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Established in 1919, and since 1946 a specialized agency of the United Nations, the International Labour Organization (ILO) focuses on workplace issues, actively seeking to create decent work for all – work which is freely chosen and performed in an environment of equity and human dignity. While promoting individual and collective rights at work, social protection and occupational safety and health, the ILO encourages social dialogue and supports an open and constructive industrial relations policy between governments, employers and workers.
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World Employment and Social Outlook 2015

The changing nature of jobs

The World Employment and Social Outlook is the ILO’s flagship report on world of work issues. Covering advanced as well as emerging and developing economies, the 2015 report documents the significant rise in new forms of work (including temporary, casual and part-time employment) and the decline in the standard employment relationship, characterized by open-ended, full-time jobs. The report examines the impacts of these emerging forms of work on productivity and income inequalities, as well as how policy must adapt to these changes in order to support job creation and mitigate the risk of growing insecurity at work. The roles of social protection, employment regulations and global supply chains are examined in detail.

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World Employment and Social Outlook

Trends 2016

World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2016 provides the latest global and regional estimates of employment and unemployment, employment by sector, vulnerable employment, labour productivity, informal employment and working poverty. Based on the most recent data available, the report examines underlying trends and cyclical developments related to economic, political and social changes, and presents a short- and medium-term outlook for key labour market variables. A particular focus is the shifts in financial market developments and their implications for employment volatility, job creation and income growth. The report also discusses recent developments linked to the global financial crisis and analyses their implications for a faster job and income recovery.

Key Indicators of the Labour Market (KILM)

*Ninth edition*

The KILM is a multifunctional research tool designed to make labour market information and analysis easily accessible. Harvesting information from international data repositories as well as regional and national statistical sources, the KILM offers data for over 200 countries. This book offers a summary of findings and descriptions of the indicators. The 17 chapters provide detailed information related to 36 data tables available free online, including indicators on employment (occupation, status, sector, hours, etc.), labour underutilization and the characteristics of job seekers’ education, wages, labour productivity and working poverty. Through its Excel add-in and interactive software, the KILM makes searching for relevant labour market information and analysis quick and simple.


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Profits and Poverty

The economics of forced labour

This report highlights how forced labour – which in the private economy generates US$150 billion in illegal profits per year, about three times more than previously estimated – thrives in the incubator of poverty and vulnerability, low levels of education and literacy, migration and other factors. The report also offers new knowledge of the determinants of forced labour that can help us develop and expand policies and programmes to not only stop forced labour where it exists, but to prevent it before it occurs. The report includes a range of figures that break down profits by area of forced labour and by region.

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World Social Protection Report 2014/15

Building economic recovery, inclusive development and social justice

This ILO flagship report provides a global overview of the organization of social protection systems, their coverage and benefits, as well as public expenditures on social protection. Following a life-cycle approach, it analyses trends and recent policies, such as the negative impacts of fiscal consolidation and adjustment measures, and calls for the urgent expansion of social protection for crisis recovery, inclusive development and social justice. The report includes valuable and comprehensive statistical annexes with the latest social protection data.


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Extending Social Security to All

A guide through challenges and options

This book outlines basic concepts such as the social protection floor and the social security staircase, analyses the affordability of various approaches, and examines the results of practices around the world, especially in low- and middle-income countries. Its second part weighs the pros and cons of conditional cash transfers and, based on a wealth of statistics, argues that effective social transfer programmes not only alleviate poverty, but also improve labour market participation, productivity, nutrition, health care, education, consumption and social inclusion. The overall message is that investment in social protection can benefit poorer countries as well as richer ones, and that even in times of tightened budgets and global economic crisis, the dividends are well worth the expenditure.

World Report on Child Labour 2013

Economic vulnerability, social protection and child labour

This key report from the ILO’s International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour brings together research on child labour, identifying policies that are designed to achieve multiple social goals. It distils a broad range of research in economic and social policy and is of prime interest to those looking for ways to combat poverty in the present and to reduce its burden on the next generation.

