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The issue opens with **Sebastiano Fadda**'s contribution on the **role played by institutions in the process of structural change with regard to composition and level of employment**.

Next is **Matteo Deleidi** and **Walter Paternes Meloni**'s essay, in which it is argued that **the supply-side perspective alone seems not to be sufficient to explain the Italian productivity slowdown**. In the light of such an assumption, the analysis is extended to the role of demand-side factors, providing some empirical findings that validate the Kaldor-Verdoorn law.

The contribution by **Felice Roberto Pizzuti** analyses **occupational welfare**, as well as the **social and economic policies implemented in Europe and in Italy**, and the **quantitative and qualitative trends of expenditure**.

Emiliano Mandrone and **Manuel Marocco**'s essay aims to conduct a **comparative analysis of the evolution of the employment services system** and of the **critical issues arising from the implementation of "Reddito di cittadinanza" (RdC)**, which is closely linked to that system.

Next is the contribution by **Federico Giorgi**, which focuses on the **recent developments in the Unemployment Allowance in Italy** following the reforms implemented in 2012 and 2015 with a view to innovating the Italian system of social safety nets.

What **type of institutional patterns and social effects** have emerged in relation to **protection and social security**? And what about the **key factors ensuring the stability of a capitalist type of welfare in the framework of a financialised economy**? These are the questions that **Francesca Bergamante** and **Massimo De Minicis** aim to answer in their contribution.

Claudio Gnesutta's essay focuses on the **scientific contribution of Fausto Vicarelli** (1936-1986), who, in reviving the "genuine" Keynesian theory, places at the core of his analytical framework and economic policy proposal, the **"accumulation crisis"** that has often affected Western economies.

The issue ends with **Mauro Leo Baranzini** and **Amalia Mirante**'s review-article assessing the scope and method of the *Palgrave Handbook of Political Economy* edited by I. Cardinale and R. Scazzieri.

Book Reviews

G. Celi, A. Ginzburg, D. Guarascio, A. Simonazzi, *Crisis in the European Monetary Union. A core-periphery perspective* (by Marco Causi)

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