

## Editorial

This issue opens with a selection of four articles (by Chang Kai, Keith Ewing, Thomas Kochan and Arnold Zack, and William Brown), resulting from an international symposium on collective labour dispute resolution, discussing Chinese developments from international and comparative perspectives. Chang Kai and William Brown introduce the context of the symposium and the content of the articles in their guest editorial.

In addition, the issue contains three other articles. The article entitled 'Crisis in the ILO supervisory system: dispute over the right to strike' by Lee Swepston discusses the ILO supervisory system and provides a critical analysis of the way in which the Employers' Group at the ILO has recently challenged both the right to strike in international law and the mandate of the ILO Committee of Experts (a topic discussed also by Keith Ewing). Lee Swepston examines the implications of this development, and suggests ways forward. William van Caenegem's article 'Employee know-how, non-compete clauses and job mobility across civil and common law systems' makes a comparative and interdisciplinary analysis in the fields of labour law and intellectual property law relating to how the law on trade secrets and non-compete and confidentiality clauses impacts on employees' job mobility. Finally, in the article 'Has Australia's road to workplace partnership reached a dead end?' Keith Townsend et al. describe how collaboration and partnership arrangements have taken shape within modern Australian industrial relations, analysing their future potential. Australian developments are reviewed against the background of developments in the UK and New Zealand.

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