XIII Global Labour University Conference on
“The Future of Work: Democracy, Development and the Role of Labour”
7-9 August 2018, Brazil

Trade union invitation

The Global Labour University (GLU) is a network of trade unions, universities, the Friedrich Ebert-Stiftung and the International Labour Organisation (ILO). The objective of the Global Labour University is to increase the intellectual and strategic capacity of workers organisations.

This year’s XIII GLU Conference will be held in São Paulo and Campinas, Brazil from August 7th to the 9th. The topic “The Future of Work: Democracy, Development and the Role of Labour” is a manifestation that trade unionists and labor academics understand that the future of the labour movement is at stake.

As the Future of Work will be a major theme for many national and global federations including the congresses of the ITF, UNI and ITUC this year and the ILO’s 100th anniversary next year, this GLU conference seeks the input of trade unions on how we can shape this future in our ways.

That is why we would like to invite trade unionists to join this Conference to share reflections, experiences and good practices regarding how trade unions are responding to the challenges imposed to workers focusing on the four sub-themes of the Conference:

1. Structural Changes and Impacts on Labour
2. Trade Union Organization and Strategies
3. Labour Regulation
4. Development

We look forward to interactive workshops and your ideas to debate proposals on issues such as:

- How can trade unions use technology to build our power?
- How can we make sure that workers own their own data?
- How do we shape labor relations emerging in new forms of work?
- How can we make sure that new technologies advance the interests of workers and other parts of society, not just companies?

If you are interested to join our debates, please write and tell us what you would like to share and debate with us on the topics above.

Please send your request for participation to sri@cut.org.br and snf@cut.org.br by April 2, 2018. In case your trade union has a policy or research paper which you would like to present you can also submit an abstract in response to the Call for Papers by April 2, 2018.

Come and join the debate!