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Employment law update 2023

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A one-day conference
Thursday 23rd March 2023
9:30am to 3:00pm
Diskus Room,
Unite the Union,
128 Theobald's Road,
London WC1X 8TN

About the conference

It's time again for the most popular Institute of Employment Rights conference of the year, at which we bring together leading lawyers, academics and campaigners from across the UK to update delegates on developments in labour law over the previous 12 months and to suggest how workers can be better protected.

After over a decade of austerity, recent industrial hostility from employers like P&O, and as the cost-of-living crisis comes down to bite on the real terms value of workers' wages, unions are ramping up collective action in order to regain previous levels of rights and wages for their members. Our experts from Thompsons Solicitors will be revisiting key cases on industrial and collective issues to demonstrate to delegates where

the legal pitfalls and opportunities currently are.

With a raft of recent legislation aimed at making industrial action and demonstrations more difficult, and with increased powers to fine unions through the Certification Officer, it is clear there are existential threats towards the trade union movement building. Minimum service levels are the most recent authoritarian laws to be posed, but should not be seen in isolation. Both Sarah Woolley from the Bakers Union (BFAWU) and Professor Keith Ewing of King's College London, will be analysing how the trade union movement may respond to such threats.

As well as these important topics, our experts will discuss a wide range of burning issues from modern employment tribunals to key cases on religion and belief.

Please be aware our Employment Law Updates historically sell out very quickly – book your seat in good time to avoid disappointment.

Who should attend

Trade unionists, employment lawyers working in support of trade unions, and academics and students with an interest in industrial relations and labour law.

How to get there

Train: Lime Street Station for British Rail and Merseyrail.

CPD accreditation

All IER seminars and conferences attract credit hours under the Law Society's Continuing Development Scheme and the General Council of the Bar's New Practitioners' Programme and Established Practitioners' Programme. Delegates requiring CPD points may be charged an additional administration fee of £10 to cover our costs.

Additional information

Name changes are accepted up until the time of the event. Delegates who advise IER of their cancellation more than 15 working days in advance will receive a credit note with 10% deduction for administration.

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Programme

9.30am Registration

9.50am Welcome from the Chair
TBC

10.00am

Industrial/collective legal issues

Neil Todd, Thompsons Solicitors

11.30am

Organising workers to resist authoritarian laws

Sarah Woolley, BFAWU

1.45pm

Religion and belief discrimination

Paul Scholey, Morrish Solicitors

10.30am

TBC
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12.00 noon

Preparing for and appearing in Employment Tribunals

Rohan Pirani, Regional Employment Judge South West

2.15pm

Trade Union rights under siege – where are we heading?

Prof Keith Ewing, IER

11.00am

Questions and discussion

11.15am

Break

12.30pm

Questions and discussion

12.45pm

Lunch

2.45pm

Questions and discussion

3.00pm

Close

Booking

Please note: legal firms that subscribe to the Institute are entitled to one subscriber-rate place per conference. There are a number of free press places available on request.

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Trade Unions:	£100 per delegate	£90 per delegate	
Commercial:	£240 per delegate	£220 per delegate	

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3. Email: office@ier.org.uk to make your booking.

Registration

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