working on The Future of Labour Law)
1st Progressive Labour Law Scholars Summer Camp

29 August – 2 September 2018

@ ExFadda, San Vito dei Normanni (BR), Puglia, Italy

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

The Call

The Labour Paradigm announces this Call for participation in the inaugural Progressive Labour Law Scholars Summer Camp *WTFLabourLaw (Working on The Future of Labour Law)*, which will be held at ExFadda, located in San Vito dei Normanni (BR, Puglia, Italy) from Wednesday 29 August to Sunday 2 September 2018.

The call is addressed to all labour law scholars, irrespective of their career level, academic position or affiliation status.

The Summer Camp aims to (re)create a community of progressive researchers in labour law who share a concern for the status and context of contemporary labour law and wish to explore options for a radical change.

The program will include seminars, paper presentations, workshops, readings, discussions with invited speakers and other (social) activities.

Reflections and discussion will focus on the following five topics:

1) Intersections of labour law with environmental issues, from sustainable development to more radical ecologist claims. Participants will be asked to reflect upon the following overall question: *How can labour law reconcile social justice with environmental justice?*

2) Implications on labour law of new technologies, namely those behind the already impressive wave of digitisation and automation of work: from platforms and apps to wearable devices, from artificial intelligence and learning machines to big data and algorithms. In this regard, the overall question to be addressed is: *What are the most relevant challenges for labour law brought about the current automation and digitisation of work and what possible solutions/ideas can be investigated?*

3) Relationships between labour law and economics. Due to the evident supremacy of the economic rationality over the legal rationality in the normative discourse behind the recent 'reforms' of labour laws in many countries, it is time for labour law scholars to reflect on how to rebalance its relationship with the economists or at least reconnect with the non-orthodox economics and political economy ones. In order to do so, the participants will be asked to relate on: *How can labour law better interact with economics and, thus, represent and safeguard labour's interests?*

4) Labour mobility and law. The movement of workers across borders, either as permanent migrants, asylum seekers, temporary foreign workers, or lacking proper documentation raises a whole host of questions for labour law. Participants should ponder the following question: *how should labour law effectively respond to the mobility of people and capital?*

5) Labour law and its interplay with social and political movements: the role of labour lawyers and scholars beyond academia. Participants are invited to discuss how the field of labour law can

reconnect with the base of the labour movements and the actors primarily engaged in experiencing and shaping the labour market. In that regard, participants shall reflect on the following question: *Is there a role for progressive labour law scholars outside academia? And if yes, how to define this role?*

How to Apply

In order to participate to the Summer Camp, candidates should send, no later than 31 May 2018, an application containing a short cv (max 1 page) and a motivation letter expressing the reasons of the interest in participating in the Summer Camp referring also to the 5 topics above (max 2 page in total). These two documents must be sent as one single file, in PDF format, to the following email address: info@thelabourparadigm.org.

All candidates will be notified acceptance or rejection by 15 June 2018. Accepted participants, then, must register by 30 June 2018.

Participation Fee

Since the Summer Camp is not a sponsored event, its funding relies entirely on the participation fees, which cover all costs for the hospitality – namely accommodation for 4 nights through the lodging system of ExFadda (in private housing), 4 lunches & 4 dinners (breakfast not included) – the facilities for the activities of the Summer Camp (rooms, microphones, projectors, etc.) and all social activities.

The participation fee is 260 € for each person; for single room accommodations, there is an extra cost of 60 €.

The Summer Camp is a family-friendly community, so it is possible to bring accompanying persons (like spouses, partners, children, etc.) whose participation fee is 170 € (85 € for children under 5 years of age).

The registration form, the program of the Summer Camp and more information on ExFadda, the venue of the Summer Camp, will be available in May 2018 at www.thelabourparadigm.org

For any information, please, write to the Director of the Summer Camp, Vincenzo Pietrogiovanni: vincenzo.pietrogiovanni@har.lu.se.

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WTFLabourLaw (Working on The Future of Labour Law) – 1st Progressive Labour Law Scholars Summer Camp is promoted and developed by *The Labour Paradigm*, a new platform for reflections on labour law and technology, environment, economics, politics and society, together with *ExFadda*, an urban laboratory working on social practices, and *Spaghetti ABC*, an international project on gastronomy, culture, tourism and communication.

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