

# Newsletter of the Project CrowdWork

Nº 2

## Our 1<sup>st</sup> consortium report is ready

The [first report](https://crowd-work.eu/documents/) of the project CrowdWork is available to download in the documents page of our website (<https://crowd-work.eu/documents/>). The report consists of the literature review and a summary of the main actions of digital platform workers in our countries: Germany, Hungary, Portugal and Spain.

## Next steps

We are now in our 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the project. We will conduct interviews to actors related to the collective organisation of digital platform workers. We have now prepared common guidelines and questions to interview trade unions, alternative movements and workers of digital platforms in the participating countries.

However, the Covid-19 pandemic led us to delay our field interviews to representatives of workers of digital platforms. It also forced us to cancel our 1st international conference in Karlsruhe in April 2020. Meantime, we held three skype meetings to decide how to proceed with the project and adjust our procedures. We think the situation will improve in the near future and will be able to resume our activities meanwhile.

## Meeting in Barcelona

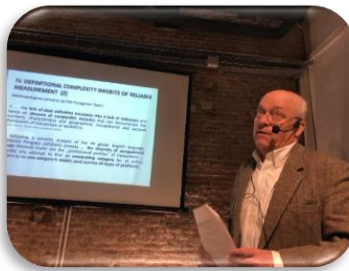
The work developed for our first report was presented and discussed in Barcelona in the 15<sup>th</sup> of November 2019, in a meeting organized by the NOTUS team in a coworking space rented for the occasion and with simultaneous interpretation (see photos).



## Meeting of the CrowdWork Project in Barcelona in 15/11/2019

### Agenda

9:00-09:10 Opening session & Welcome by Director of NOTUS  
9:10-09:50 Presentation of NOTUS report & discussion  
9:50-10:30 Presentation of ITAS/KIT report & discussion  
10:30-11:00 Coffee break  
11:00-11:40 Presentation of MTA TK report & discussion  
12:40-12:20 Presentation of NOVA report & discussion  
12:20-14:00 Lunch  
14:00-15:20 Selecting common platforms in Spain, Germany, Hungary and Portugal  
15:20-15:30 Communication and Dissemination, CICS.NOVA  
15:30-15:50 Quality control and monitoring, CICS.NOVA  
15:50 End of the meeting



## A brief summary of this project

The rising of work in digital platforms creates many difficulties to represent and organise workers of digital platforms, brings new challenges for the traditional forms of organise this labour and defies the European social model.

The goal of the project CrowdWork is to analyse strategies of trade unions and alternative unions, or movements, aiming to represent digital workers in Europe. It will reflect on strategies to organise and represent these workers, produce policy options ensuring social protections and labour rights, and elaborate new pathways for exploiting the potential positive effects of gig economy and platform-based work.

We will conduct four case studies per country about strategies of trade unions and alternative unions in four European countries representative of the Mediterranean, Centre-West and Eastern model of industrial relations in Europe (i.e. Portugal, Spain, Germany and Hungary).

The first deliverable (2.1) of the project on *“National reports of desk research and preliminary interviews (Work package 2)”* was finished in November 2019. Our second deliverable (2.2) *“1<sup>st</sup> Consortium project report”* is now also concluded.



Our **1<sup>st</sup> International Conference** will be held in November 2020 in Budapest, Hungary (provisional date)

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