

# GREEN SKILLS, WORKPLACE INNOVATIONS AND JUST TRANSITION

Open Call for a special issue 2024 in  
European Journal of Workplace Innovation



## The Green Transition towards a Climate-Neutral Economy

*The global environmental, climate and biodiversity challenges require an urgent global response. The green transition and the move towards sustainability, including the transition to a climate-neutral economy, is triggering the need for a fundamental transformation of our society across a wide range of sectors. Europe must lead by example, by delivering on ambitious environmental, climate and biodiversity goals, enhancing growth, competitiveness, and quality job creation, while protecting the environment and ensuring a just transition to a more resource-efficient and circular economy.*

**Source: EU Council conclusions on skills and competences for the green transition. March 7, 2023**

## Call for a special EJWI issue on Green Skills, Workplace Innovations and Just Transition

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- In connection with the RISE.network on Green Transition and Working Life (Katrin Skagert, Research Institutes of Sweden)



## Open call and time schedule

- *The Call for Papers opened in July 2023.*
- *Abstracts should be submitted by 31st January, 2024.*
- *Authors will be notified regarding acceptance of abstracts by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024*
- *Full text is due 31st May 2024.*
- *Review process will be in Summer/Autumn 2024.*
- *Final text will be requested by 31st October 2024.*
- *Publication expected in EJWI 9.2 late Autumn 2024.*
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## Abstract / declarations of intent to submit a chapter

- There is no specific format for the abstracts / declarations of intent, but these should be between 250 – 500 words, and give an indication of: • the basic lines of the argument and conclusions presented in the chapter, • whether the chapter is of a policy-oriented, conceptual, theoretical or empirical nature, • if the article is grounded in a specific contextual setting, be it national/regional, sectoral (public, private, voluntary), industrial, professional, etc.
- With the abstracts / declarations of intent, please include a brief bio up to 200 words, indicating the occupational affiliation for each of the authors and co-authors. Please indicate who is the corresponding author and preferred email address.
- Chapters should be approximately 6000 to 8000 words, including references, figures, tables, and any appendices or supplemental materials.



Our visions and missions with this call for a special issue on jobs, workplace innovations and just transitions in the green economy are reflected in this video clip on youtube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t-CWmwz6EQE>

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- *Develop and present new theories in the field of workplace innovation and to increase international publication within the field*
- *To become an important publication channel for workplace innovation researches as well as the international research community*
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## European Agencies for Green Transition

- <https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/en/topic/just-transition>
- <https://www.eurofound.europa.eu/en/resources/presentation/2023/towards-fair-green-transition-implications-employment-relations-and>
- <https://www.cedefop.europa.eu/en/projects/skills-and-jobs-green-transition>
- <https://osha.europa.eu/en/emerging-risks/circular-economy>
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