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## **Provisional Program of the 55<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the International Association of Labour History Institutions (IALHI)**

*10 to 13 September, 2025*

*International Institute of Social History (Amsterdam)*

### **AI, Big Tech and Democracy: Threats and Opportunities to Labour History Institutions**

**ALL TIMES ARE CENTRAL EUROPEAN SUMMER TIME (CET)**

**ALL MEETINGS AT THE ISSH BUILDING: CRUQUIUSWEG 31, 1019 AT AMSTERDAM, THE  
NETHERLANDS**

**<https://iisg.amsterdam/en/collections/prepare-your-visit>**

#### **Wednesday 10 September**

*15.00 – 16.30: Board meeting (members only)*

*16.00 – 18.00: Reception and registration*

#### **Thursday 11 September**

*10.00 – 10.45: **Opening** of the conference. Welcome and **keynote***

*10.45 – 11.00: Coffe/tea*

*11.00 – 12.30: **Big Tech to undermine labour***

- *Toward a Digital Workers Memory: The experience of the Digital Center for Historical Documentation of the Institute of Humanities (CeDIDH–CONICET), by Camila Sapp, Fernando Aiziczon, Agustin Zanotti (CONICET)*

- *AI and new technologies in the Global South: potentials and limits for history research*, by Walter Koppmann and Nicolas Rubinstein (CEHTI, Uni Buenos Aires)
- *AI: A view from an Australian union based collection centre*, by Neale Towart, Unions NSW Sydney

12.30 – 13.30: Lunch

**13.30 – 15.00: Big Tech to support archiving labour**

- *Making Use of LLMs for Archival Descriptions of Digital Born Data: Evaluating a Proof of Concept*, by Andreas Marquet, (Archive of Social Democracy (FES), Bonn)
- *Different strategies for preserving the web (and everything that will go wrong)*, by Jeroen Fernandez-Alonso (AMSAB-ISG, Ghent)

15.00 – 15.15: Coffee/tea

**15.15 – 17.30: Big Tech to support labour data creation**

- *Keeping the Humanities Human(e): The Indispensable Human in Collecting and Analysing Data for Global Labour Histories*, by Amber Zijlma, Josephine Läuferts and Teun van Kasteel (IISH, Amsterdam)
- *A Hands-On Approach to Using RAG-AI (NotebookLM) with Historical Socialist Newspapers*, by Lucas Poy (Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam)
- *AI as an aid to data capture: opportunities and limitations*, by Alice Balazy (ETUI)

18.00: Conference dinner

## Friday 12 September

**9.30 – 13.30: IALHI member presentations**

- Archivo Histórico de los Movimientos Sociales (Madrid) - *A new Spanish archive for social movements*, by Marta Hernangómez Vázquez
- AMSAB-Institute of Social History (Ghent) - *Migration History in the Metaverse: A Project on Engaging Heritage Communities in a Virtual Archive and Museum*, by Dhiaa Biya, Fady Labib and Donald Weber
- IISH (Amsterdam) - *The use of open access pipelines for heritage and research*, by Bethany Warner
- La Contemporaine's involvement with Wikipedia and other Wikimedia projects, by Rene Pigier (La Contemporaine)
- ABMO (Genoa) – *Recent activities and projects*, by Massimo Repetto (Archivio Biografico del Movimento Operaio)

13.00 – 14.00: Lunch

14.00 – 15.00: **General Assembly** (hybrid)

Alternative to non-members: tour of the collection

15.00 – 17.00: **Round table discussion**

- *The Position of Labour history institutions in our time*, participants: Leo Lucassen (IISH), Anja Kruke (FES), Eric Clavin (Hoover Institution), ...

17.00 – 18.00: Drinks and end of the conference