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World Report on Child Labour 2015

Paving the way to decent work for young people

Eliminating child labour, while a key policy goal in itself, is also a necessary starting point for achieving decent work for all. This second World Report on Child Labour highlights the close linkages between child labour and good youth employment outcomes, and the consequent need for unified policy approaches. The report presents empirical evidence of how child labour combined with limited education can lead to increased youth vulnerability and greater difficulties for young people in transiting to good jobs. This evidence integrates results from the ILO’s School-to-Work Transition Survey, an unprecedented data collection effort covering 28 low- and middle-income countries around the world.

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International Labour Migration

A rights-based approach

Of particular relevance given current global events, this book offers a comprehensive and accessible overview of international labour migration and the ILO’s efforts to protect migrant workers through a rights-based approach. It gives insights into the factors that motivate people to seek work outside their country of origin and the significant development effects on both origin and destination countries. Exposing the often limited access of migrant workers to their fundamental rights at work, the book describes in detail the international norms that have evolved to protect migrant workers and ensure decent work for all. It reflects on existing and potential international governance structures, addressing the linkages between migration and development, and reviews the role of the ILO’s Multilateral Framework on Labour Migration in improving policy-making and international cooperation.

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Labour Markets, Institutions and Inequality

Building just societies in the 21st century

Edited by Janine Berg

Labour market institutions, including collective bargaining, the regulation of employment contracts, and pension and other social protection policies, are instrumental for improving the well-being of workers and their families as well as societies. Yet these institutions have been eroded in many countries over the past few decades; in other countries, they do not exist. This edited volume examines the potential of these institutions for ensuring equitable income distribution. Using empirical examples from both developed and developing countries, it analyses the connections between macroeconomic policies and inequality as well as how specific groups are affected by labour market institutions. Co-published with Edward Elgar.

The European Social Model in Crisis

Is Europe losing its soul?

Edited by Daniel Vaughan-Whitehead

This book is a timely warning about the weakening of the European Social Model and its possibly devastating future effects. The volume assesses the current situations in EU Member States on the basis of detailed empirical evidence and concrete case studies of the social policies that have been discontinued or altered, distinguishing between recent developments caused by the economic crisis and long-term trends. The alternative options proposed here make the book essential reading for policy-makers, while scholars and researchers of European studies and social policy will find it an invaluable reference. Co-published with Edward Elgar.

After a first series of policy responses to the 2008–09 crisis, most European governments – starting with Greece, Ireland, Bulgaria and Romania, and followed by many others – have since put in place a series of restrictive budgetary policies aimed at reducing their budget deficits. With these new policies, jobs and wages have been cut significantly in the public sector, as have education and training programmes. These reforms have given rise to waves of protest throughout Europe. On the basis of a comparative and comprehensive assessment, illustrated by case studies, this volume seeks to find the right mix of public sector reforms. Co-published with Edward Elgar.

Confronting Finance

Mobilizing the 99% for economic and social progress

*Edited by Nicolas Pons-Vignon and Phumzile Ncube*

“The Global Labour Column has become a valuable source of analysis of current economic trends that affect working people all over the world. This anthology brings together critical pieces on many issues (fiscal strategies, finance policies, social protection, strategies for job creation and much more), encompassing different regions and various perspectives.” – Jayati Ghosh, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, India. The essays in the volume explore Europe’s turmoil and challenge the deeply rooted consequences of neoliberalism in the North and the South.

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Wage-led Growth

An equitable strategy for economic recovery

Edited by Marc Lavoie and Engelbert Stockhammer

This original and extensive study examines the causes and consequences associated with the falling wage share and rising inequality in income distribution, relating to both aggregate demand and labour productivity. It presents new empirical and econometric evidence regarding the economic causes and potential impact of changing income distribution, arguing that distributional shifts in favour of capital and the rise in income inequality have reduced economic growth and increased economic instability. Findings point to the need to rebalance functional income distribution. Co-published with Palgrave Macmillan as part of the Advances in Labour Studies series.

Social Dimensions of Free Trade Agreements

This report, part of the Studies on Growth with Equity series, provides a comprehensive review of all existing trade agreements that include social provisions and discusses impacts for enterprises and workers. It also assesses the challenges arising from the multiplication of trade agreements that include different social provisions.


