

Sustainable Work 2020

Health, Innovation & Growth



29-30 OCTOBER 2018, LUND UNIVERSITY, IKDC, SWEDEN

THE NORDIC APPROACH TO SUSTAINABLE WORK – TOWARDS NEW EU RESEARCH CHALLENGES

In recent years, policy discussions regarding the future of work have been revitalized. At the European level, the process of developing policies focusing the *European Pillar of Social Rights* clearly illustrates this development. The European Pillar of Social Rights addresses twenty sectors of policy development, research and innovative practices. Sustainable work is a central policy area for the Nordic Council of Ministers as well as in Sweden. The future of work reflects the visions and missions of many international organisations as ILO, OECD, EU, Eurofound, EU-OSHA and many others. Many research funders also give high priority to challenge-driven research and innovations.

Globalization, digitalization, international competition, new demography and technological transformations have fundamental impact on working conditions, working hours and location of work. The development towards work without borders, a sharing economy and labour market polarization have significant repercussions on employment relations, social protection and the role of social partners. Temporary jobs and precarious working conditions increase in the service sector, while high-performance jobs become more common in the advanced industrial sector. More knowledge is needed on how to accomplish secure and adaptable employment, health and safety at work, proper work life balance, a good social dialogue and effective participation of workers. Quality of jobs, social protection, and improvement of living conditions are major visions both in ILO centenary mission 2019 and in the *UN Sustainable Development Goals* presenting vision up to 2030.

The purpose of this conference is to focus on Nordic research and ideas on how to succeed in creating sustainable work in a European context for Horizon 2020. It also represents a final activity by the Swedish Platform for Sustainable Work as a Resource for Health, Innovation and Growth which was initiated in 2013 with the purpose of promoting inclusion of issues focusing on sustainable work in Horizon 2020 (www.sustainablework2020.se). The mission of the platform is not only to emphasize the Nordic approach in the light of Horizon 2020, but also to focus on Horizon Europe – the next research and innovation framework programme.

PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS



Monday, October 29

- 11.00 Arrival and registration, IKDC, Ingvar Kamprad Design Centre
- 12.00 Lunch (Café Bryggan)
- 13.00 **Opening and welcome** (Room: Stora hörsalen)
Moderator: Carin Håkansta, Ph.D. and Senior Analyst, Swedish Work Environment Authority
Bo Ahrén, Professor, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Lund University, Sweden
Maria Albin, Professor, Metalund, Lund University and Karolinska Institutet, Sweden
- 13.15 **The Swedish platform for sustainable work in Horizon 2020 - in retrospect**
Maria Albin, project leader
- 13.30 **From European Employment Strategy to the Pillar of Social Rights and the Future of Work**
Allan Larsson, Special advisor on the European Pillar of Social Rights, Sweden
- 14.10 **European Challenges in the Work Environment – a PEROSH Perspective**
Inger Schaumburg, Director, National Research Centre for the Work Environment, Denmark and Deputy chair of PEROSH
- 14.40 Short coffee break
- 15.00 **Future work, digitalisation and new skills requirements**
Jan Gulliksen, Professor, KTH, Expert member of the Swedish Digitalisation Council and Sweden's Digital Champion, Sweden
- 15.30 **Promotion of future research on sustainable work - Parallel sessions**
- S1 Working longer and better**
(Room DC:304)
Moderator: Carin Håkansta
Sustainable work for health and job longevity
Maria Albin, Professor, Metalund, Lund University and Karolinska Institutet, Sweden
Sustainable work and labour law research
Birgitta Nyström, Professor, Faculty of Law, Lund university. Sweden
- S2 The new world of work**
(Room DC:243)
Moderator: Elisabeth Lagerlöf, Senior Consultant, Sustainable work 2020
Job quality, innovation and employment outcomes in Europe
Christopher Mathieu, Associate professor, Sociology department, Lund University, Sweden
Sustainable work, digitization and new forms of work
Lena Abrahamsson, Professor, Human works science, Luleå University of Technology, Sweden
- S3 Body at work – problem or potential?**
(Room DC:467)
Moderator: Bengt Järvholm, professor, Umeå University
The body at work – ergonomic challenges in the new workplace
Svend Erik Mathiassen, Professor, Occupational Health Sciences, University of Gävle, Sweden

Sustainable work and the exposure to chemicals

Anders Gudmundsson, Professor, Ergonomics and Aerosol Technology, Lund University, Sweden

S4 Promotion of R&D on sustainable work – interacting with social partners

(Room DC:567)

Moderator: Kenneth Abrahamsson, Adjunct professor, Luleå University of Technology

A Swedish network for interactive research on sustainable work

Ulrika Harlin, Coordinator of the network AfoU, RISE Research Institutes of Sweden, and Mikael Widell Blomé, Associate professor, Ergonomics and Aerosol Technology, Lund University, Sweden

Linking work research to development horizons in the European Social Fund

Lars Wärngård, Senior adviser, Forte, Sweden and Dolores Kandelin Mogard. Project leader, The Union for Professionals, SSR, Sweden

- 17.00 **Plenary discussion based on the presentations (Room: Stora hörsalen)**
Moderator: Maria Albin
- 17.30 End of sessions
- 17.45 Voluntary lab tour at IKDC: VR, aerosol, climate and light lab.
Sign up on registration desk. Gathering point at main entrance/ registration desk
- 18.30 Buffet dinner and social gathering (Café Bryggan, IKDC)

Tuesday, October 30

- 8.30 **Trends in Scandinavian research on work environment and health**
(Room: Stora hörsalen)
Moderator: Bengt Järvholm
Mikko Härmä, Professor, Editor-in-Chief, Scandinavian Journal of Work, Environment & Health, Finland
- 9.00 **The future of research on sustainable work - young scholars look ahead**
Moderator: Kenneth Abrahamsson
Cecilia Berlin, Associate Professor, Chalmers School of Technology, Sweden
Mette Korshøj, Researcher, National Research Centre for the Work Environment, Denmark
- 9.45 **Sustainable work – a challenge for social partners**
Moderator: Kenneth Abrahamsson
Samuel Engblom, Policy director, The Swedish Confederation of Professional Employees, Sweden
Bodil Mellblom, Work environment Specialist, The Confederation of Swedish Enterprise, Sweden
- 10.15 Coffee break
- 10.45 **Towards the next generation of the European workplace**
Moderator: Elisabeth Lagerlöf
Frans Eiffe, Research Officer, Eurofound
William Cockburn, Head of Unit, EU-OSHA
Jon Erik Dølvik, professor, FAFO, Norway

12.00 Lunch (Café Bryggan)

13.00 **Nordic Work Environment Institutes in Transition – and Ways Forward**

Moderator: Maria Albin

Inger Schaumburg, Professor, Director, National Research Centre for the Work Environment (NFA), Denmark

Antti Koivula, Professor, Director General, Finnish Institute of Occupational Health, (FIOH), Finland

Sture Bye, Director of Communication and International Relations, National Institute of Occupational Health (STAMI), Norway

Helena Jahncke, PhD, Analyst, The Swedish Agency for Work Environment Knowledge (Mynak), Sweden

14.15 **Towards Challenge-Driven Research and Innovation on Sustainable Work – looking ahead for the next European Framework Programme Horizon Europe**

Moderator: Maria Albin

Tuomo Karjalainen, Programme officer, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation. European Commission

Comments: Jan Michiel Meeuwsen, Manager International Affairs, PEROSH; Cecilia Beskow, Head of Research and Evaluation, Forte; Anna Halldén, National Contact Point for H2020, Vinnova.

15.00 **End of meeting**

Maria Albin