



Ten Years of Labour & Law Issues: A First Assessment and Future Perspectives

Labour & Law Issues has reached the milestone of its first ten years of activity. Since its launch, the Journal has served as a space for critical in-depth analysis and open discussion on labor issues in the digital economy, combining multiple disciplines and a comparative perspective. In a landscape overflowing with information and crowded with narratives about the digital present, it has sought to look in-depth and grasp the richness and diversity of the immaterial era through a reflection supported by theoretical effort.

Over the decade, the Journal has observed and interpreted the significant transformations of labor law and its historical categories: the emergence of new forms of employment in the gig economy, the growing impact of technology and the evolution of professional identities, the conquest of the labor market by digital platforms, the development of artificial intelligence and the rapid race of Gen-AI, and the redefinition of rights within neural networks.

While primarily hosting contributions in Italian, which better aligns with the roots of labor law in the Italian legal tradition, it has also made publications available in English and Spanish with the aim of disseminating scientific work beyond national borders.

The choice, ahead of its time, to adopt an exclusively online and open-access format has proven effective, facilitating easy access to the Journal via all digital devices. This editorial model has enabled widespread and unfiltered use, thus promoting the circulation of ideas among jurists and legal practitioners.

Looking to the future, the Journal intends to reaffirm its commitment. Topics such as the sustainability of digital work, the transformative impact of technology in business, social inclusion, and the adaptation of personal protection systems in the digital economy require careful analysis, a relevant legal discourse, and a strong contribution of thought to understand their complexity. Labour & Law Issues will continue to pursue the goals that have characterized its first ten years, offering readers a qualified observatory, a theoretical approach, and an openness to debate.

The journey of the Journal has been made possible thanks to the authors who chose this venue to present their research, the reviewers who ensured the scientific quality of the publications, the constant work of the Scientific Committee and the Editorial Board, and the support of AlmaDL Journals at the University of Bologna.

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The Editor in Chief