



Labour  
Movements

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

## **Publications**

### ***Book***

Ben BECKETT, Kari LYDERSEN, Robert OVETZ, Kevin VAN METER and the *Dollars & Sense* Collective (2024) [\*Real World Labor\*](#) 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, Dollars & Sense Collective  
(To register for the launch of the 4<sup>th</sup> edition, see the announcement below.)

### ***Book Chapters***

Andreas BIELER and Adam David MORTON (2024) 'Reframing the Geopolitics of Global Capitalism', in Greg Albo (ed.) [\*Socialist Register 2024: A New Global Geometry?\*](#) New York: Monthly Review Press, pp. 82-104.

### ***Journal Articles***

#### **Global Labour Journal**

**New issue out now!!**

January 2024 (Vol. 15, No. 1)

*Contributors:* Jörg Nowak, Felix Syrovatka, William Tilleczek, Sarah Waters, Tom Barnes, Jannis Eicker, *plus the Editors*

Jenny CHAN (2023) [Class, labour conflict and workers' organization](#). *Economic and Labour Relations Review* 34(3): 383-394.

*We recirculate this paper from Jenny Chan which was recently announced by the ELRR as its article of the month for April 2024. According to the journal, 'Chan and her colleagues seek to conceptualise labour conflict and collective action in broader class analysis, and to examine the combined effect of state policies, migration, and digital innovation on contemporary labour politics. We highly recommend the work!' Congratulations Jenny!*

Andreas BIELER and Adam David MORTON (2024) 'The Dialectical Matrix of Class, Gender, Race', *Environment and Planning F*, online first: <https://doi.org/10.1177/26349825241241303>.

Kim SCIPES (2024) '[Building Global Labor Solidarity: Where we are today](#)' *Class, Race and Corporate Power* 12(1), April.

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

Nicola PIPER and Vani SARASWATHI (2024) [Advancing the labour rights of migrant workers beyond Kafala: The impact of ‘established-outsider relations’ on reforming Qatar’s transnational labour management system](#). *Work in the Global Economy* Online First.

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.

Matthew COLE (2023) [\(Infra\)structural Discontinuity: Capital, Labour, and Technological Change](#). *Antipode*, 55: 348-372.

### **Reviews**

Kim SCIPES (2024) ‘[Jason Hickel's Less is More: How Degrowth Will Save the World](#)’ *Z Network*. 21 March.

Kim SCIPES (2023) ‘[Review of Adam Aron's The Climate Crisis: Science, Impacts, Policy, Psychology, Justice, Social Movements](#)’ *Z Network*. 26 December.

### **Call for Papers: Special Issues**

*Economic and Labour Relations Review (ELRR)* [Call for Papers for forthcoming Special Issue on ‘Gender and Work: Emerging Issues’](#).

**Deadline for submission of provisional abstracts: 15 May 2024.** Potential authors are encouraged to consult the guest editors early in the planning stage. A mid-year Zoom workshop is planned for authors whose proposed papers that appear to fit well into the Themed Collection. Deadline for submission of full papers for inclusion in June 2025 collection will be 1 Nov 2024. The purpose of this call for papers is to assemble a stock take, assessing progress towards gender equality in work, paid and unpaid, formal and informal. Sustainable Development Goals 5 and 8, formulated pre-COVID as part of a program for the decade 2020–2030, identify gender equality as a ‘necessary foundation for a peaceful, prosperous and sustainable world’. Yet four years into the decade, the world confronts ongoing pandemic threats, a need of ever-increasing urgency to forestall climate catastrophe, and devastating human rights consequences of new wars, political repression and forced migration. The majority of the world’s women are working in the informal economy. Is there room for hope? How are obstacles to gender equity in work being confronted, and how effectively?

*Social Movement Studies* [Call for Abstracts for forthcoming Special Issue on ‘New Insights into Global Labour: Movement strategy and mobilization in the context of crisis.’](#)

**Deadline of submission for abstracts: 1 June 2024.** The editors (Katrin Uba, Uppsala University & Elizabeth Humphrys, University of Technology Sydney) welcome theoretically

informed empirical analysis and encourage the use of comparative and innovative methods, unique empirical material, and historical and contemporary cases worldwide. Potentially exciting topics could be related, but are certainly not limited, to: Labour movements' coalition building and protest strategies concerning migration; First Nations workers movements / First Nations workers in movements; Efforts to address climate adaptation and environmental issues; Organising through the pandemic; Organising in the context of rising populist and radical right parties; Gig workers and the platform economy; Biographical, economic, and political consequences of labour activism.

### *News and announcements*

(1) The January-April newsletter of the Global Labour University (GLU) is out now, including information about the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the GLU. For more information, visit [this link](#).

(2) Labour researchers, activists and organisers are invited to the launch of the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of *Real World Labor* (see listing above) on Monday 6 May 2024, 8pm EST (5pm PST). Review copies can be made available to labour educators. To register, please visit [this link](#).

(3) Well-known US labour movement activist and thinker, Jane McAlevey, posted some sad news about her personal health crisis recently. For more information, please [visit her website](#).

(4) Please follow RC44 on our [Twitter/X](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#) pages.

(5) 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)).

(6) 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.

(7) Please **join** or **renew** your [RC44 membership](#) now! The more paid-up members we have, the stronger our voice internationally and within the ISA.

---

#### [RC44 Board \(2023–2027\)](#)

**Michele Ford**, *President*

**Jörg Nowak**, *Vice-President for Programme*

**Tom Barnes**, *Vice-President for Communications*

**Cirila Quintero Ramírez**, *Secretary*

**Marcel Paret**, *Treasurer*

**Mateus Mendonça**, *Board member at-large*

**Lutfun Nahar Lata**, *Board member at-large*

**Pablo Pérez Ahumada**, *Board member at-large*

**Thabang Sefalafala**, *Africa Regional Representative*  
**Neethi P**, *Asia Regional Representative*  
**Michael Gillan**, *Australia-New Zealand-Oceania Regional Representative*  
**Mateusz Karolak**, *Central/Eastern Europe Regional Representative*  
**Isil Erdinc**, *Western Europe Regional Representative*  
**Clara Marticorena**, *Latin America Regional Representative*  
**Barry Eidlin**, *North America Regional Representative*

[RC44 Newsletter & RC44 Webpage](#)  
Managed by **Tom Barnes**

[RC44 Facebook](#)  
Moderated by **Tom Barnes**

[RC44 Twitter @LabourRc44](#)  
<https://twitter.com/LabourRc44>

*Global Labour Journal*

Editors: **Maurizio Atzeni**, **Elena Baglioni**, **Teri Caraway**, **Neethi P.**, **Nicolas Pons-Vignon**, **Ben Scully**  
Reviews Editor: **Omar Manky Bonilla**  
Managing Editor: **Claire Ceruti**  
Social Media Coordinator: **Christopher Raymond**  
Consulting Editor: **Robert O'Brien**

---

**In solidarity,**

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

**1 May 2024**