

SISLav and Istoreco Livorno are inviting applications to the first edition of the "Simonetta Ortaggi" award for outstanding PhD dissertations in the field of Labour History. Simonetta Ortaggi (1944-1999) was a historian and researcher, author of some of the most important contributions to Italian Labour History.

The award consists in the publication of a Phd thesis in Labour History broadly defined, for the "Lavori in corso" series, by SISLav-NDF publication. The thesis will be published in paper-format for purchase and it will also be available for free download from the editor's website.

The first "Simonetta Ortaggi" award is open to researchers who defended their doctoral theses within the last 5 years. The award will be granted every two years. Starting from the second edition of the award, only theses defended in the previous two years will be accepted.

The candidate must have completed a doctoral degree from an Italian or foreign institution. The thesis must be originally written - or translated - in one of the following languages: Italian, French, English, Portuguese, Spanish, German. The language of publication will be Italian.

Theses that have been previously published will not be accepted. There is no geographical nor time limitation with regards to the subject of the research. The work presented can focus on any historical period, from antiquity to the present, and on any geographical area.

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The deadline for application is **30 November 2016**.

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