



CALL FOR PAPERS

SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE: TECHNOLOGY, EMPLOYMENT AND LABOUR MARKET INSTITUTIONS

13-14 December 2018 Università Roma Tre, Dipartimento di Economia Scuola di Economia e Studi Aziendali, Via Silvio D'Amico 111, 00145 Roma

Following the success of the first International Astril Conference on "Reassessment and perpectives of labour policies" of last December, Astril is launching a "call for papers" for the second International Conference, which will take place in Rome on 13 - 14 december 2018.

One of the strongest driving forces of the process of structural change that affects all the economies worldwide is the diffusion of deep technological and organizational innovations. This process has a strong impact, both in quantitative and qualitative terms, on employment and raises a challenge for the appropriateness of labour market institutions. Three main areas deserve today further inquiry and will be the main themes of the conference.

Theme 1. The determinants of technical progress and of the intersectoral diffusion of innovations are to be found in several national and international factors; however, these factors operate in conjunction with some aspects of the labour force. Therefore two main questions are to be investigated with particular attention: a) whether and to what extent the quality of the labour force (but also of entrepreneurs), i.e. its skill and cognitive capital, can affect the path of technical progress and the absorption capacity of innovations in different sectors; b) what kind of impact, if any, flexibilization and cheap labour exert on the dynamics of innovation.

Theme 2. A second field to be explored is that of the effects of technical progress on: a) labour productivity, in aggregate and in sectoral dimension; b) shift of employment among sectors of different productivity, c) balance between job destruction and job creation, d) new work organization in firms; e) new form of jobs (crowd working, co-working, etc)

Theme 3. A third area of analysis concerns the question of what kind of institutional frame is more suitable to cope effectively with such evolution, and which institutional changes are therefore advisable, particularly in the fields of: a) labour mobility and social security; b) wage levels an wage bargaining; c) working time regulation and reduction; d) employment protection and industrial relations; e) education and training.

Deadlines:

Abstracts (300-500 words with description of methodology, state of art, and main contribution) and session proposals: **15 July 2018** Write in the abstract the theme which the paper refers to (1, 2, 3)

Notification of acceptance:-----30 July 2018

Paper submission:.....1 November 2018

Please send abstracts and session proposals (4 papers at least) to: astril@uniroma3.it

