



Call for Papers

COST P-WILL Conference and a Special Issue on “Gendering the law of digital platforms. An interdisciplinary and comparative study of platform work and its law through gender.”

Call for papers. COST P-WILL Conference and Special Issue (Journal: Labour & Law Issues).

Deadline (extended abstract). November 10, 2023

Conference. Paris (in person and online), April 2024

Publication. December 2024

COST P-WILL - Platform Work Inclusion Living Lab invites you to submit proposals for papers for a Special Issue and a Conference on **“Gendering the law of digital platforms. An interdisciplinary and comparative study of platform work and its law through gender”**.

Pre-selected articles will be subject to double-blind peer review. They will be presented at a conference in Paris/online, organised by the University Paris-East (UPEC, MIL), in April 2024.

Accepted papers will be published in “Labour & Law Issues”, a peer-reviewed digital journal that deals with labour law, employment and industrial relations in the context of legal and social sciences.

Important dates:

Extended abstract (800 words) submission: November 10, 2023.

Notification of reviews: December 20, 2023.

Submission of final revised paper: April 15, 2024.

Notification of acceptance: October 1, 2024.

Publications: December 2024.

Prospective articles should be submitted as extended abstracts (around 800 words) or draft articles by November 10, 2023, to guido.smorto@unipa.it and claire.marzo@u-pec.fr. They should include an extended abstract (800 words), name, current affiliation and email address. Submission should be accompanied by a short bio / CV as well as a list of publications in a separate document (max. two pages). The outcome of the selection process will be communicated by December 20, 2023.

Final articles shall be delivered by April 15, 2024, and should conform to the journal style guide. We expect contributions within the range of 6,000 to 9,000 words, including footnotes and bibliography, but shorter and longer articles will be considered. Each accepted Author must guarantee English proofreading of their paper.

Topics. We are looking for papers showcasing new legal and empirical work related to an interdisciplinary and comparative study of platform work and its law through gender. These include, but are not limited to:

- **Feminist economic policies to platform law**
 - Policies for a gender equal and intersectional platform economy
 - Feminist political analysis on work, working conditions, social movements and collective representation in the platform economy
 - Feminist policy-making to the platform work

- **Gendering platform law or digitalising gender**
 - Gender as a theoretical tool to understand platform work
 - Digitalisation as a tool to understand gender in platforms
 - Changes brought by digitalisation and platforms to a gendered welfare state
 - Gender and organisational and platform work models
 - Gender and Digital technologies and data models.

- **Where to gender platform law**
 - Gendering platform law in a national and comparative context
 - Gendering platform law in the European Union
 - Gendering platform law at the international level

- **Fields of law reread in light of gender and platformisation**
 - **Social protection:** how social protection law impacts gender differentiation in platform work and how it could play a role in minimising the existing differences.
 - **Discrimination law:** the ways platforms may discriminate (on the grounds of gender but also others - from offline and online spaces and their interactions must be explored) and how law fights discrimination.
 - **Collective bargaining:** particularly on feminist groups and their approaches to unionisation.
 - **Labour law:** how labour law – and other laws governing NSFE- is/are transformed –or not- to adapt to platform workers' needs.
 - **Business law:** how different business models of platform work impact gender and how national laws allow or impact this model; cooperatives as a business model.
 - **Public law:** how public services could be thought of in a different way to take into account digitalisation, platformisation and gender.
 - **Tax law**
 - **Migration law**

We welcome contributions by members of the COST Action P-WILL and by colleagues of any career level who are not members of COST P-WILL.

PLEASE NOTE that P-WILL will not be able to fund all travel and participation in the Conference.

For further questions, please get in touch with the coordination committee:

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