



## 12th Global Labour University Conference

**Reincarnation or Death of Neoliberalism? The rise of market authoritarianism and its challenges for labour**

4-6 October 2017, New Delhi, India

Wednesday 4 October 2017	
2:00-2:30	<b>Arrival</b>
2:30-4:30	<b>Welcome by partner Organisations</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Archana Prasad/Praveen Jha (JNU)</li> <li>• Santosh Mehrotra (Centre for Informal Sector and Labour Studies)</li> <li>• Michelle Williams (GLU International Steering Committee)</li> <li>• Mirko Herberg (FES)</li> </ul>
	<b>Keynote talk:</b> Prabhat Patnaik (JNU Emeritus Professor): Reincarnation or Death of Neoliberalism? The rise of market authoritarianism and its challenges for labour: the example of Asia
	<b>Further regional perspectives on new market authoritarianism and its challenges for labour</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Latin America: Kjield Jakobsen (former CUT Brazil)</li> <li>• North America: Mark Anner (Penn State University)</li> <li>• Africa: Crispin Chinguno (University of the Witwatersrand)</li> <li>• Europe: Bilge Pinar Yenigün (ILO, in her own capacity)</li> </ul>
4:30-5:00	Tea break
5:00 – 6:30	<b>Plenary: Moderated panel discussion on the four conference streams</b> Chair: Uma Rani (ILO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tapan Sen (Organisation?): <i>Building Movements against Neoliberalism and Neo-nationalism</i></li> <li>• Apoorva Kaiwar (IndustriALL): <i>Global Supply Chains and Implications for Labour</i></li> <li>• Victor Baez (TUCA): <i>Socially and economically just alternatives</i></li> <li>• Patrick Rüter (FES-India): <i>Changing technology and the world of work</i></li> </ul>
7:30	Dinner

**Thursday 5 October 2017**

	<b>World Economic System and Livelihood Vulnerabilities (1A) Venue 1</b>	<b>Changing World of Work and its Impact on Workers (2A) Venue 2</b>	<b>Trade Unions and Global Supply Chains (3A) Venue 3</b>	<b>Strategies against Neoliberalism (4A) Venue 4</b>
9:00 - 11:00	Srujana Boddu- Vulnerabilities and Insecurities – A look out for alternatives for the adda coolies in Hyderabad	André Martins- A class that no one dares to call by its name: class conflicts and the “new middle class” in Lula da Silva and Dilma Rousseff’s Brazil (2003-2016)	Muttaqa Yushau- Trade Unions Organizing in the Nigerian Telecommunication Industry	David O’Connell -Strategic options before trade unions in organised sector of EU
	Minaketan Behera- Nexus between Climate induced Vulnerability and Migration in India.	Yadu CR- Worker Cooperatives and Labour Centred Development: An Indian Case Study.	Carmen Ludwig/ Hendrik Simon - Building Transnational Solidarity Along the Value Chain: Experiences from a German and South African Union Initiative	Radhika Krishnan -Negotiating Resource Control and Ethnicity in Central India: Issues of Identity, Nationality and Statehood in Imaginations of the Chhattisgarh Mukti Morcha
	Faisal Ahmmed & Ismail Hossain- Marginalization and Labour Vulnerability of Tea Plantation Workers in Bangladesh	Vitor Filgueiras- “What has changed: a new Farewell to the Working Class?”	David Cichon -Wage Bargaining, Worker Organising and Capitalist Hegemony in the Cambodian Garment Industry	Kristian Weise -The 4th Industrial Revolution, Changes in the World of Work and Trade Union Strategies
	Pankaj Soni- Un freedom and Wage gaps for Disabled Persons in India	Gurpreet Singh- Trajectories and Outcomes of Informalisation of Employment in India since the early 1980s	Michael Fichter -Economic Nationalism and Trade Union Responses: The End of Transnationalism?	Yu-Bin Chiu - The Union Organizing Strategies for Workers in Irregular Employment in Taiwan: the Possibilities and Obstacles
	Juçara Portilho& Alexandre Fraga- New Neoliberal Wave - a risk for domestic workers’ new labor rights in Brazil.		Edwin Anisha -Increasing Precarisation, Decreasing Capacities for Collective Action: Reinventing Union Power at the Nodes of Global Production	

