

Online-Event – 11 May 2023, 3–5 pm (CET)

Online Platforms, Platform Work and Platform Workers in France, Greece, Italy and Germany



What can we learn from each other?



INVITATION

The platform economy has been expanding in France, Greece, Italy and Germany in the last decade. In the case of France and Greece new legislations have been adopted in the platform work context. In **France**, platform companies have to report information to tax authorities on identification details about the platform operator and users. In **Greece**, a new labour law has come into force in 2021, introducing a protective framework for platform workers and providing a definition for digital platforms, but there is still need for improvement.

In **Italy**, the Legislative Degree has been passed in 2019, improving riders' working conditions by giving them more guarantees and move towards approximating their status to that of employees. Furthermore, several platforms of the delivery sector signed a voluntary agreement, according to which ir-respectively of employment status, all workers are protected against discrimination, have full union rights and the minimum wage in the particular sector.

In **Germany**, despite multiple grassroots initiatives addressing the rights of platform workers, the public debates have been focusing more on data protection at the workplace. Various parties and trade unions have been calling for an employee data-protection law in addition to the requirements laid down in the GDPR.

However, many platform workers are still working under precarious conditions. At the European level, a new Directive on Platform Work is still in the process of negotiation and the subject of implementation into the national law in the upcoming years. **This FES event by FES Future of Work, FES France, FES Greece and FES Italy** aims to address the issue of platform work and discuss the current challenges for platform workers and Trade Unions in France, Greece, Italy and Germany.

The event will be translated simultaneously into German, English, French, Greek and Italian.

AGENDA

Chair: **Jean-Paul Judson**, Founder of NOWMORE

15:00 WELCOME

Oliver Philipp, FES Future of Work

15:05 PART I: WHAT ARE THE MAIN CHARACTERISTICS OF PLATFORM WORK? WHAT IS THE STATUS QUO? DISCUSSION WITH COUNTRY EXPERTS

- › France: **Odile Chagny**, IRES
- › Greece: **Manos Matsaganis**, Polytechnic University of Milan
- › Italy: **Ivana Pais**, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore
- › Germany: **Valentin Niebler**, Humboldt University of Berlin

16:00 PART II: WHAT ARE THE MAIN CHALLENGES AND HOW TO ADDRESS THEM? AND WHAT IS THE ROLE OF TRADE UNIONS IN PROTECTION OF THE RIGHTS OF PLATFORM WORKERS? DISCUSSION WITH POLITICIANS AND TRADE UNIONS

- › France: **Olivier Jacquin**, Senator Socialist Party
- › Greece: **Giorgos Christopoulos**, Federation of Private School Teachers of Greece (OIELE) & Center of Education Policy Development of General Confederation Association (KANEP-GSEE)
- › Italy: **Nicola Marongiu**, Italian General Confederation of Labour (CGIL)
- › Germany: **Roman Kormann**, German Trade Union Confederation (DGB)

17:00 END OF EVENT

Note: This is an online conference. The zoom link will be sent to you shortly before the event after registration.



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