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## nups-Webinar Nr. 11

### Italy – migration-related changes in the organisation of work in the food sector

Date: Dec 13, 2022, 14.00 – 15.00 h CET, via Zoom

#### Content:

This webinar zooms in to consider Italy, a country that is undergoing one of Europe's most pronounced processes of adaptation and transformation through migration. We look at Italy's current situation from the perspective of work, with a focus on agriculture and here, focus on the organization of the work process.

Italian agricultural transformation has been under the spotlight of migration scholars, as severe migrant labour exploitation proved to be systematically entangled in renowned "Made in Italy" production chains (oranges, tomatoes, olives, grapes and many more). While this part of the story is broadly studied, our webinar shifts the focus on innovations, which can take the form of breaking-out strategies and which sometimes are connected to new technologies. Such innovations can be found, for example, among (self-)employed migrants that show embryonic, potential trajectories to transform agri-food chains with a limited economic, social and environmental sustainability.

The webinar will focus on three case studies of such innovation: a "product innovation" experimented by Bangladeshi migrants, finding their way to grow Asian vegetables on fields in various parts of Italy. Second, we will concentrate on "process innovation", thus, efforts by organizations in the social economy aiming to produce socially sustainable networks for migrant workers in usually highly exploitative agri-food supply chains. Third, we will focus on the innovations which emerge when migrants are actively involved into social economies in the food sector.

#### Speakers:

Prof. Dr. **Elisa Bertuzzo** (Kunsthochschule Weissensee, Berlin)

Prof. Dr. **Eduardo Barberis** and Dr. **Fabio de Blasis** (Università di Urbino, Carlo Bo)

**Federica Viganò** (Free University of Bozen-Bolzano)

Chair: Prof. Dr. Felicitas Hillmann (nups, TU Berlin)

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