Dear Members of ERSA, dear Colleagues,

2020 has been a challenging year unlike any other for all.

I have been impressed by our community’s ability to adapt, pivot and move forward. And I am very proud of the many interesting initiatives made and events organized by ERSA Sections around Europe.

For the ERSA Board and Office, these unprecedented times have forced our team to be inventive, grasp new opportunities, and implement new digital solutions, changing our onsite events model into a virtual experience, and building new competencies. We believe that we have been able to keep the connection and respond to our community’s needs.

The pandemic is unfortunately not over, and we are conscious that there are still efforts to make in 2021. The already rich online Event agenda for the coming months, confirms our community’s intent to continue grasping every opportunity to advance research projects, meet, and exchange. Yet, I hope we will have the chance to meet you again in person as soon as possible and at the 60th ERSA Congress in Bolzano next August!

With best wishes. Stay safe and healthy!

André Torre
ERSA President
Speakers line-up:

Paolo Veneri  |  Alessandra Faggian  |  Lise-Bourdeau-Lepage

The webinar will be based on the result of the recent publication of OECD on Regions and cities at a glance. Join us online. Registration is free but mandatory.

Final Programme revealed

30 Smart Young researchers now selected for an outstanding programme of Lectures and laboratory Sessions!

Final Programme revealed
Call for Special Session Proposals - Deadline: 10 January 2021
Call for Abstracts and Papers Start: 15 January 2021

34th ERSA Summer School
Spatial Analysis of Regional Inequality
27 June - 3 July 2021, Groningen, Netherlands

Save the date, more details on the programme and the call for applications to be posted shortly on ERSA website

Bulgarian Section: New managing Board elected

On November 23, 2020, the Bulgarian Regional Science Association held its General Assembly and elected the new Managing board and this one elected as

Chairperson: Assoc. Prof. Kosyo Stoychev
Vice-Chairperson: Prof. Zvetana Stoyanova, PhD
Vice-Chairperson: Assoc. Prof. Nikolay Tzonkov, PhD

"I am very proud to have been elected as chair of BARI, and very enthusiastic to work alongside with the new Board to move forward regional science in Bulgaria. We also look forward to developing new collaborations with ERSA Sections in the coming months."

Kosyo Stoychev

Congratulations to Kosyo Stoychev and the entire new managing board!

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>>> Upcoming on ERSA Section Agendas

**Italian Section: 1st AISRe Winter School**
European territorial challenges and regional policy: theories and methods
1-5 February 2021, Milan, Italy
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**French Section: Doctoral Student Conference 2021**
24-26 February 2021, University of Poitiers, France
Submissions deadline: **15 January 2021**
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**Greek Section: Annual Conference 2021**
Regional Science in times the pandemic, economic crisis and uncertainty
25-26 June 2021, Athens, Greece
Save the date
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**German-speaking Section:**
11th Summer Conference in Regional Science
Structural change in rural and urban economies
1-2 July 2021, Braunschweig, Germany
Papers/Extended Abstracts submission between 15 January and 28 February 2021
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**RSAI British & Irish Section:**
48th Annual Conference
5-8 July, 2021, Stirling, United Kingdom
Abstracts submission deadline: **21 February 2021**
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**Italian Section: XLII AISRe Annual Scientific Conference**
Local Sustainable Development and Relaunch: What Role for Tradition and Innovation?
8-10 September 2021, Lecce, Italy
Call for Organised Sessions deadline: **31 January 2021**
Call for Abstracts/Posters deadline: **5 March 2021**
**AISRE AWARDS CALL 2021** to promote the dissemination of Regional Science among young scholars
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**Bulgarian Section:**
Annual Conference
Latest on ERSA Forum on Coronavirus

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

Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic in the Area of Tension between the Economy and Climate Change: A Case Study at Rural and City District Level in Southern Germany

Rolf Bergs, Moneim Issa, Policy Research & Consultancy, Germany.
07 December 2020

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

ERSA Members Publish

The Economic Geography of Cross-Border Migration

Edited by:
Karima Kourtit, Jheronimus Academy of Data Science’S-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands
Bruce Newbold, McMaster University Hamilton, Canada
Peter Nijkamp, Jheronimus Academy of Data Science’S-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands
Mark Partridge, The Ohio State University Columbus, USA

More information from the publisher

Une géographie visionnaire

Edited by:
Antoine Bailly, University of Genewa, Switzerland

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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 2020 - 2021
- Written in English
Send an email to eresa.member@ersa.org

Vacancies

Looking for opportunities to boost your career?
- **Research Fellow Urban Green Infrastructure**, AMS, Application deadline: 27 December 2020
- **The annual competitive examination for researchers positions at the CNRS**, France, Application deadline: January 7 2021

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