

International Conference Labor Rights in the 21st Century

Official Agenda

Opening

Conference Center of the City of Montevideo
Salón Azul – Blue Room

Hour	Activities
9:00 – 9:30	Opening Ceremony Minister Juan Castillo Ministry of Labor and Social Security Antonella Torelli, M.A. Director/Human Rights City of Montevideo Language: Spanish
9:30 – 10:00	Senator Óscar Andrade Communist Party of Uruguay (PCU) (Uruguay) Workers' Struggles and Union Organization Language: Spanish
10:00 – 10:40	Event 1 Senator José Nunes Socialist Party (Uruguay) The bill/law that establishes the obligation for employers to justify dismissals. Language: Spanish
10:40 – 12:00	Event 2 Dr. Vilecia Berghouti Palestinian Journalist (Palestine) Michigan State University (USA) The occupied laborers' in Israel and the colonial approaches of exploitation and impoverishment. Language: English with Spanish translation
12:00 – 13:15	Event 3 Charles King, M.A. Housing Works, New York City (USA) Labor Rights of Homeless people and the Homeless Bill of Rights. Language: Spanish
13:15 – 14:30	Event 4 Kenya Johnson, M.A. Morgan State University (USA) Erasing the margins: A black feminist-womanist labor governance model. Language: English with Spanish translation

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Salón Rojo – Red Room

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10:00 – 11:30	Event 5 Dr. Thiago Aguiar Universidade de Campinas – Unicamp (Brazil) Profits, strikes and wages: the unification of the big bourgeoisie around the approval of the labor reform Brazil 2017. Language: Spanish Dr. Federico Traversa UDELAR (Uruguay) The Union initiative for wealth taxation in Uruguay (2025) and the limits of structural power in the democratic debate. Language: Spanish
11:40 – 13:10	Event 6 Dr. Ana Laura Fernández Universidad Nacional de General Sarmiento (UNGS) (Argentina) Dr. Mariana González FLACSO-CONICET y CIFRA-CTA (Argentina) Labor reforms in Argentina. Continuities and ruptures in the last 50 years. Language: Spanish Dr. Rosina Rossi UDELAR (Universidad de la República) (Uruguay) The right to be dismissed for just cause from the perspective of a sentence issued by a body of the State justice system. Language: Spanish
13:20 – 15:00	Event 7 Dr. Robert Ovetz San Jose State University (USA) 15 theses on the US workers movement in the US Empire. Language: English with Spanish translation Dr. César Rosado – Virtual presentation University of Iowa (USA) A minimum threshold of dignity: social capital, symbolic capital and the moral economy of alt-labor and workers' centers in the USA. Language: Spanish

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Salón Dorado – Gold Room

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10:00 – 11:30	Event 8 Dr. Agustín Vázquez – Virtual presentation UAM Xochimilco (Mexico) Proudhon's living wage and the critique of political fetishism. Language: Spanish Dr. Hubert Hieke Schiller International University Heidelberg (Germany) Job-guarantee and minimum wage – A solution to unemployment and poverty? Language: English with Spanish translation
11:40 – 13:10	Event 9 Dr. Jenny Chan Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Hong Kong, China) Realizing decent work for platform food delivery workers in China. Language: English with Spanish translation Matteo Barrelia, M.A. – Presentación virtual Università di Genova (Italy) From informality to solidarity: Workers organizing across global supply chains. Language: Italian with Spanish translation
13:20 – 15:00	Event 10 M.A. Andrea Taborri Università per Stranieri di Perugia (Italy) Mercosur in the new world order: implications for the use of the free trade agreement with the European Union. Language: Spanish Christopher Sorio, M.A. – Virtual presentation York University (Canada) Hybrid unionism: tactics and strategies for worker organizing in contemporary capitalism. Language: English with Spanish translation

Presentations About The Digital Economy

Espacio Colabora **Sala D**

Hour	Activities
11:00 – 12:30	Event 11 Alexandre Guelerman, M.A. University of Wisconsin-Madison (USA) Digitizing labor unrest: Heterogeneous effects of digital communication on strike frequency in Brazil. Language: English with Spanish translation Professor Sergio Gamonal Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez (Chile) Labor law and AI: disputed narratives and proposals for the future. Language: Spanish
12:40 – 14:10	Event 12 Dr. Vitalina Butkaliuk Independent Researcher (Russia) AI: New challenges for labour and social justice in the age of Digital Capitalism. Language: English with Spanish translation Dr. Paula González – Virtual presentation Universidad Complutense Madrid (Spain) AI and creative work: labor transformation and regulation in the Spanish audiovisual sector. Language: Spanish
14:20 – 15:50	Event 13 Dr. Camila Abagaro UAM Xochimilco (Mexico) Transformations in the contemporary world of work: job insecurity and its repercussions on the health of workers in Latin America. Language: Spanish Armando Morales, M.A. UAM Xochimilco (Mexico) Protection of labor rights or reconfiguration of outsourcing? A critique of the subcontracting reform in Mexico 2021-2025. Language: Spanish
16:00 – 17:00	Event 14 Phiwokazi Qoza, M.A. University of Cape Town (South Africa) Labouring on digital sexual spaces: experiences of South African OnlyFans creators. Language: English with Spanish translation
17:00 – 18:00/18:30	Event 15 Round Table Discussion Feminism and Labor Rights with Senator Lilián Abracinskas, Beatriz Ramírez Abella, Sandra Perdomo and more. Language: Spanish
18:30 – 19:00	Closing Ceremony

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11:00 – 12:30	Event 16 Dr. Marina Kabat CONICET, Universidad de Buenos Aires (Argentina) Transnational remote working in Latin America: Scope of the phenomenon and challenges for its regulation. Language: Spanish Murat Aybars Tunca, M.A. Bilkent University (Türkiye) Workplace fissuring and the platformization of care: rethinking labor institutions and international standards. Language: English with Spanish translation
12:40 – 14:10	Event 17 Dr. Iris Velasco – Virtual presentation UNAM (Mexico) Labor rights in digital food delivery platforms: advances and structural limitations in Mexico. Language: Spanish Dr. Yongqian Tu Renmin University (China) Platform employment and labor rights protection in China: Institutional tensions, judicial responses, and governance pathways. Language: English with Spanish translation
14:20 – 15:50	Event 18 Dr. Badrinath Rao Kettering University (USA) New technologies, neoliberalism, and the regulation of labor. Implications for international law. Language: English with Spanish translation Adrian Gustavo Choren, M.A. Asociación de Trabajadores del Estado (ATE) y UTN (Argentina) The urgency of Labor Anthroposoveryship: The redesign of international agreements in the face of Digital Taylorism and the algorithmic “boss”. Language: Spanish
16:00 – 17:00	Event 19 Presentation of the Cuesta Duarte Institute
17:00 – 18:00/18:30	Event 20 Round Table Discussion Union Organizing and Workers’ Struggles with Eduardo (Lalo) Fernández, Pablo Pirez, Julián Cabrera, and more Language: Spanish

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17:00 – 18:00/18:30	Event 21 Round Table Discussion Labor Rights of Vulnerable Groups Language: Spanish