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Dossier 2024: Call for papers

Faces of the social issue in contemporary Brazil

The Brazilian Federal Constitution (1988) defined the essential social rights (welfare) to guarantee citizenship. However, the effectiveness of these rights faced many difficulties in the decades following the promulgation of the 1988 Federal Constitution, due to the context of low economic development, in particular due to the adoption of fiscal austerity policies aimed at containing inflationary pressures and ensuring the payment of high interest rates on public debt. There were recurrent restrictions on the expansion of social spending, which made it impossible to universalize the coverage of social policies and undermined the quality of public services.

In the recent years, Brazilian social policy remains at this crossroads: on the one hand, the Federal Constitution promised a broad set of social rights, which are understood as a necessary condition for building a prosperous and socially just nation; on the other hand, the implementation of these welfare remains restricted by the high concentration of income and the predominance of the rationality of financial agents in public management.

We invite researchers to contribute to a reflection on the different faces of the social issue and public policies aimed at overcoming such problems.

Papers are requested to be submitted until August 31, 2024.

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