

Anything new under the sun? Highlights from and reflections on ELHN-related publications

A Roundtable Across Working Groups

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Four clusters* of publications

Uncommon Europes

Varieties of coercion

Re-thinking work and labour

Gender history

** Many of the publications presented speak to more than one cluster; and (of course) the clusters could have been constructed altogether differently.*

Three questions

- Highlights in terms of new approaches, concepts and findings in the publication cluster you are presenting? (Don't be afraid of selectivity)
- Connections between the recent publications you reviewed, and larger critical traditions in social history (such as, e.g., post- and decolonial approaches, world system approaches, feminist approaches, and so on)?
- Major problem zones of the publications you reviewed, and the way forward?

Uncommon Europes

Discussant: Ad Knotter

- Rory Archer, Sara Bernard and Yannis G.S. Papadopoulos (eds). Special Issue: “The Cold War of Labour Migrants: Opportunities, Struggles and Adaptations Across the Iron Curtain and Beyond.” *Labor History* 64 (2023) 4.
- José Joaquín García Gómez, Ángel Pascual Martínez Soto and Miguel Á. Pérez de Perceva (eds). Special Issue: “Social and Environmental Effects of Mining in Southern Europe”. *Áreas. Revista Internacional de Ciencias Sociales* (2022) 43.
- Vilhelm Vilhelmsson, Johan Heinsen and Hanne Østhus (eds). Special Issue: “Labour and Coercion in the Nordic region in the Early Modern Period: Connections, Ambiguities, Practices.” *Scandinavian Journal of History* 48 (2023) 5.
- Jane Whittle and Thijs Lambrecht (eds). *Labour Laws in Preindustrial Europe: The Coercion and Regulation of Wage Labour, c.1350-1850*. Boydell Press 2023.

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Discussant: Teresa Petrik

- Anamarija Batista, Viola Müller and Corinna Peres (eds). *Coercion and Wage Labour: Exploring Work Relations through History and Art*. UCL Press 2023.
- Claudia Bernardi, Viola Müller, Biljana Stojić and Vilhelm Vilhelmsson (eds). *Moving Workers: Historical Perspectives on Labour, Coercion and Im/Mobilities*. De Gruyter 2023.
- Damian A. Pargas and Juliane Schiel (eds). *The Palgrave Handbook of Global Slavery throughout History*. Palgrave Macmillan 2023.
- Christian G. De Vito and Adam S. Fagbore (eds). Special Issue: “Punishing Workers, Managing Labour.” *International Review of Social History* 68 (2023) S31.
- Christian G. De Vito and Viola Müller (eds). Special Issue: “Punishing the Enslaved: Slavery, Labor, and Punitive Practices in the Americas, 1760s–1880s.” *Journal of Global Slavery* 7(2022) 1-2.

Re-thinking work and labour

Discussant: Leda Papastefanaki

- Claudia Bernardi, Amal Shahid and Müge Telci Özbek (eds). Special Issue: “Exploring Labor Coercion through Im/Mobility and the Environment, 18th-20th centuries.” *Labor History* (2023)
- Claude Chevaleyre and Juliane Schiel (eds). Special Issue: “Work Semantics.” *Österreichische Zeitschrift für Geschichtswissenschaft/Austrian Journal of Historical Studies* 34 (2023) 2
- Irene Diaz, Ruben Vega (eds). *Desindustrialización: memoria, patrimonio y representaciones*. Ediciones Trea 2022. [*Deindustrialization: memory, heritage and representations* (Ediciones de la Universidad de Oviedo, forthcoming 2024)]
- Stefan Moitra, Katarzyna Nogueira (eds). Special Issue: “(Post-)Industrial Memories. Oral History and Structural Change.” *BIOS* 31 (2018) 2 [published in 2021]
- Paola Revilla Orías, Paulo Cruz Terra and Christian G. De Vito (eds). *Worlds of Labour in Latin America*. De Gruyter 2022

Gender history

Discussant: Manuela Martini

- Görkem Akgöz and Bridget Kenny (eds). Special Issue: “Productive Hierarchies in Global Perspectives: Gendered Skill, Labor Control, and Workplace Politics”. *International Labor and Working Class History* 103 (2023) Fall.
- Eloisa Betti, Leda Papastefanaki, Marica Tolomelli and Susan Zimmermann (eds). *Women, Work, and Activism. Chapters of an Inclusive History of Labor in the Long Twentieth Century*. CEU Press 2022.
- Julia Heinemann, Christine de Matos, Fia Sundevall and Anders Ahlbäck (eds). Special Issue: “Gender War and Coerced Labor.” *Labor History* 64 (2023) 3.
- Beatrice Zucca Micheletto (ed.). *Gender and Migration in Historical Perspective: Institutions, Labour and Social Networks, 16th to 20th Centuries*. Palgrave 2022.

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