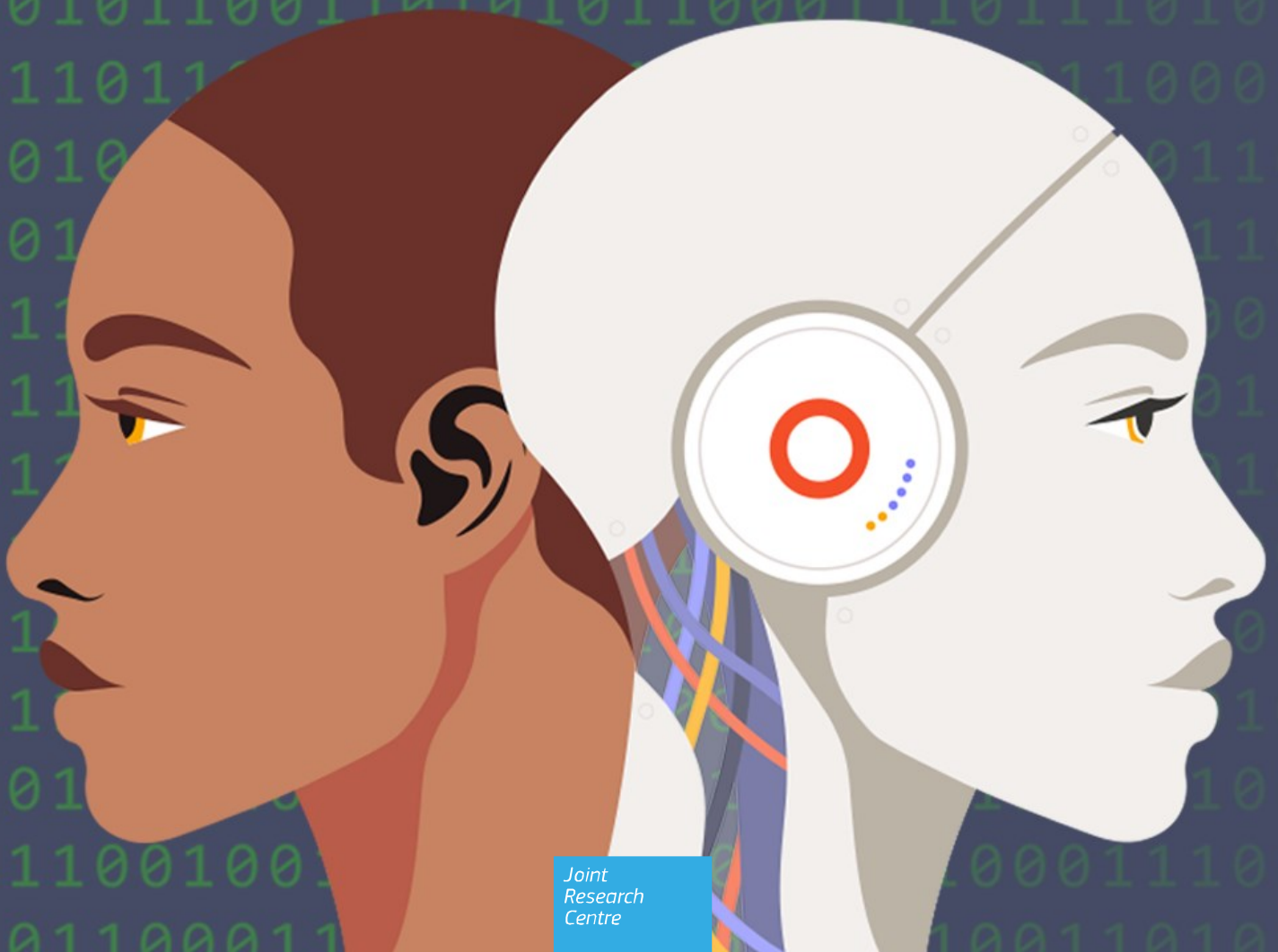




International Workshop **Social Class Analysis in the Digital Age:** **New Approaches and Perspectives**

4-5 December 2023

Organised by the DIGCLASS Team
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Expo Building - Calle Inca Garcilaso 3, Seville



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PROGRAMME



Monday, 4th December

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- 10:30-11:00 Registration (JRC Reception) & Coffee (JRC patio)
- 11:00-11:05 Opening Address: **Asunción Fernández-Carretero** (JRC-B6, Head of Unit: Industrial Strategy, Skills and Technology Transfer)
- 11:05-11:35 Keynote: **José Fernández-Albertos** (CSIC & DG Social Security Planning, Spanish Government): Digital transition, and the supply and demand for redistribution

11:35-13:00

Session 1: CLASS MEASUREMENT

Chair: Marta Fana (JRC-B6)

Roujman Shahbazian (Stockholm University): Later and less? New Evidence on Occupational Maturity for Swedish Women and Men

Karin Kristensson (Uppsala University): What is social class? A machine learning approach

Antao Li (Fudan University): A Socio-Economic Index of Occupational Status Based on Online Job Advertisement Data

