

A dominant issue in this annual review is the way in which the **European Pillar of Social Rights** has influenced EU policy making even before it was politically endorsed.

The book examines the impact of the Pillar's new 'rights-based social investment approach' while also questioning if the Pillar could encourage a fully-fledged 'European Social Union'.

But will it also be able to steer the EU's macroeconomic policies?

This volume looks at social protection of the self-employed, recent progress in occupational health and the impact of the digital transition on job quality. Eco-social policies need to be put on the agenda urgently – *but at whose expense?*

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