	<b>Economic Transformation and Neo-Liberalism (1B) Venue 1</b>	<b>Macro Economies and Changing Landscape of Work (2B) Venue 2</b>	<b>Policy Frameworks for Global Supply Chains (3B) Venue 3</b>	<b>Labour Movements and Resistance (4B) Venue 4</b>
11:30-1:30	Marcelo Schmidt- What is popular power? The rise of market authoritarianism and its consequences for labour under the recent coup in Brazil	Bea Ruoff and Hansjörg Herr- Catch-up strategies not due to but despite globalization	Dev Nathan – GVCs, the Distribution of Knowledge and Labour Regime	Shaibu Bukhari -Rhetoric of Colonialism and Globalisation as defence mechanisms for the normalisation of child labour among fisher folks in a fishing community in Ghana.
	Nicolò Giangrande- The CGIL's interpretation of the Italian economic decline from the introduction of the Euro until the Piano del Lavoro (2002-2013)	Santosh Verma & Ismail- The State and Capital in India and Turkey: A Comparative Perspective	Xingguo Li- Manufacturing Policy Transformation and Innovation of Labor's Skill Development in China	Natália Cindra & Marco Aurélio Santana -Young workers and trade union movement: resistance in a neoliberal's context
	Indira Hiraway- Radical Restructuring of Neo-liberalism for Inclusive Growth.	Rizwanul Islam- Globalization of Production and the World of Work: Is Race to the Bottom Inevitable?	Kyungran Kim - Analysis of industrial relations & globalization strategy, with a focus on Korea's Hyundai Motor	Elaine Hui- (Presentation tbc)
		Xiaoya,Dai- The Impact of Technology Innovation on Chinese labour	Dr. Reingard Zimmer -The Bangladesh Accord as a "model" for new global framework agreements?	Sevcan Sahin -The societal responsibility of the academics and the resistance forms of the trade unions under the Turkish oppressive regime."
		Veasna Nuon- (Presentation tbc)	Rahul Sapkal, Harsh Juneja, K R Shyam Sundar -Global Value Chains and Labour Market Outcomes: Empirical Evidence from BRICS countries	
	1:30 - 2:30	Lunch break		

**Responding to the challenges: Discussion Fora I**

*This will be a space for policy discussions with a short initial input and an opportunity to share ideas about responses to the challenges*

	(1B) Venue 1	(2B) Venue 2	(3B) Venue 3	(4B) Venue 4	(5B) Venue 5	(6B) Venue 6
2:30 - 3:45	<p><b>Trade union strategies against inequality</b> Moderator: Christoph Scherrer (University of Kassel)</p>	<p><b>Deepening South-South and Triangular Cooperation</b> Moderators: Victor Baez (TUCA)/ Anita Amorin (ILO) (tbc)</p>	<p><b>Organizing industrial hubs in the transport sector</b> Moderator: Sangam Tripathi (ITF)</p>	<p><b>The role of purchasing practices in supply chains due diligence</b> Moderator: Tandiwe Gross (ILO)</p>	<p><b>Obtaining rights for Street Vendors: the case of India</b> Moderator: Arbind Singh (NASVI)</p>	<p><b>Organizing strategies in a neo-liberal world: examples from the formal sector</b> Moderator: Amitava Guha (CITU)</p>

**Responding to the challenges: Discussion Fora II**

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	(1B) Venue 1	(2B) Venue 2	(3B) Venue 3	(4B) Venue 4	(5B) Venue 5	(6B) Venue 6
4:00 – 5:15	<p><b>Methodologies for assessing workers’ rights</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Mark Anner (Penn State University)</p>	<p><b>Organising garment workers in global supply chains</b> Moderator: Apoorva Kaiwar (IndustriALL)</p>	<p><b>Strategies for energy democracy, basic services and transport</b> Moderators: Susan Barria (PSI) and Vivek Monteiro (Jaitapur Struggle, CITU)</p>	<p><b>Homeworkers in global supply chains</b> Moderator: Shalini Sinha (WIEGO)</p>	<p><b>Experiences of workers’ cooperatives</b> <b>Moderator:</b> D. Raghunandan (Delhi Science Forum)</p>	<p><b>Social security and labour rights</b> <b>Moderator:</b> Chandan Kumar (Working Peoples Charter)</p>
5:30 – 7:00	<p><b>World Café</b> <i>The world café will provide a space for poster presentations and informal interaction.</i></p>					
7:30	Dinner					

