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The issue opens with a **monographic section**, edited and introduced by **Leonello Tronti**, dealing with **technological innovation and its impact on the nature, values, and organisation of work**. The contribution by **Emilio Bartezzaghi** is focused on **direct participation and its relationships with institutionalised forms of participation**, from representative to economic participation. The essay by **Giuseppe Della Rocca** is about the **evaluation of the performance results of public service action**. **Luciano Pero** analyses the **job classification system of the metalworking sector**, as set out in 1973 in the National Collective Bargaining Agreement, as well as the **innovations introduced in 2021**. The monographic section ends with **David Stark** and **Ivana Pais**'s contribution, which examines **algorithmic management in the platform economy**.

Next is the essay by **Bruno Anastasia, Giancarlo Corò, and Monica Plechero**, which shows how the **composition of the working class in manufacturing firms has changed over time** following the introduction of different types of digital technologies.

Can institutions orient the emergence of new needs, and, through their action, orient the economic system so as to meet such needs? This is the research question that **Giovanni Bonifati** tries to answer with his contribution.

The essay by **Margherita Russo, Claudia Cardinale Ciccotti, Fabrizio De Alexandris, Antonela Gjinaj, Giovanni Romaniello, Antonio Scatorchia, and Giorgio Terranova** proposes a comparative analysis of nine OECD countries, outlining the specific factors in each country's public policy that made the **use of tracking apps possible in the current pandemic context**.

The issue ends with **Riccardo Bellofiore** and **Francesco Garibaldo**'s contribution, which presents a theoretically oriented survey of three interpretative perspectives about the **European development and crisis**, proposed by different authors, arguing that the **pandemic** may shift the discussion, and open new perspectives in terms of political challenge and urgent tasks for action.

Book Reviews

G. Baglioni, *Benessere e fragilità. La mobilità sociale in Italia* (by **Emilio Reyneri**)

M. Gallegati, *Il mercato rende liberi e altre bugie del neoliberismo* (by **Leonello Tronti**)