

**International Sociological Association**  
**RC44 - Research Committee on Labour Movements (2023-2027)**  
*e-Newsletter June 2024*

For this month's newsletter, please note:

- the *entire backlog* of RC44 Newsletters going back to the 1990s has now been uploaded to our page on the ISA Website – check it out [here!!](#)
- thanks to Sophie Cotton (Univ. of Sydney) for assistance in compiling this month's newsletter.

## **Publications**

### *Books*

Abhinav SINHA (2024) [In the Valley of Historical Time: Towards the History of the Working Class Movement in Delhi](#), *Studies in Political Economy of Global Labor and Work*, v. 4.

Georg BARTHEL (2024) [Amazonismus: Management, Eigensinn und kollektiver Widerstand im digitalen Kapitalismus](#) [Amazonism: Management, obstinacy and collective resistance in digital capitalism], *Internationale Arbeitsstudien*, b. 39, [open access](#)

### *Journal Articles*

#### **Global Labour Journal**

May 2024 (Vol. 15, No. 2)

Editorial: Tribute to the life of Eddie Webster

Contributors: Michael Burawoy, Matan Kaminer, Arif Kosar, Clare Marticorena, Alex Mohubetswane Mashilo, Simon Schaupp, Julia Soul, Stuart Tannock

J. Ryan LAMARE, Richard A. BENTON, and Patricia Michel TABARANI (2024) [An Empirical Analysis of Race and Political Partisanship Effects on Workplace Mobility Patterns During Lockdown, Reopening, and Endemic COVID-19](#), *ILR Review*, online first.

Francesco BAGNARDI, Devi SACCHETTO, and Francesca Alice VIANELLO (2024) [Constructing Mobilities: The Reproduction of Posted Workers' Disposability in the Construction Sector](#), *Work, Employment and Society*, online first.

Bradon ELLEM (2024) [Industrial relations as power, place and time: the case of Queensland coal mining](#), *Labour and Industry*, online first.

Maurizio ATZENI and Lorenzo CINI (2023) [New theories and politics for working class organizing in the gig and precarious world of work](#), *Economic and Industrial Democracy*, online first.

Martin KRZYWDZINSKI, Daniel SCHNEIß, and Andrea SPERLING (2024) [Between control and participation: The politics of algorithmic management](#), *New Technology, Work and Employment*, online first.

Marcel PARET (2024) [Reconstructing Burawoy: Theorizing Migrant Labor, the Politics of Precarity, and Postcolonial/Racial Transformations](#), *Critical Sociology*, online first.

### *Podcast*

**Labour shortages, automation and upskilling in UK food and drink manufacturing**, Centre for Employment Relations, Innovation & Change, Univ. of Leeds, 25 Jun, 2024  
A/Prof Gabriella Alberti and Dr Jo Cutter are joined by Caroline Keohane and Tanya Barringer from the Food and Drink Federation to discuss how the workforce in the UK food and drink sector has been affected since the end of the free movement of labour from the EU – [listen to the podcast here](#).

### *Call for Papers: Special Issues*

*Work and Occupations* **Special Issue: Working for Social Change** [Call for Papers](#).

**Paper Proposal Deadline: 1 September 2024**

500 words around *occupational activism* to be submitted to [vox.special.issue@gmail.com](mailto:vox.special.issue@gmail.com).

See the Call for the full list of invited topics.

*New Technology, Work and Employment* [Call for Papers for a Special Issue ‘Reshaping Work: Disabled People’s Inclusion and Digitalization in the New World of Work’](#)

**Submission Deadline: 31 January 2025**

We welcome informal inquiries related to the Special Issue and the Guest Editors are open to discussing initial ideas for papers and a fit with the SI. Inquiries should be directed to:

Frederike Scholz at HU University of Applied Sciences, email: [frederike.scholz@hu.nl](mailto:frederike.scholz@hu.nl) or

Thomas Bredgaard at Aalborg University, email: [thomas@dps.aau.dk](mailto:thomas@dps.aau.dk)

### *Call for Papers: Conferences*

**American Sociological Association, 30-31 January 2025, online**

Virtual Mini-Conference: [Reimagining the Future of Work](#).

**Submissions due: 11.59pm 11 July 2024 (ET)**

Submit extended abstract (3-5 pages) or full papers (15-35 pages) via [online portal](#).

Sessions include: Theorizing Gendered and Racialized Organizations and Processes;

Reimagining and Recreating Good Jobs, Careers, Companies; Climate and Society; Health

Inequalities and Inclusion; New Approaches to DEI; Bringing DEI into Teaching and Learning.

**44th International Labour Process Conference, 23-25 April 2025, Santiago, Chile**  
[Labour Process and the environmental crisis in a multipolar world](#). Facultad de Economía y Negocios, Universidad Alberto Hurtado.

**Proposals for Special Streams Due: 31 July 2024**

Special streams especially with international collaboration welcome. 750-1200 words to [ilpc2025@uahurtado.cl](mailto:ilpc2025@uahurtado.cl) including: (1) convenors, title, and detailed description; (2) how stream will address topics not normally covered in conference.

**Abstract Submission Deadline: 31 October 2024**

350 words, submitted through [ilpc.org.uk](http://ilpc.org.uk).

### *Announcements*

**Work, Employment & Society Online Series: Meaningful Work in the Digital Economy.**

4-6 September 2024, online, [details online](#)

WES is hosting a series of three interactive online events linked to the theme of meaningful work in the digital economy. Speakers include: Katie Bailey, Knut Laaser, Marjo Lips-Wiersma, Jason Arday, Shoba Arun, Sara Farris, James Farrar, Ursula Haws and Valeria Pulignano.

Read more about the speakers and register your attendance on the [event website](#).

Registration fees: BSA Member £10 • Non-member £15 • BSA Concessionary Member FREE.

For any questions or enquiries, please contact the [BSA Events Team](#).

### *Other announcements*

- (1) Please follow RC44 on our [Twitter/X](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#) pages.
- (2) Readers are **strongly encouraged** to invite colleagues and comrades to join this e-list, including fellow researchers, academics and students of labour, work, employment and labour movements (and related fields), as well as trade unionists, NGO and movement activists, practitioners, etc. It's easy! You can invite them yourself (or, alternatively, tell them to sign up directly by signing up to [googlegroups](#) and searching for 'rc-44', or just email a request to [tom.barnes@acu.edu.au](mailto:tom.barnes@acu.edu.au)).
- (3) Items for the newsletter are encouraged and welcomed, e.g., new or forthcoming publications, upcoming events, calls for papers or abstracts, job posts, links to reports about labour movement activities, or other relevant news/announcements, etc.
- (4) Please **join** or **renew** your [RC44 membership](#) now! The more paid-up members we have, the stronger our voice internationally and within the ISA.

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**In solidarity,**

**Tom, on behalf of the RC44 Board (2023-2027)**

**1 Jul 2024**