13:00-14:10

Lunch Break (JRC patio)

14:10-15:35

Session 2: CLASS INEQUALITY

Chair: Carlos Gil (JRC-DIGCLASS)

Edvin Syk (Stockholm University): Class Stratification: Evidence from a Century of Swedish History

Naht An Trinh (University of Oxford): Social Class and Earnings Growth over the Life Course

Guillem Vidal (JRC-DIGCLASS): Wealth Inequality and Stratification by Social Classes in Europe

15:35-15:50

Coffee Break (JRC patio)

15:50-17:40

Session 3: INTERGENERATIONAL TRANSMISSION MECHANISMS

Chair: Alicia de Quinto (JRC-DIGCLASS)

Ginevra Floridi (University of Edinburgh): Income inequality and socio-economic divides in parental transfers to young adults

Marta Facchini (Sciences Po): How does parents' employment uncertainty affect children's early skills development? Patterns and mechanisms in France

Pablo Gracia (Trinity College Dublin): The Heterogeneous Impact of Broadband Internet Expansion on Adolescent Educational Outcomes: New Evidence by Intersecting Social Class, Gender, and Migrant Status

Mar Cañizares-Espadafor (UNED): The intergenerational effect of educational expansion: New evidence from a natural experiment using the Spanish 1970 education reform

18:20 Cultural activity ([Setas de Sevilla](#) - Plaza de la Encarnación, s/n, 41003 Sevilla).

Tuesday, 5th December

10:00-11.25

Session 4: TECHNOLOGY & LABOUR MARKET INEQUALITY

Chair: Davide Villani (JRC-DIGCLASS)

Katy Morris (Université de Lausanne): Uneven Shifts: The Geography of Occupational Change in France, Italy, Spain and the United Kingdom 1992 - 2018

Leon Küstermann (European University Institute): Managers of change: How firms shape whether modernization leads to polarization

Jelena Reljic (Sapienza University of Rome): The effects of robotization on individuals' working histories: evidence from Italy

11.25-11.40

Coffee Break (JRC patio)

11.40-13.05

Session 5: TECHNOLOGY & POLITICS

Chair: José Fernández-Albertos (CSIC & Spanish Government)

Álvaro Canalejo-Molero (University of Lucerne): The political conflict potential of digitalization

Fabian Kalleitner (Hertie School): Robots, migrants, and offshoring. How perceptions of labour market risks explain policy preferences

Paolo Agnolin (Bocconi University): Robots Replacing Trade Unions: Novel Data and Evidence from Western Europe

13.05-14.15

Lunch Break (JRC patio)

14.15-15.40

Session 6: POLICY RESPONSES

Chair: Leire Salazar (JRC-DIGCLASS Lead Scientist)

Reto Bürgisser (University of Zurich): Can Government Policies Moderate Political Backlash to Structural Economic Change?

Marius Busemeyer (University of Konstanz): Digitalization and the Green Transition: Different Challenges, Same Social Policy Responses?

Emma Rose Álvarez-Cronin (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona): Social protection and in work poverty in Spain: Simulating different income guarantee schemes to fill in the gaps

15.40-15.55

Coffee Break (JRC patio)

15.55-17.20

Session 7: POLITICAL BEHAVIOUR

Chair: Guillem Vidal (JRC-DIGCLASS)

Delia Zollinger (University of Zurich): Upward mobility, gender, and progressive politics

Giuseppe Ciccolini (University of Milan and EUI): The Intergenerational Foundations of Class Voting: Social Mobility and Electoral Choice in Western Europe

Berta Caihuelas-Navajas (Carlos III University, Madrid): Exploring the effects of macro-economic factors on the class gap in turnout

17.20-17.35

Closing Address: **Leire Salazar** (JRC-DIGCLASS Lead Scientist)

20:30

Social dinner ([Manducare](#) - Calle San Esteban 30, Seville)

About DIGCLASS

The DIGCLASS project (2021-2024) was born out of the increasing concern in Europe about the implications of the digital revolution for social inequalities and democratic processes. The objective is to better understand how digital technologies alter the mechanisms that generate inequalities in the distribution of resources and life chances, which is crucial for social policies to respond to the challenges of the digital revolution.

DIGCLASS comprises an interdisciplinary [team](#) of social scientists with [research lines](#) on: (1) the revision and update of existing analytical tools to study the class structure in terms of occupational status and distributive inequality –i.e., income and wealth; (2) the links between socioeconomic position –and its intergenerational transmission, inequalities in life chances (i.e., education and health) and political attitudes (i.e., preferences for redistribution); and (3) the identification of new social protection policies to reduce inequality of opportunity and outcomes, fostering more inclusive economic growth.

The DIGCLASS project produces two main scientific outputs: (1) open-access scientific events – a monthly [seminar series](#) featuring world-class academics and the [Real Utopias for a Social Europe](#) workshops on innovative social policy proposals; (2) and a [Working Paper Series](#) including original contributions from the DIGCLASS team and international [external collaborators](#) to be published in high-impact academic outlets.

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