

**Nordic Network of Labour Law Scholars**  
**NNLLS2 – Helsinki 2022 (hybrid)**



UNIVERSITY OF  
EASTERN FINLAND

**31 March- 1 April 2022**  
**@ Futurum, Hanken - Helsinki**  
**& on Zoom**

### **Call for Abstracts**

The second NNLLS conference, under the theme *The new age of control and surveillance in labour law*, will take place on 31<sup>st</sup> of March and 1<sup>st</sup> of April in a hybrid form: in presence at Hanken in Helsinki, Finland as well as online on Zoom. We would be more than delighted to see you in person but, due to current situation, online participation via Zoom will be possible indeed.

The conference is hosted by the Labour Law Group from School of Law, University of Eastern Finland.

The theme of the conference is inspired by multiplications of worker-status. As has been noted in research on precarious work, this change seems to require both rethinking and reframing the basic ideas in Nordic labour law. At the same time, control and surveillance takes new forms. Remote work, algorithms, privacy issues, power of the customers and consumers produce novel problems of control and surveillance. Furthermore, Covid 19 has exposed the fragile nature of the safety network of especially atypical workers and shed light to the diversification and discrimination at work. While these questions have been on the agenda for quite some time, they remain important. We look forward to addressing some of these important questions. Keynotes are Mia Eklund, who will present perspectives on the possibility to nationally provide for more specific rules on employee privacy (Article 88 of the GDPR) in light of the Finnish national employee privacy legislation, and Susanna Lindroos-Hovinheimo, who will introduce reflections on the EU whistle-blower directive and control.

In addition to this first part of the conference, the program of the second day will allow for presentations and discussions of research ideas or projects **on any topic**.

Contributions on the Covid-19 outbreak and its impact on labour law are also welcome.

We would like to encourage you to submit an abstract (or paper), presenting your ideas and research. It is an aim of NNLLS to make the conference arena a place for discussing and reflecting. The deadline for submitting abstracts is on **15 March 2022**.

You can send your abstract (450-500 words; your name, title and affiliation clearly stated) to the following email address: [nordicnetworklabourlawsscholars@gmail.com](mailto:nordicnetworklabourlawsscholars@gmail.com)

Notification of acceptance will be sent by email no later than 18 March 2022.

We would like to encourage discussion on novel ideas and insights, therefore, no full paper is required. However, at a later stage, in case we would proceed with publishing of the conference material, we could ask the submission of full papers upon agreement.

The NNLLS annual conference is a pillar of the Network activities. Therefore, we ask all participants to become a NNLLS member. If you are not a member yet, you can become one (free of charge) by sending your expression of interest (specifying your name, title and affiliation) to the Network email address as above.

## Practical Information

### *Conference venue*

Futurum at Hanken, Arkadiankatu 22, Helsinki

The conference venue can be easily reached from the city centre by tram number 1 and 2 (heading Käpylä or Pasila), stop at Hanken. A walk from the main railway station to Hanken takes approx. 15 minutes.

The registration opens on 10 February and closes on **21 March 2022**.

This is the link to the registration form: [https://registration.contio.fi/uef/Registration/Login?id=3323-T\\_3323-3967](https://registration.contio.fi/uef/Registration/Login?id=3323-T_3323-3967)

- Conference admission fee: € 40 (it includes two lunches and coffee)
- Conference dinner (*optional*): 54€ (four course menu) (+ 39€ wine pairing)

### *Instructions for payment*

Admission fee and dinner must be paid upon registration.

Cancellation policy: Cancellation is free of charge until 25 March 2022 and we will return your payments in full.

After that date, a medical certificate is required for refund. In the unfortunate event that there will be new restrictions related to Covid-19 set by the Finnish authorities, the conference will be held in online form only.

The online participation is free. Online participants will receive the Zoom link after the registration to the conference.

Please note that participants in presence must cover their own travel expenses.

### *Travelling and accommodation*

It takes approx. 30 min by train from Helsinki airport to the city centrum. More information at <https://www.helsinki-airport.com/helsinki-airport-to-city.php>

Recommended accommodation in Helsinki:

- [Original Sokos Hotel Presidentti Helsinki](#)
- [Hotel Arthur](#)
- [Omena Hotel Helsinki Lönnrotinkatu](#)
- [Hotel Finn](#)

For conference updates, consult the website: <https://law.au.dk/nnlls>

We hope to see you in person in Helsinki, Finland!

## Conference Tentative Program

Venue: Futurum at Hanken, Arkadiankatu 22, Helsinki  
(as well as on Zoom)

### Thursday, 31 March 2022

- h 11.30 Registration of participants
- h 12.30 Lunch
- h 14.00 Opening: **Marjo Ylhäinen**, University of Eastern Finland
- h 14.15 Panel: *The new age of control and surveillance in labour law*  
Chair: Marjo Ylhäinen, University of Eastern Finland  
Keynote speakers:
  - **Mia Ekund**, University of Helsinki
  - **Susanna Lindroos-Hovinheimo**, University of HelsinkiDiscussant: *TBC*
- h 15.30 Coffee break
- h 15.45 Discussion with the audience  
Chair: **Petra Herzfeld-Olsson**, Stockholm University
- h 16.45 End of Day 1
  
- h 18.30 Conference dinner at Pompier Espa, Eteläesplanadi 8

### Friday, 1 April 2022

- h 09.00 Panel: Abstract Presentations  
Chair: **Vincenzo Pietrogiovanni**, Lund & Aarhus University  
Presentations: *TBC*
- h 11.15 Coffee break
- h 11.45 Panel: *Labour Law Scholars in European and International Institutions*  
Chair: **Kurt Weltzien**, BI Norwegian Business School  
Panellists:
  - **Birgitta Nyström**, Lund University
  - **Niklas Bruun**, Helsinki University
  - **Stein Evju**, University of Oslo
  
- h 13.30 Conference Closing and Lunch

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