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Shared Harvests

Agriculture, trade and employment

*Edited by David Cheong, Marion Jansen and Ralf Peters*

Agriculture employs more than a billion people in developing countries, representing 48 per cent of their labour force. This book analyses agricultural trade and labour markets in developing countries, in particular the creation and destruction of jobs in the agricultural sector, discussing national trade policies as well as regional and multilateral trade agreements. It examines how changes in productivity, food security, rural–urban migration, skills and domestic regulation affect the relationship between trade and employment in the agricultural sector. Co-published with UNCTAD.

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Unleashing the Potential for Rural Development through Decent Work

Building on the rural work legacy: 1970s–2011

Loretta de Luca, Marian Fernando, Elise Crunel and Lucy Olivia Smith

Rural areas are home to over 75 per cent of the world’s poorest, and are beset by a series of structural deficits that impede growth and development. The ILO has pioneered a broad range of rural empowerment methods. This publication is a stocktaking exercise examining the approaches, tools, work methods, achievements and shortcomings of the ILO’s rural experience, starting from the heydays of the 1970s. It constitutes a solid base on which to build future initiatives aimed at unleashing the development potential of rural populations and rural economies worldwide.

Learning from Catalysts of Rural Transformation

Loretta de Luca, Hélène Sahy, Saba Joshi and Mayra Cortés

Rural development is a pressing need and high priority in many countries. Numerous dynamic individuals and enterprises around the world have transformed rural settings by stimulating economic and social advancement, creating decent and productive work. This study aims to raise awareness of the existence of these dynamic rural actors and to formulate a support framework for catalysts that national decision-makers and practitioners can use to guide their work.

Resilience in a Downturn

The power of financial cooperatives

Johnston Birchall

This book addresses the historical, statistical, conceptual and policy aspects of financial cooperatives, focusing in particular on cooperatives’ success during the global financial crisis in providing a credible alternative to the investment-owned banking system. It concludes with a set of policy recommendations for governments, development agencies and other policy-makers, for instance using cooperatives not as “conduits” but as partners in the wider aims of business development, insurance against episodic poverty and decent work.


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Can Better Working Conditions Improve the Performance of SMEs?

An international literature review

Richard Croucher, Bianca Stumbitz, Michael Quillan and Ian Vickers

This study reviews the literature on the link between working conditions, safety and health, and skills development on the one hand, and increased productivity on the other, with a specific focus on small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). The authors find evidence of an association between good workplace practices and various types of positive enterprise-level outcomes. Nonetheless, the review highlights that more research is needed to better analyse the complex relationship between working conditions, safety and health, skills development and lasting outcomes.

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A Just Transition for All: Can the past inform the future?

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With the adoption of an ILO resolution on a “just transition for all” in 2013, there is now a need to better define the components of a just transition framework. This issue of the International Journal of Labour Research examines past instances of economic adjustments and restructurings in different regions of the world to draw the lessons learned on the policy front and how they might inform a just transition framework.

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Civilizing Global Value Chains

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This double issue of the International Journal of Labour Research explores the causes for the unequal distribution of wealth along global value chains and analyses mechanisms that can better ensure that the vast wealth the chains generate is more equitably distributed.

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Beyond Macroeconomic Stability

Structural transformation and inclusive development

Edited by Iyanatul Islam and David Kucera

This thought-provoking volume examines three thematic pillars: the limits of conventional macroeconomics; the long-run agenda of structural transformation and the development of capabilities; and inequality and its macroeconomic consequences. Through a combination of country-specific and global evidence as well as macroeconomic modelling and literature surveys, it seeks to answer the question of whether growing inequality in many countries combined with stagnant real incomes was one of the sources of the recent global crisis. Co-published with Palgrave Macmillan as part of the Advances in Labour Studies series.


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Transforming Economies
Making industrial policy work for growth, jobs and development

José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Irmgard Nübler and Richard Kozul-Wright

“This volume is a well-timed and comprehensive guide to how countries have used industrial policy to achieve structural transformation, raise productivity and create jobs. Crucially, the authors go beyond the sterile debate about whether governments ‘pick winners’ and instead draw on a variety of analytical approaches to draw lessons and principles for successful industrial strategies.” – Ha-Joon Chang, University of Cambridge. The book argues that industrial policy involves much more than targeting preferred economic activities, sectors and technologies. Practical lessons and fundamental principles for industrial policy design and implementation are distilled from country case studies. Co-published with UNCTAD.

