



Call for Papers

2nd International Conference on *Vulnerable Workers and Precarious Work in a Changing World*

London, 10-11 September 2012
Middlesex University Business School
Hendon campus, The Burroughs, NW4 4BT, London

Adapt – “Marco Biagi” Centre for International and Comparative Studies, ANMIL – The Italian National Association between Injured and Disabled Workers and Middlesex University, Business School are holding the 2nd International Conference on *Vulnerable Workers and Precarious Work in a Changing World*.

This conference follows on from a successful conference held in London in 2010 on *Vulnerable Workers, Health, Safety and Well-Being*. The papers from that conference have now been published as an edited book (*Vulnerable Workers; Health, Safety and Well-being* Gower Publishing 2011).

We wish to continue this theme but also widen it to take into consideration all issues related to vulnerable workers and precarious working such as: employment protection; job exploitation; slavery; migrant workers; gender and race issues; particular groups of vulnerable workers; domestic workers; the role of trade unions, NGOs and other interested bodies; the work of the ILO and other international bodies as well as relevant national organisations; decent work, contractual issues and turning precarious work into secure work. This is not intended to be a closed list of topics and we welcome papers submitted on any topic related to this wide field.

There will be the option to publish suitable papers from this conference in the *E-Journal of International and Comparative Labour Studies*, a new refereed international on-line journal edited by Adapt University Press. More info at:

http://www.adaptinternational.it/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=9

The working language will be English.

Contributors are invited to submit an abstract of not more than two pages (Times New Roman 12) by March 30 2012. Abstracts should contain a clear outline of the subject matter with the research questions it intends to answer. Contributors will receive a response to their submission by April 27 2012.

Participation is free. **Participants** who would like to attend the conference without presenting a paper are highly welcome too.

Abstracts and/or registration should be submitted via the online collaboration area (Moodle area) dedicated to Adapt International events:

<http://moodle.adapt.it/course/view.php?id=31>

Please follow the instructions you find there.

For any information, please refer to helpdesk@adapttechnologies.it

If you already have an active profile on our Moodle, please refer to that profile.

Symposium proposals – we are also interested in proposals for symposia by groups of academics wishing to present a themed topic. If you are interested in making such a proposal, then please make contact with Professor Malcolm Sargeant on M.Sargeant@mdx.ac.uk

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*Malcolm Sargeant and Maria Giovannone (eds) *Vulnerable Workers: health, safety and well-being* 2011 Gower Publishing