



38th Annual Conference of the Australia and New Zealand Regional Science Association International

CALL FOR PAPERS

ANZRSAI invites academics, practitioners and policy advisers interested in any aspect of regional science, regional development or regional policy to participate in our 38th annual conference, which will take place this year in Christchurch, New Zealand. ANZRSAI welcomes contributions on any topic related to regions. The core theme for this year's conference will focus on:

REGIONS IN RECOVERY: RESEARCH, PRACTICE AND POLICY

(CHRISTCHURCH, NZ, 1ST – 4TH DECEMBER 2014)



The conference will be held at the Novotel Hotel in Cathedral Square in the heart of the Christchurch Business District. Links to the home page for the conference and other relevant material can be obtained from the Association's own website at:

www.anzrsai.org

ANZRSAI is pleased to acknowledge sponsors who are contributing to our conference.





INVITATION FROM THE PRESIDENT

I am very excited to welcome you all to this year's 38th Annual ANZRS AI Conference in Christchurch, New Zealand. The *New York Times* has listed Christchurch as one of its top places to go in 2014, saying that "the city is experiencing a rebirth with creativity and wit – thanks to the ingenuity of its hardy residents" (<http://nyti.ms/1gtasH9>). But don't take their word for it; come and see for yourselves how a city and a region can respond to a devastating natural disaster.

I am grateful to our conference convenor, Professor Paul Dalziel, who will be hosting us in Christchurch, along with the Canterbury Development Corporation (the CDC, responsible for leading economic development on behalf of the Christchurch City Council). Paul is a former President of our Association with long experience in regional economic development. He is also the brother of Lianne Dalziel, who was a long-serving representative in the New Zealand Parliament before being elected as Mayor of Christchurch in 2013. Lianne Dalziel has agreed to give a keynote address at the conference.

Our location provides the inspiration for the core theme of our conference "Regions in Recovery". This theme includes examples where regions have found themselves needing to recover from a natural disaster, but it also points to the way in which policymakers in different parts of the world are rediscovering that national goals often require regional initiatives.

This will be an exciting conference. I hope that both the conference programme and its location will be an irresistible temptation to join us in December 2014.

Paul Collits
ANZRS AI President, 2013-2014

TIMETABLE

The indicative timetable for submitted papers and registration is as follows:

1 October 2014	Final date for submission of abstracts and proposals for sessions on particular topics.
17 October 2014	Final date for early bird registration. Draft conference programme on website.
31 October 2014	Final date for submission of full paper by authors wanting their contribution to be peer reviewed for the conference proceedings or considered for the best paper Awards.
7 November 2014	Final date for conference registration for paper presenters, for their paper to be confirmed in the programme.
24 November 2014	Final programme published on the conference website.
1 December 2014	Conference opens with a cocktail reception at 6:00pm.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The ANZRSAI Council invites contributions from academics, practitioners and policy advisors on any aspect of regional science for presentation at the conference. The programme will include *PowerPoint presentations*, *academic papers* (which may be peer reviewed) and *special sessions* on topics in regional science theory, regional development practice or regional planning policy. The conference includes an Awards Dinner on Wednesday 3 December, at which the following awards will be made.

- The John Dickinson Memorial Award for Best Paper in *AJRS*
- The ANZRSAI Award for Best Conference Paper
- The ANZRSAI Award for Best Conference Paper by a Student

The programme committee welcomes contributions that are a PowerPoint presentation, an academic paper, or a themed session made up of three presentations. Papers that are submitted in full by the 31st of October will be double-blind peer reviewed for publication in formal conference proceedings on the ANZRSAI website. Papers submitted to the conference may also be submitted to the Association's journal, the *Australasian Journal of Regional Science*, ranked as a tier B journal by the Australian Business Deans Council.

The first step is to submit an *Abstract* giving a brief introduction to the content of the contribution or proposed special session. The abstract should be no more than 150 words, explaining the topic of the contribution and its main points or conclusions. The abstract should make clear that the topic is suitable for a conference of people engaged in regional science theory, practice or policy. Decisions will be confirmed within **two weeks** of receipt.

To submit an abstract, please go to the following website:

<http://anzrsai.ssdev.delta.internetrix.net/conference/conference-2014/>

The programme committee welcomes submissions on any aspect of regional studies, but is particularly interested in research or case studies connected to the conference's core theme of ***Regions in Recovery***. Please note: Abstracts must be submitted by 1 October and early bird registration will end on 17 October.

CONFERENCE ACCOMMODATION

ANZRSAI has arranged a special rate of NZ\$195 per night for delegates who would like to book their accommodation at the conference venue (the Novotel hotel in Cathedral Square). To access this rate, which is available for nights between 29 November and 5 December, participants need to access the hotel chain's website at www.accorhotels.co.nz. They should enter Christchurch into the Destination box and then enter their arrival and checkout dates. Click on the Additional Search Criteria button, enter the preferential code **CHCPR**, and press **Search**.



To see a range of other accommodation options through an official website, delegates can access the Christchurch and Canterbury Tourism website.

www.christchurchnz.com/accommodation/

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The 38th Annual Conference will open with an early evening cocktail reception on Monday 1 December. This will be followed by two and a half days full of stimulating plenary addresses, parallel sessions of submitted papers, and a facilitated workshop on regional development policies in Christchurch city and the wider Canterbury region. This is an opportunity for ANZRSAI members and others interested in regional issues to share experiences and network with each other, to keep up-to-date with latest developments in regional research and to address important issues in regional planning.

At the time of issuing this first request for papers, the programme of plenary speakers is still being finalised. Once this is finalised, details will be published on the conference website at www.anzrsai.org.

Registration for the conference includes morning tea, lunches and afternoon tea as well as admission to all plenary and parallel sessions. It also includes complimentary membership of ANZRSAI for 2015.

There are two social events: an opening cocktail reception on the evening of Monday 1 December and the ANZRSAI Awards Dinner on Wednesday 3 December. The cocktail reception will be hosted by the Canterbury Development Corporation. The Awards Dinner will take place at the conference venue.

Please note: Fees are in Australian dollars.

	Fees
Standard Registration for full conference	A\$700.00
Early Bird Standard registration (paid before 17 October)	A\$600.00
Student or Emeritus Registration for full conference	A\$325.00
Registration for one day of the conference	A\$325.00
Conference Cocktail Reception (Monday 1 December, 6.00pm)	A\$30.00
ANZRSAI Awards Dinner (Wednesday 3 December, 6.00pm)	A\$120.00

To register for the conference, please go to:

<http://anzrsai.ssdev.delta.internetrix.net/conference/conference-2014/>

Queries about the conference can be sent to the conference convenor at the e-mail below:

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