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The Labour Markets of Emerging Economies

Has growth translated into more and better jobs?

Sandrine Cazes and Sher Verick

This book focuses on the labour market situations, trends and regulations in emerging economies, devoting attention to how they have dealt with both short-term issues, namely the global financial crisis, and longer-term structural challenges – as well as the gaps that still remain. Part I of the volume provides a comparative perspective on labour market trends and the institutional and regulatory environment, referencing a range of countries including China and India. Part II includes in-depth case studies of Brazil, Indonesia, South Africa and Turkey. Co-published with Palgrave Macmillan as part of the Advances in Labour Studies series.

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Rethinking Economic Growth
Towards productive and inclusive Arab societies

This report traces the consequences of the “Arab Spring” for labour markets in the wake of a surge in commodity and energy prices, the impacts of a global recession on public revenues, increased uncertainty for investors, a rise in unemployment and greater demands for social justice. It underlines the need for macro-policy coherence that can enhance productivity and wages as well as expand social protection systems to provide employment and livelihood security. It concludes that economic growth in the next decade hinges on good governance to enable structural and institutional reforms. Co-published by the ILO Regional Office for the Arab States and the UNDP Regional Bureau for Arab States.

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Trade and Employment
From myths to facts
Edited by Marion Jansen, Ralf Peters and José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs

This volume addresses the disconnect between the prominence of trade and employment linkages in the public debate and the relative absence of factual assessments of the employment implications of trade. The book takes stock of the most recent evidence and provides guidance on the design of tools to assess the employment impacts of trade. It argues for strengthening the micro-foundations of models used to evaluate the employment effects of trade and for including the informal economy and adjustment processes in modelling efforts.

Global Employment Trends for Youth 2015

Scaling up investments in decent jobs for youth

Incorporating the most recent labour market information available, *Global Employment Trends for Youth* sets out the youth labour market situation around the world. It shows where progress has or has not been made, updates world and regional youth labour market indicators, and gives detailed analyses of medium-term trends in youth population, labour force, employment and unemployment. The 2015 report presents the first detailed results of the School-to-Work Transition Survey conducted in 28 low- and middle-income countries around the world, analysing the multi-faceted paths young people take from the education system into the labour market.

Also available in French and Spanish
Decent Work, Green Jobs and the Sustainable Economy

Solutions for climate change and sustainable development

Peter Poschen

This book argues that employment that contributes to protecting the environment and reducing humanity’s carbon footprint – green jobs – can be a key economic driver as the world steps into the still largely uncharted territory of building a sustainable and low-carbon global economy. With specific experiences and macroeconomic studies, this book documents that positive outcomes are eminently possible. However, these require a clear understanding of the opportunities and challenges, as well as country-specific policies that integrate environmental, social and decent work elements to ensure a smooth and just transition process. Co-published with Greenleaf Publishing.

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Working Towards Sustainable Development

Opportunities for decent work and social inclusion in a green economy

A green economy is necessary if sustainable development is to be realized. This report demonstrates that employment and social inclusion must be integral parts of any sustainable development strategy and must be included in policies that address climate change and ensure the preservation of the environment. It highlights the necessary conditions, policy prescriptions and good practices required to ensure that the green economy is characterized by gains in job quality, reductions in poverty and improvements in social inclusion. Co-published with UNEP.

This report examines the experiences of 21 developed and developing countries – representing 60 per cent of the world population – in adjusting their training provisions to meet new demands of a greener economy. It shows that successful transitions from old to new, greener industries and occupations will require efficient retraining and skill upgrading. A key element must be training initiatives targeted to segments of the population typically at a disadvantage in the labour market.

To avoid future skill shortages, the report recommends that countries devise strategies based on well-informed policy decisions, social dialogue, and coordination among ministries and between employers and training providers.
Assessing Green Jobs Potential in Developing Countries

A practitioner’s guide

Andrew Jarvis, Adarsh Varma and Justin Ram

Analysis of how a transition to a sustainable, low-carbon economy might affect employment is vital to informing policies that enable a just transition to a green economy. However, to date there are few studies of how to achieve such assessments for developing countries. A key bottleneck is the scarcity of information, particularly employment and production data on green jobs as well as on linkages with the rest of the economy. This book provides practical solutions tailored to the considerations of developing countries that can help fill these information gaps. It adopts a menu approach, providing policy-makers with a range of options that take into account time and resource constraints as well as policy priorities.

