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If you are interested in contributing to this planned special issue, please get in touch with Alexandra Kaasch, Lead Editor of Global Social Policy (<u>Alexandra.kaasch@unibielefeld.de</u>).

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Although social policy and environmental policies have often been addressed in separation from each other, the inter-connection between social and environmental concerns isincreasingly gaining attention. Not only do climate change and pollution have severe implications on living conditions, but also political measures tackling environmental problems may have a tremendous impact on the social situation of people. Both sorts of influences challenge existing social and environmental policy arrangements, and require integrated eco-social policies in order to protect affected groups of people and their surrounding natural environments to mutual benefits.

Political discourse is observable at all levels: At civil society level, 'Fridays for Future' advocate more progressive climate policies, while the 'Yellow Vest Movement' points to the increasing risk of falling into poverty if energy prices rise due to the implementation of a carbon tax without any redistribution mechanisms. National political actors increasingly engage with eco-social policy concepts. At transnational policy levels, we can observe how social and environmental concerns are addressed in one breath (most prominently in the context of the Sustainable Development Goals).

We invite papers that focus on the overlapping fields of environmental and social policies at transnational policy levels with a particular focus on EU eco-social policies. The contributions may focus on activities of EU institutions, inter-state initiatives or struggles within the EU, as well as on the role of the EU in multi-lateral contexts at a global scale. Papers may also take a comparative perspective as to the similarities and differences in the emergence of eco-social policies between world regions. Research questions may equally relate to policy ideas, actors, processes or mechanisms.

Expressions of Interest:

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