

## Call for proposals for the journal *Travail et Emploi*

### *Special issue: “Evaluation of Active Labor Market Policies”*

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Faced with an increasing, then persistently high, level of unemployment over the past decades, a large number of OECD countries, notably in Europe, have implemented programs designed to help the unemployed and inactive to return to employment.

These so-called “active” labor market policies cover job search assistance, direct employment assistance (subsidized jobs, startup subsidies) and professional training. They differ from “passive” measures, which simply guarantee income to the unemployed.

Following up on the conference on active labor market policies organized by the Dares on February 14-15, 2013, a special issue of the journal *Travail et Emploi* is proposed on the theme of evaluation of active labor market policies, with an opening paper by David Card.

The special issue has two objectives. First, it presents different programs that have been implemented recently, in France and elsewhere, and their effectiveness in terms of getting people back to work. Second, it presents recent evaluations of these programs, focusing on the choice and presentation of the evaluation methodology adopted.

This call for proposals is addressed primarily to economists, and particularly to quantitative work on employment and labor economics. Sociological research can nevertheless be considered.

#### **To submit your article:**

Authors are invited to send their papers, in Word (or equivalent) format as an attachment, by e-mail to the editorial assistant of the journal, at [travail.emploi@travail.gouv.fr](mailto:travail.emploi@travail.gouv.fr) by **Monday, October 7, 2013**.

Articles can be of variable length (in general, they will be between 40,000 and 70,000 characters, including spaces) and must clearly present the research question, the materials used, the analysis techniques that have been employed and the results that are found. They must be accompanied by an abstract in French and in English (roughly 12 lines) and five or six keywords.

For further details on the presentation of articles, consult the [“normes graphiques”](#) page on the journal’s website.

The special issue, containing the revised and accepted papers, will appear in the first half of 2014.