Women in Business and Management

Gaining momentum

As women overtake men in education, they are running a third of the world’s businesses. However, women business owners are concentrated in small and micro-businesses, and still only 5 per cent or less of CEOs of the largest global corporations are women. This report brings together available data and ILO statistics to provide a comprehensive, up-to-date and global picture of women in the business world and in management positions. The report highlights the business case for gender diversity and the obstacles women still face as well as ways to move ahead. It advocates for a greater role for national business organizations, which can assist their member companies with putting in place policies and measures to recruit and retain talent.

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Crisis Responses, Competitiveness and Jobs

A lack of competitiveness has been identified by many as the underlying factor behind weak economic growth and high unemployment in Europe. The purpose of this report is to assess the issue of competitiveness in the EU and other advanced and emerging economies and to promote a clearer understanding of its relationship to the crisis and to long-term labour market and social outcomes. Its policy recommendations, which include investments in new technologies, building a skilled productive workforce and improving credit systems, are important for reinforcing competitiveness while maintaining social cohesion in the EU. Part of the Studies on Growth with Equity series.

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An Employment-oriented Investment Strategy for Europe

Against a backdrop of sluggish economic conditions and continued weak job creation, the investment plan proposed by the European Commission President Jean-Claude Juncker would provide a rapid economic stimulus that would foster Europe’s competitiveness at the same time as boosting much-needed employment creation. The main finding of this report is that if careful consideration is given to the design of the programme and its allocation, over 2.1 million net new jobs would be created by mid-2018. Part of the Studies on Growth with Equity series.

Greece

Productive jobs for Greece

After six years of recession, the Greek economy is showing some signs of recovery. Yet, unemployment has reached unprecedented levels, the risk of poverty and social exclusion continues to increase and enterprise investment is too weak to lead to a sustainable employment recovery. Based on an in-depth analysis of the present situation, this report identifies emergency measures to address the most pressing needs of vulnerable groups, notably youth and jobless households. It also shows that a comprehensive strategy, involving action at the European level, would contribute to placing the Greek economy on a sustainable growth path. Part of the Studies on Growth with Equity series.

Spain

Growth with jobs

The Spanish economy has begun to recover from both the global financial crisis of 2008 and the sovereign debt crisis of 2011 and has made some employment gains. However, the recovery remains both incomplete and fragile. Given current trends, it would take at least a decade for the unemployment rate to return to the pre-crisis situation. It is therefore crucial to strengthen the employment recovery in order to ensure sustainable economic growth and avoid a further erosion in social conditions. This report, part of the Studies on Growth with Equity series, points to a number of areas where government and social partners could take action together to solidify these recent gains and build a new path to more and better jobs.

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Creative Labour Regulation

Indeterminacy and protection in an uncertain world

Edited by Deirdre McCann, Sangheon Lee, Patrick Belser, Colin Fenwick, John Howe and Malte Luebker

This volume is an interdisciplinary response to the central contemporary challenges to effective labour regulation. Drawing on contributions by leading experts from the Regulating for Decent Work Network, it offers new ideas for research and policy. The book identifies three central challenges to contemporary labour regulation: intensifying labour market fragmentation; complex interactions between labour market institutions; and obstacles to effective enforcement. International in scope, the volume includes chapters on both advanced economies (Europe and the United States) and the developing world (Argentina, Cambodia, South Africa and Viet Nam). Co-published with Palgrave Macmillan as part of the Advances in Labour Studies series.

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Domestic Workers Across the World

Global and regional statistics and the extent of legal protection

This publication presents national statistics and new global and regional estimates on the number of domestic workers, showing that domestic workers represent a significant share of the labour force worldwide and that domestic work is an important source of wage employment for women, especially in Latin America and Asia. It also examines the extent of inclusion or exclusion of domestic workers from key working conditions laws, in particular how many domestic workers are covered by working time provisions, minimum wage legislation and maternity protection. It concludes with a summary of the main findings and a reflection on the relevance of the newly adopted international standards to extend legal protection to domestic workers.


