

We begin 2023 with an eminently social issue that addresses the significant challenges facing society and which, without a doubt, must be dealt with from the Economic Science perspective of solving economic and social problems.

The issue begins with Bahar Bayraktar Sağlam's paper, "Empty Plates": Impacts of Food Prices, Inequality and Trade on Malnutrition", which addresses the problem of malnutrition and its relationship with different income levels using panel data from 150 countries over the 1960-2018 period. The second article, by Elena Martínez-Tola and Luz de la Cal Barredo: "Strategies and Values Towards Co-Responsibility in Care in European Countries", emphasises work-family reconciliation when there is pressure on the family and women as the actors who perform this role. The third, by Eduardo Garzón Espinosa, Bibiana Medialdea García, Esteban Cruz Hidalgo and Carlos Sánchez Mato, entitled "An International Empirical Study on the Fiscal Surplus from the Perspective of Sectoral Balances: Questioning the Current Fiscal Rules", challenges current fiscal rules as they do not consider the current account balance.

Next, Fernando de la Cruz Prego illustrates the importance of states in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, despite possible incompatibility with the capacity for action by authorities due to economic policy, in his article: "The Role of the State in the 2030 Agenda: An Economic Policy Approach". María Cruz Merino-Llorente, Noelia Somarriba Arechavala and Carmen García-Prieto illustrate the evolution of gender differences in recent years in the article "European Workers' Health and Well-Being: Do Gender Gaps Persist Between 2010 and 2015?". Finally, Kunyan Zhu focuses on rural China in his analysis defining the drivers of development and innovation in top-performing agribusinesses in the article "Drivers of Innovation and Development of Top Performing Agribusinesses in China".

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