

## Call for Papers/Submissions

### A Green New Deal

**Deadline:** preliminary abstracts 31 January 2020; final papers 30 June 2020.

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Across the world political momentum has been growing for grand programs of societal rejuvenation under the banner of the term ‘Green New Deal’. Uniting them are an explicit orientation towards decarbonisation and the promotion of workers’ interests. Academics are called on to provide policymakers with conceptual frameworks that will help translate this momentum into action. *The Economic and Labour Relations Review* is calling for submissions to a special issue focused on the/se Green New Deal/s. The issue will be published in March 2021, but articles will be published in Online First in 2020 as finalised, in time for what is no doubt to be a decisive moment for GND-style programs: the culmination of the US presidential election cycle.

As political programs aiming at wholesale transformation of economy and society, Green New Deal-style programs have the potential to affect the diverse range of policy areas, listed below. In addition, such programs have diverse ideological and theoretical foundations, spanning Keynesian, Marxist, feminist economics and new concepts like the entrepreneurial state. They rest on diverse normative principles such as those relating to ecological justice, anti-colonialism and intergenerational inequality. Green New Deals have been promoted as solutions to a range of economic and social problems, from the inability of liberal states to respond sufficiently quickly to the climate catastrophe, to crises of inequality, the changing nature of work as a result of automation and deindustrialisation, and the ‘new normal’ of low inflation, low participation and sluggish growth.

Some see this diversity of ideas, problems and solutions as a barrier to effective solutions. On the other hand, by bringing together the most pressing and substantial challenges facing policymakers today and providing a framework that transcends the ‘trade-off’ paradigm of environmental management, we hope this issue will present policymakers with an economically and politically viable path forward on climate change action.

The journal is seeking papers from all countries on aspects of Green New Deal-style programs. These may address (but are not restricted to) the following:

- Reimagining work
- Energy and decarbonisation
- Housing and urban planning
- Transport
- State investment, privatisation and PPPs
- Tax reform
- Care and public health
- Food and agriculture
- Colonialism
- Indigenous issues
- Inequality
- Gender studies
- Intergenerational justice
- Regional planning
- International considerations

- Sources of funding
- Unions and industrial relations
- Theoretical foundations and critique

The journal will especially value contributions with empirical content and policy focus, in keeping with its mission relating to the intersection of economics, labour relations policies and social justice. More theoretical overview pieces will also be considered.

Submitting authors should review the Economic and Labour Relation Review's scope statement, which can be found at <https://journals.sagepub.com/home/elr>.

### **Process**

Before submitting papers, authors should send a summary of up to 1000 words, setting out topic, argument, and theoretical/methodological basis. These should be addressed to the Guest Editors, listed below. In consultation with Executive Editors, the Guest Editors will select the topics that best fit the symposium, and advise other authors of alternative publication options, such as through the regular submission process in SageTrack <https://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/elr>

We are intending to host a one-day digital workshop in late April 2020, in order to allow authors to develop their ideas and to enhance the special issue's coherence. We request that submitting authors indicate their availabilities for such a workshop.

Both inside and outside the special issue, submissions that conform to the house style will be prioritised for peer reviewing and editing. The journal's formatting requirements can be found at <https://us.sagepub.com/en-us/nam/the-economic-and-labour-relations-review/journal202205#submission-guidelines>

### **Timeline:**

31 January 2020: abstract submissions

15 February 2020: invitations to workshop sent

~30 April 2020: digital workshop

30 June 2020: first submission deadline for full papers

December 2020: articles published on Online First

March 2021: special issue publication

(Note: ELRR articles are published online ahead of print at any time of the year, following completion of the processes of review, revision, further review, acceptance, copy-editing and page proof finalisation. The publication date is that of the online version).

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