

Workshop Labour Rights, Working Conditions and Workers' Participation in Domestic and Global Supply Chains

Tuesday

July 5th, 2022

10:30-18:30

Tel Hai Academic College, East Campus, room 2318

Human trafficking and other severe forms of labour market exploitation are considered to be some of the major social and moral challenges of our times. Global supply chains are a crucial factor in deepening workers' exploitation and pose a key challenge in crafting solutions, since the physical and legal distance between corporate headquarters and workers at the bottom of supply chains, conceal workers' exploitation from the public (and possibly also the corporate) 'eye'. The workshop aims to explore ways to increase workers' rights in domestic and global supply chains through the action of the state, workers' organizations, civil society and consumers, while engaging with suppliers and corporations. The event brings together leading scholars, practitioners and activists, to discuss the structural conditions that can enable effective labour standard setting and workers' rights.

Organizing Committee: Tamar Barkay, Tel Hai Academic College; Noa Levy, Tel Hai Academic College, Hila Shamir Tel Aviv University, PI TraffLab (ERC)

The event is free and open to the public

- 10:30 Welcome and introduction of the Anti-Trafficking Chains research project**
Tamar Barkay, Tel Hai Academic College
- 11:00 Roundtable 1: *Models of workers' involvement in securing decent working conditions in product and labour supply chains - Worker Driven Social Responsibility and beyond***
Setting the Stage: Hila Shamir, Tel Aviv University, PI TraffLab (ERC)
Roundtable participants: Alexander Trautrim, Nottingham University Business School and Rights Lab; Guy Mundlak, Tel Aviv University; Assaf Bondy, Tel Aviv and Haifa Universities; Maya Peretz, Power to the Workers (Koah LaOvdim); Amani Keadan, Cleaning Cooperative
- 12:30 Lunch**
- 13:30 Roundtable 2: *Workers' Rights Enforcement Mechanisms – How can workers at the bottom of supply chains take an active part in the creation and enforcement of decent working standards? Unions, workers centers, and beyond***
Setting the Stage: Janice Fine, Rutgers School of Management and Labor Relations
Moderator: Noa Levy, Tel Hai Academic College
Roundtable participants: Gadi Nissim, Ruppin Academic Center; Ami Vaturi, Power to the Workers (Koah LaOvdim); Aya Bartenstein, Ma'an; Diana Baron Worker's Hotline (Kav La'Oved); Inbar Pappo, Meshanim Matzav (Worker Centers)
- 15:00 Coffee break**
- 15:30 Roundtable 3: *Fair Trade Certification in Agriculture in Israel - Potential and limits***
Setting the stage: Tamar Barkay, Tel Hai Academic College
Roundtable participants: Raz Frogel, Fair Trade Israel; Yahel Kurlander, Tel Hai Academic College; Hanan Zoabi Manadreh, Sindyanna of Galilee; Orit Ronen, Worker's Hotline (Kav La'Oved)
- 17:30 Dinner**