Dear Members, Dear Colleagues,

I hope you are all well and healthy.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, we have faced many challenges, and we have gained strong and successful experience with the organisation of online events, as expressed by the great success of our ERSA Web Conference of August.

Research development requires interaction between researchers. With online events, we are able to continue our work and exchange with colleagues around Europe and beyond. And although we all miss physical meetings, we are moving forward and keep going with the virtual tools we have at disposal.

ERSA has intensified its communication with its Sections and members, adapting its services and events according to this extraordinary situation. The organisation of our next winter school, next January, will prove that we are ready to support regional science research and impact.

I am confident that together we can come out stronger!

With best wishes,

André Torre
ERSA President

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News from the Sections

**New Board elected for the Nordic Section!**

Congratulations to the new board recently elected. We wish a lot of success to Martin and the entire new Board!

**Chair: Martin Andersson**, Blekinge Institute of Technology (BTH), Karlskrona, Swedish Entrepreneurship Forum, Stockholm and Lund University, Lund (SE)
"We are very happy to have reestablished the Nordic Section of ERSA. The new board will build on the strong tradition of regional science in the Nordic countries and work to further strengthen regional science and develop a strong Section of ERSA"
Martin Andersson

RSAI fellows 2020 recently revealed

We are proud to announce the election as RSAI fellows 2020 of two distinguished scholars from the ERSA Community: Prof. Jouke van Dijk, University of Groningen, The Netherlands, Prof. Juan R. Cuadrado-Roura, University of Alcalà, Spain. Our Warmest Congratulations!

Jouke and Juan have both proven and recognized research records in the field of regional science. Let's also highlight their great achievements within the RSAI-ERSA networks. We are proud and happy to have them among us for their continued support and advice! Learn more, read our interview

Upcoming Events

>>> On ERSA Agenda

18th European Week of Regions and Cities
Extra time to register and join us at #EURegionsWeek for the University programme. Don't miss out this last chance! Register now!

>>> #EURegionsWeekCollege 6-8 October 2020 Deadline extended until 1 October

>>> #EURegionsWeekUniversity 13-15 October 2020 Deadline extended until 7 October

ERSA-JRC Winter School 2021
Smart specialization. Linking global challenges to local implementation
26-28 January 2021, On line
1st Announcement!
Website and Call for Application to be published shortly, stay tuned in! more

We are very pleased to announce that this third edition of the Winter School will be organised in collaboration with the European Commission, Joint Research Centre (JRC) in Seville. Also thanks to the Spanish Section of ERSA, AECR, for its partnership.

>>> On ERSA Section Agendas

Portuguese Section: 25th APDR Workshop
Social Innovation Towards Sustainability: Embracing Contemporary Challenges for Regional Development
28 Sept-2 Oct 2020, Webinar
more

Russian Section: Conference
In Memory Alexander Granberg
10-15 October 2020, Novosibirsk, Russian Federation
more

Romanian Section: Webinar
20 October 2020 at 7 PM, Webinar
more

Hungarian Section: 18th Annual Meeting
Opportunities of Core and Peripheral Regions for their Sustainable Future
27-30 October 2020, Webinar
more

Russian Section: Conference 2020
The World in COVID-19: The Impact of the Pandemic on the Development of Countries and Regions
20-21 November 2020
more
Italian Section: 1st Winter School
European territorial challenges and regional policy: theories and methods
1-5 February 2021
more

German Speaking Section: 11th Summer Conference in Regional Science
structural change in rural and urban economies
Summer 2021
more

French Section: 57th ASRDLF Congress
European territorial challenges and regional policy: theories and methods
1st week of July 2021
more

British and Irish Section: 48th Annual Conference
5-8 July 2021, Stirling, Scotland
more

>>> Other events

International dialogue on good sustainability practices
6 October, 4pm-6pm
more

3rd International Workshop on Cluster Research
Rethinking Clusters: place-based initiatives for inclusive, Innovative and reflective societies
24-25 November 2020, Webinar
more

Future Days
Science and Public Policies for Cities
2-3 December 2020, Université Gustave Eiffel, Marne-la-Vallée, France
more

23rd Uddevalla Symposium 2021
The Geography of Creativity, Innovation, and Entrepreneurship – Implications for Regional Growth and
3rd European Rural geographies Conference
Rural Geographies in transition
22-24 June 2021, Groningen, The Netherlands
more

Upcoming events see all

ERSA YouTube Channel : Recently posted!

ERSA Web Conference 2020 Lectures

The ERSA Prize Keynote Lecture: Resilience and Inner Areas: is Covid19 an opportunity or a threat? Some preliminary reflections
Alessandra Faggian, GSSI, Italy
>> Download the presentation

Regional Imaginaries and the 'Europe of the Regions' Project
Simin Davoudi, Newcastle University, United Kingdom

The Making of the Modern Metropolis: Evidence from London
Daniel Sturm, London School of Economics, United Kingdom

Designing Smart Specialisation Strategies with Sub-Saharan Africa
Mafini Dosso, European Commission JRC, Spain

Link to ERSA YouTube Channel

Latest on ERSA Forum on Coronavirus

Read below the new contributions received for our Forum on Multiple Impacts of Coronavirus :

Regions in a time of pandemic
Raquel Ortega-Argilés, University of Birmingham
Translating Scientific Knowledge to Government Decision Makers Has Crucial Importance in the Management of the COVID-19 Pandemic
Katalin Gombos, Robert Herczeg, Balint Eross, Sandor Zsolt Kovacs, Annamaria Uzzoli, Tamas Nagy, Szabolcs Kiss, Zsolt Szakacs, Marcell Imrei, Andrea Szentesi, Aniko’ Nagy, Attila Fabin, Peter Hegyi, Attila Gyenesei and on behalf of the KETLAK consortium.

A first exploratory analysis of the regional economic impact of COVID-19 in Argentina
Andrés Niembro, Universidad Nacional de Río Negro and Carla Daniela Calá, Universidad Nacional de Mar del Plata, Argentina.

You want to share a contribution?
Email us at coronavirus@ersa.org

REGION CALL FOR SPECIAL ISSUE: REMINDER

REGION Call for a Special Issue on Space and Health
Deadline for full papers: 30 November 2020

ERSA Members Publish

Great minds in regional science
Edited by Peter Batey, University of Liverpool, Liverpool UK and David Plane, University of Arizona, USA; Springer Nature Switzerland AG, 2020

Agritourism, Wine Tourism, and Craft Beer Tourism
Local Responses to Peripherality Through Tourism Niches
Edited by Maria Giulia Pezzi, Gran Sasso Science Institute (GSSI), Italy, Alessandra Faggian, Gran Sasso Science Institute (GSSI), Italy, Neil Reid, University of Toledo, USA, Routledge, 2020

Read more
New publications to share?
Your are member of the ERSA Community and you have recently published a book, grasp this opportunity to inform us about it. We are looking for
- Books published in 2019-2020
- Written in English
Send an email to ersa.member@ersa.org

Vacancies

Looking for opportunities to boost your career?

- **Fully Funded PhD Project** (European/UK Students Only. Deadline: 30 September
- **Urban Economist** at the World Bank Group. Deadline: 9 October
- **Two Open Academic Positions** at the Universidad Católica del Norte (Chile). Deadline: 15 October
- **Trainee Positions** at Joint Research Center
- **Post-Doc proposal** “Quantitative assessment of the energy transition” at Paris School of Economics

See all ongoing offers

To Keep up-to-date with all events on the agenda, visit our upcoming events page on our website.