**Friday 6 October 2016**

	<b>Economic Transformation and Neo-Liberalism (1C) Venue 1</b>	<b>Changing Technology and the Implications for Employment (2C) Venue 2</b>	<b>Labour Conditions in Global Supply Chains (3C) Venue 3</b>	<b>Challenges before Labour Movements (4C) Venue 4</b>
	Mingfei Zhao- Structural Transformation Service Growth and Labor Market Adjustment: Evidence from China.	Song Hui- Internet + trade union”: new media technology and innovation with Chinese characteristics.	Karin Astrid Siegmann -Working conditions and collective agency in the tea supply chain: the role of fair trade certification’	Dauda Yunus- Neo-Liberalism and Emerging Labour Relations in ECOWAS Region: Present Trends and Future Challenges
	Saratchand- Some Macro theoretical Foundations of Jobless Growth.	Tobias Schröder- External Crowd working – Options of Influence for Worker Participation	Manish Kumar -Workers in Paddy Value Network: A Case Study of Two Indian States (Punjab and Bihar)	Kathrin Birner & Stefan Dietl -Is blue the new red for workers? – Urgent questions in face of the rise of the German AfD
9:00 - 11:00	Marcelo Manzano and Carlos Salas- What are the lessons to be learned from the current political and economic crisis in Brazil.	Monojyoti Maitra- The Age of Cybertariat and the Labor Question.	Oksana Dutchak -Next-door Relocation without Much Improvement: Garment Done-for-Brands Industry in Ukraine	Laura Carla Moisa Elicabide & Nicolás Alberto Moreno Reyes - Flows and counter flows, two periods of Latin American politics. Argentinian and Brazilian cases
		Padmini Sharma- Understanding Work and Control in Delivery Service of E-Retailing	Dr Lorenza Monaco - Racing to the bottom? Precarisation of employment relations in the Indian and South African Auto industries	Devan Pillay -Trade union revitalization and the prospects of an ‘ecosocialist’ working class politics: the case of South Africa
		Navpreet Kaur & Amanpreet Kaur- Linkage between Irrigation, cropping pattern and employment: A Case Study of Gang Canal Region		
		PN Sankaran- Informality as Exploitation of Traditional Artisans in India: A critique of Neo liberal Perspective.		

	<b>Solidarity and Alternatives to Neo Liberalism (1D) Venue 1</b>	<b>Women, Work and Employment (2D) Venue 2</b>	<b>Global Supply Chains and Workers' Conditions (3D) Venue 3</b>	<b>Workers' Movement in the Changing Economies (4D) Venue 4</b>
11:30 - 1:30	Michelle Williams & Vikas Satgar- 'Transformative Politics and the Solidarity Economy'	Sona Mitra- Breaking occupational segregations or merely readjusting traditional patterns? An empirical study of urban women workers in India under neo-liberalism.	Mark Anner -The Impact of the Sourcing Squeeze on Workers' Rights in Global Supply Chains: Analyzing the Evidence using the Labour Rights Indicators	Luis Campos -The importance of migrant workers in 21st Century: if trade unions don't take them into account, then Mr. Trump will do it
	Bonn Juego- Authoritarian Neoliberalism and the Conditions of Precarity: Rethinking Strategies for Socio-Economic Development and Labour Union Solidarity.	Sujata Soy- Women, Labour and Technology in Coal Mines: A Case Study of the Impact on Local Economy of Korba District (Chhattisgarh)	Niyanthini Kadirgamar -Export Processing Zones, Economic Liberalisation and the Impact on Labour in Sri Lanka	Edward Webster -Re-building the trade union movement through Power Resources.
	Rahul Sirohi- Alternative Paths to Neoliberalism: A Comparison of India and Brazil	Özge and Bilge- Syrian Women in Working Life: Slavery or Emancipation?	Nicolas Pons-Vignon -Does subcontracting create dynamic entrepreneurs or exploited workers? Remarks from a South African case study	Neva Loew -Illegalized Migrants and Trade Unions: a Strike in Paris
	Ravi Tripathi- Labour Market during Crisis: Questioning the "German Model"	Christa Wichterich- Market Authoritarianism and Care Extractivism.	Uma Rani and Marianne Furrera- Interest of Global Capital and Workers in Gig Economy	Ahilan Kadirgamar-(tbc)
	Bognani Tshabalala - (tbc)			Ana Paula Melli and Clair Siobhan Ruppert - (tbc)
	1:30- 2:30	Lunch break		
2:30- 4:00	<b>Plenary: moderated panel discussion</b> <i>This panel will be composed of four commentators who have followed the respective work streams to share their thoughts on the key ideas</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Martina Sproll on <i>Changing technology and the world of work</i></li> <li>• Mike Fichter on <i>GSC and Implications for Labour</i></li> <li>• Clair Ruppert on <i>Building Movements against Neoliberalism and Neo-nationalism</i></li> <li>• Jayati Ghosh on <i>Socially and economically just alternatives</i></li> </ul>			
4:00- 4:30	Tea break			
4:30- 5:00	Feedback and Closing Remarks			
5:00- 6:30	Second Godbole Memorial Lecture by Dr. Frank Hoffer			
6:30	Dinner			