



UNIVERSITÀ DEGLI STUDI DI TORINO

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Scientific area	Scientific responsible	Host Department	Type of activity	Start of mobility	Language
Law	Simona Novaretti	Law		To be determined with the appointed researcher	
Type of fellowship	Senior (equal or more than 40 years old) 1 month				
Title of the research project	Solidarity and Legality in the 21 st Century. Chinese and European Perspectives on Changing Legal Cultures.				
Description of the research project	<p>The purpose and research question of this project is</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identification of interaction between contemporary and changing expressions of solidarity and contemporary and changing expressions of legality and normativity in a Chinese and European context. <p>In a globalized world new interaction between individualism and collectivism is emerging as a result of digitalization, demographic changes, new mentalities and new relations – including gender and inter-generational relations. This is leading to new forms of solidarity, legality and morality. Issues of social cohesion, stability and sustainability are common concerns in most parts of the world.</p> <p>The EU is currently funding a number of research projects related to issues of solidarity, however none of them deal with issues of law and legality. In a European context the development of industrial society historically gave rise to forms of organization and regulation (especially labour law) which were based upon and protected by cooperation and solidarity of workers. Presently issues of migration and movement of refugees is giving rise to especially civil society demonstrating solidarity in many parts of Europe.</p> <p>In China Confucianism has advocated harmony and stability in society. For decades young Chinese workers, (many female) have moved in large numbers to cities to achieve better income and living conditions, and to support their families (filial piety) Their legal conditions especially regarding their household registration (hukou) have been and are very insecure. Chinese economic development over the last four decades has brought increased wealth, but also increased inequality and insecurity for considerable parts of the population, making new forms of stability as well as justice and fairness pressing issues.</p> <p>In a globalized world living conditions (work, income, housing, health) are becoming ever more precarious for large parts of society. Former ILO-economist, and present professor Guy Standing, has in his last book suggested the development of ‘A Precariat Charter’ (2014). This project wants to pursue these ideas in relation to concrete expressions</p>				
Profile Description	The qualifications needed to undertake this research are a solid background in law, insight in sociology of law, competence in legal culture and practical knowledge of both Chinese and European legal cultures, as well as experience in interdisciplinary and international research..				

Research objectives	The competences focus at developing a stronger understanding of the (inter-related) European and Chinese comprehensions of solidarity, normativity and legality in a 21st century world. Italian experience in the EU and in relation to China is crucial in this respect.
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