

In the second of our series of interviews with LAB affiliates we asked [Dr Rachel Kurian](#) to explain the role of the state when it comes to protecting workers, and to consider why austerity has been the dominant response to economic crises in Europe.

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Why did austerity become the dominant response across Europe to economic crises?

What is the relationship between poverty and human development?

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Rachel Kurian

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