

Dear Colleague,

With this letter, we would like to invite you to participate in the Nordic Network of Labour Law Scholars - NNLLS.

In recent years, labour law scholarship has been experiencing an unprecedentedly growing trend of networking, which has brought about many positive outcomes. The exchange of ideas and perspectives – a vital factor for academia – has been boosted and, as a consequence of these increasing collaborations across the world, now many joint projects are or have been in place. The Labour Law Research Network – LLRN ([www.labourlawresearch.net](http://www.labourlawresearch.net)) with all its opportunities of meeting and collaborating with colleagues from all over the world in less than 10 years, is one of the best examples.

In such a global context, however, it is also important to create and cultivate regional networks, which offer the benefits of inter-university and international cooperation as well as the advantage of being close and easy to connect.

This is the reason why we are now creating the Nordic Network of Labour Law Scholars, and we would be happy to organise as many colleagues working in Nordic universities as possible.

The Nordic Network of Labour Law Scholars is open to researchers in labour law, of all statuses, who are active in any Nordic university or research centre. The membership is individual, but institutions are also welcome to support the Network.

Some of the institutions in which we are affiliated, are already part of *EU-rättsligt nätverk och forskningssamarbete* run by *Institutet för social civilrätt* at the Law Faculty of Stockholm University. NNLLS will have a supplementary function with a different focus.

The primary goal of NNLLS is to create a forum where Nordic scholars can meet, discuss and exchange ideas, projects and other developments on labour law. NNLLS is meant to facilitate the sharing of the academic works done by colleagues in Nordic research institutions, but it may also be an opportunity to develop joint projects and joint publications.

The primary forum of NNLLS is the annual meeting. Every year, indeed, the Network will organise an open meeting in the form of a conference in a Nordic university. This annual meeting is based on a format – open to adjustments, obviously – in which part of the discussions is dedicated to a specific subject of interest for the hosting institution, in which keynote speakers and discussants will be invited to participate; along with this part, however, the annual meeting always ensures open sessions for all members of the Network willing to present their projects.

The first NNLLS annual meeting will be hosted at BI - Norwegian Business School in Oslo on 3-4 December 2020. A call for presentation with further details on the event will soon be issued.

During the first meeting, we will also take the chance to discuss in a larger context the structure and the functioning of the Network.

Follow us on our webpage – <https://law.au.dk/nlls> - where you will find information on the annual meetings and other relevant events.

If you are interested in participating in the Network, please send an email to the following address and specify your name, title and affiliation:  
[nordicnetworklabourlawscholars@gmail.com](mailto:nordicnetworklabourlawscholars@gmail.com)

We hope that this invitation will meet the same enthusiasm that has been inspiring the work of the Network since its early stage.

Best regards,

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