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The issue opens with an essay by **Antonella Stirati** and **Walter Paternesi-Meloni**, exploring the long-term evolution of the **functional distribution of income in Italy**.

Next is the contribution by **Raffaele Guarino**, **Fiorenzo Martini**, and **Marco Bagliani**, who set out to reconstruct the debate around the **theories of value**, with a focus on the energy theory of value, on the basis of a partially closed Leontief model to include labour and Government into the transaction matrix.

Adriana Barone and **Cristian Barra** explore the **link between obesity and early school leaving**, concluding that, in the EU, an individual (aged between 18 and 24 years) who is obese has a higher probability of leaving school early.

Next is the essay by **Maria Letizia Pruna** and **Margherita Sabrina Perra**, which focuses on the **case of RWM Italia**, and presents the findings of the analysis of the conflict through which the value of work inside and outside that company's industrial plant took shape and meaning, in a complex sector such as the arms industry.

Luigi Di Cataldo, by adopting an interdisciplinary perspective and a deductive-inductive method, investigates the **nexus between the permanent connectivity of workers, the temporal dimension of the employment relationship, and the remuneration practices of platforms**, and provides some policy recommendations.

The essay by **Marielle Feenstra** and **Katharina Habersbrunner** deepens the insights into the **gender dimensions of energy poverty** by combining theory with practice, leveraging the empirical data collected in the framework of the H2020-funded EmpowerMed project.

Finally, **Marta Capesciotti** and **Roberta Paoletti** examine **in-work poverty in the EU**, adopting a **gender perspective**, and explaining the paradox according to which, based on the relevant Eurostat indicator, men are more at risk in Europe, although women are worse off in terms of quality of contractual conditions, wages, and unpaid care burden.

Book Reviews

G. Bucini, G. Corò, *Periferie competitive. Lo sviluppo dei territori nell'economia della conoscenza* (by Augusto Ninni)

M. Pianta (a cura di), *L'inflazione in Italia. Cause, conseguenze, politiche* – **F. Saraceno**, *Oltre le banche centrali. Inflazione, disuguaglianza e politiche economiche* (by Annamaria Simonazzi)