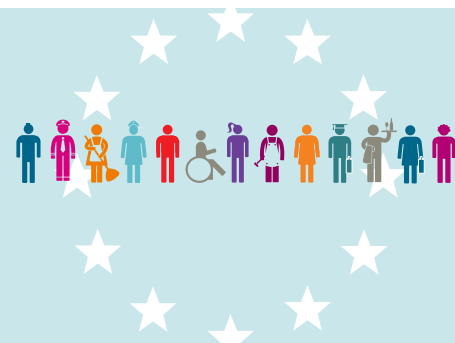


WSI AUTUM FORUM

Social Rights in Europe: Expanding, strengthening and implementing
social rights in Europe



29/30 November 2017, Berlin

PROGRAMME

Wednesday, November 29th

14:00 **Welcome**
Prof. Dr. Anke Hassel, WSI, Hans Böckler Foundation,
Düsseldorf
Plenary lecture: Social rights in Europe*
Prof. Dr. Florian Rödl, Freie Universität Berlin

15:15 **Panel 1:**
Social rights of the self-employed
**Social rights of the solo self-employed in
Germany and Europe**
PD Dr. Karin Schulze Buschoff, WSI, Hans Böckler
Foundation, Düsseldorf
Income protection for the self-employed
Dr. Thomas Klebe, Hugo Sinzheimer Institute (HSI),
Frankfurt/Main
Interest representation of own-account workers
Dr. Lisa Abbenhardt/Prof. Dr. Hans J. Pongratz,
Ludwig-Maximilian Universität München

Chair:
Christina Schildmann, Hans Böckler Foundation,
Düsseldorf

Panel 2:
Living Wages – the right to a fair wage*

**The right to a fair wage as a fundamental
European right**

Prof. Dr. Reingard Zimmer, Berlin School of Economics
and Law

**Living Wage Movement – experiences from
Great Britain**

Graham Griffiths, Living Wage Foundation, London

Living Wage – even in Germany?

Prof. Dr. Thorsten Schulten, WSI, Hans Böckler
Foundation, Düsseldorf

Chair:
Malte Lübker, WSI, Hans Böckler Foundation, Düsseldorf

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Panel 3:

The European Pillar of Social Rights – new approaches to the regulation of labour?

The European Pillar of Social Rights – content, open questions, criticism

Dr. Daniel Seikel, WSI, Hans Böckler Foundation, Düsseldorf

Questions about working time/work-life balance as an integral part of the European Pillar of Social Rights

Dr. Marta Böning, German Trade Union Confederation (DGB), Berlin

Healthy work and proper workplace safety in Europe?

Markus Leßmann, Ministry of Labour, Health and Social Affairs of North Rhine-Westphalia

Chair:

Dr. Elke Ahlers, WSI, Hans Böckler Foundation, Düsseldorf

16:45 **Coffee break**

17:15 **Panel discussion: Social rights – do we need to expand and better enforce them?***

Susanne Hoffmann, Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs (BMAS), Berlin

Peter Scherrer, European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC), Brussels

Dr. Oliver Stettes, Cologne Institute for Economic Research (IW)

Dr. Johannes Heuschmid, Hugo Sinzheimer Institute (HSI), Frankfurt/Main

Chair:

Tom Hegermann, journalist

19:00 **Dinner**

PROGRAMME

Thursday, November 30th

09:00 **Keynote**

Efi Achtsioglou, Minister of Labour, Social Security & Social Solidarity, Greece*

Chair:

Peter Voigt, Mining, Chemical and Energy Industrial Union (IG BCE), Hannover

10:00 **Panel 4:**

Basic Social Security: Challenges in Germany and Europe

Unemployment benefits II: Selected results from SGB II research

Dr. Philip Ramos Lobato, Institute for Employment Research (IAB), Nürnberg

The pension supplements in old age and in the event of reduced earning capacity – empirical and political developments

Dr. Florian Blank, WSI, Hans Böckler Foundation, Düsseldorf

Access of EU citizens to basic social security: Court judgements and current developments

Prof. Dr. Stamatia Devetzi, Fulda University of Applied Sciences

Chair:

Dr. Anita Tiefensee, WSI, Hans Böckler Foundation, Düsseldorf

Panel 5:

Improving the enforcement of employee rights and tightening sanctions in German labour law

Problems of enforcement in German labour law

Prof. Dr. Jens Schubert, United Services Trade Union (ver.di), Berlin

More pressure from above? Debates about enforcement mechanisms and sanctions at EU level

Wiebke Warneck, European Trade Union Confederation (ETUC), Brussels

New actor networks for legal enforcement?

Birgit Kraemer, WSI, Hans Böckler Foundation, Düsseldorf

Panel 6:

Enforcement of co-determination rights in global value chains*

Co-determination in multinational enterprises: The problem of interest articulation

Dr. Sophie Rosenbohm, Institute for Work, Skills and Training (IAQ), Duisburg

International framework agreements: the cornerstone of a global arena of industrial relations?

Prof. Dr. Markus Helfen, Freie Universität Berlin

Representation of interests in transnational value chains:

the case of the automotive supply industry

PD Dr. Martin Krzywdzinski, WZB Berlin Social Science Centre

Chair:

PD Dr. Martin Behrens, WSI, Hans Böckler Foundation, Düsseldorf

11:45 **Coffee break**

12:15 **Debate:**

Social investment versus unconditional basic income*

Dr. Bruno Palier, SciencesPo, Paris

Prof. Dr. Yannick Vanderborght, Université Saint-Louis, Brussels

Chair:

Prof. Dr. Anke Hassel, WSI, Hans Böckler Foundation, Düsseldorf

14:00 **Lunch and end of the event**

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