Also available in Arabic and Russian
Labour Administration in Uncertain Times

Policy, practice and institutions

Edited by Jason Heyes and Ludek Rychly

The global financial crisis has created multiple challenges for governments and national systems of labour administration. This book analyses recent developments in labour administration and national labour policies, focusing primarily on the European countries, Japan and the United States, but also considering the global implications. It charts the development of recent reforms and discusses the challenges and opportunities for governments, ministries of labour, labour inspectors, employer organizations and trade unions. Co-published with Edward Elgar.

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Current challenges brought about by globalization require that labour administrations in Asian countries put into practice well-coordinated and efficient administration systems, including effective labour inspection services. This book sets out the role, functions and organization of labour administration and inspection, highlighting best practices in these areas in a number of Asian countries. It gives a comprehensive overview of the recent changes in Asia and looks at the areas where there is an urgent need of improvement.

Labour Administration Reforms in China

Giuseppe Casale and Changyou Zhu

China has the largest labour market in the world and is undergoing rapid urbanization and industrialization. This timely volume provides a unique and comprehensive overview of the evolution of labour administration in China and details the recent reforms of its legislation and institutions. It gives a clear explanation of the principles and practical workings of labour administration with regard to workplace-specific issues such as occupational safety and health, labour relations and working conditions, as well as in the public employment services, labour inspection and social security services.


Also available in Chinese
The issue of who is or is not in an employment relationship has become problematic in recent decades as a result of major changes in work organization as well as inadequate adaptation of legal regulation. In different parts of the world there are increasing difficulties with establishing whether or not an employment relationship exists in situations where the respective rights and obligations of the parties concerned are not clear, where there has been an attempt to disguise the employment relationship, or where inadequacies or gaps exist in legal frameworks or in their interpretation or application. This book reports on the many terms, notions, definitions, laws and practice in the various regions of the world. Co-published with Hart Publishing.

Towards the Single Employment Contract

Comparative reflections

Giuseppe Casale and Adalberto Perulli

This book examines the concept of the single employment contract, presenting its pros and cons and revealing its inherent contradictions. The authors set out the general framework within which the proposal of a single employment contract has arisen, review the debate on labour market segmentation and the flexibility proposal, and examine the key characteristics of the single employment contract as well as the arguments put forward both for and against it. Case studies show how the idea has been taken up in France, Italy and Spain. The book concludes with a concise review of contractual arrangements in EU labour markets and of possible future projections and developments. Co-published with Hart Publishing.

Labour in the Global South
Challenges and alternatives for workers
Edited by Sarah Mosoetsa and Michelle Williams

“This volume is an exciting contribution to the new field of global labour studies. It identifies in ten clearly written chapters the innovative and creative responses to the challenges facing labour worldwide.” − Edward Webster, University of Kassel and University of the Witwatersrand. Challenging the global North’s dominance in the literature, this book presents alternative approaches as well as creative responses to the challenges facing labour in the South, in countries such as Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, India, South Africa and Uruguay. The volume devotes particular attention to areas often neglected by organized labour: the relationship between ecology, climate change and jobs; unionizing service work; the dynamics of trade union–political party alliances; gender; and new forms of solidarity.

Effective Protection for Domestic Workers

A guide to designing labour laws

This guide is a practical tool for those involved in national legislative processes and in the design of labour laws. With Convention No. 189 as its underlying framework, it provides specific guidelines and complements these with examples drawn from a wide range of existing national labour laws concerning domestic workers. The guide covers a broad range of topics, including alternative approaches to regulating domestic work, the nature and characteristics of domestic work, formalizing the employment relationship, working time, remuneration, fundamental principles and rights at work, protection from abuse and harassment, and protection of migrant domestic workers and child domestic workers.

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The Role of Collective Bargaining in the Global Economy

Negotiating for social justice

Edited by Susan Hayter

“Susan Hayter has put together a first-rate set of authors and chapters on the positive role collective bargaining and employee voice have to play in the global economy of the twenty-first century. Examples from numerous countries illustrate how negotiation and dialogue can lead to a win–win outcome of improved economic performance and enhanced equality and social justice.” – Bruce Kaufman, Georgia State University, USA. Collective bargaining is often seen either as an impediment to the smooth functioning of markets, or as ineffective. This book focuses on the other side of the story. Co-published with Edward Elgar.

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Regulating for Decent Work

New directions in labour market regulation

*Edited by Sangheon Lee and Deirdre McCann*

“Regulating the labour market is a distortion for some, a panacea for others. This book provides the ingredients for those who wish to transcend simple positions. Drawing on empirical, interdisciplinary and comparative perspectives, this unique collection establishes the moral and economic case for regulation, identifies the circumstances that make regulation effective, and reveals the gap between ‘law on the books’ and ‘law in action’. A significant resource for scholars and policy-makers who are engaged in thinking about regulation as part of a just regime market.”

– Guy Mundlak, Tel Aviv University. Co-published with Palgrave Macmillan as part of the Advances in Labour Studies series.

In recent years, many multinational enterprises have adopted corporate codes of conduct with social provisions. Increasingly, they are now signing international framework agreements (IFAs) with global unions representing workers by sector of activity. In addition to regulating labour–management relations across global value chains, these agreements aim to promote compliance with ILO core labour standards. This book assesses the phenomenon of IFAs, examining their impact around the world as well as their effectiveness in fostering labour–management dialogue. Co-published with Palgrave Macmillan as part of the Advances in Labour Studies series.
The Governance of Policy Reforms in Southern Europe and Ireland

Social dialogue actors and institutions in times of crisis

Edited by Konstantinos Papadakis and Youcef Ghellab

This edited volume provides an overview of the changes that have occurred in industrial relations systems in southern Europe and Ireland as a result of the debt crisis and subsequent fiscal consolidation policies. The authors take stock of developments and consider policy implications. They identify the new challenges in today’s crisis context and rapidly changing economic environment, offering a range of strategies and actions aimed at reinforcing social dialogue and industrial relations institutions in ways compatible with international labour standards and the ILO Decent Work Agenda.

Labour Dispute Systems

Guidelines for improved performance

Effective dispute prevention and resolution procedures and mechanisms provide an important underpinning for sound, stable industrial and employment relations. This guide is part of the ILO’s effort to strengthen institutions for the prevention and resolution of labour disputes. It provides advice on the steps to be taken either to revitalize an existing system or to establish an independent institution, so as to ensure that these systems and institutions efficiently provide effective dispute resolution services.


Also available in Albanian, Arabic, Bosnian, Bulgarian, Chinese, Romanian and Russian

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National Tripartite Social Dialogue

An ILO guide for improved governance

The ILO is based on the principle of tripartism, a process of social dialogue that brings together governments, employers and workers to discuss public policies and laws. This guide documents lessons learned and experience gained by the ILO over the years in promoting social dialogue at the country level and in providing policy advice, capacity-building and practical guidance to tripartite constituents globally. It is designed for those who are new to social dialogue, and for those involved in establishing institutions, such as labour advisory councils as well as economic and social councils, who wish to review their operation and increase their impact on policy-making.


Also available in Arabic, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish

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Collective Bargaining

A policy guide

This guide aims to support governments in their efforts to examine their industrial relations systems and to build consensus on, implement and monitor policies that promote collective bargaining for sound, fair and productive labour relations. It provides straightforward guidance on collective bargaining: the parties, the process and how the public authorities can encourage and promote the full development and use of collective bargaining as a tool to regulate terms and conditions of employment in line with relevant international labour standards.

Equal Pay

An introductory guide

Martin Oelz, Shauna Olney and Manuela Tomei

Ensuring that the work done by women and men is valued fairly and ending pay discrimination is essential to achieving gender equality. However, pay inequality continues to persist and gender pay gaps in some instances have stagnated or even increased. As unequal remuneration is a subtle yet chronic problem, it is difficult to overcome without a clear understanding of the principle of equal remuneration for men and women for work of equal value. This guide is an ideal resource for government officials, workers’ and employers’ organizations, policy-makers, practitioners, trainers and others interested in this dynamic and evolving area.

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