

# Minutes

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RSAI MEETING PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, 2019  
RSAI Council Meeting – Nov. 15, 2019, Thursday, 12.30 pm-2.30 pm, room Parkview West

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## **1. Apologies**

Mark Partridge welcomes Council, members ex-officio members and invited members.

Council members attending the meeting include: Mark Partridge (RSAI President); Amit Batabyal (Councillor-at-large); Peter Stenberg (NARSC representative); Neil Reid (NARSC ED and representative); Sandy Dell’Erba (NARSC representative); Andrea Caragliu (RSAI Executive Director) Joke Van Dijk (ERSA Representative); André Torre (ERSA President and Representative); Laurie Schintler (Councillor-at-large); Tomaz Dentinho; Eduardo Haddad (Incoming President); Budy Resosudarmo (Immediate Past President); Rosella Nicolini (Councillor-at-large); Roberta Capello (PiRS EiC).

LRPC members include Jean-Claude Thill and Budy Resosudarmo  
Invited members include Xiumin Li (RSAC Vice-President).

## **2. Approval of the minutes of the Lyon meeting**

The Council unanimously approves the minutes of the Lyon meeting.

## **3. 2020 Budget**

Andrea Caragliu explains the guidelines that led to the way the proposed budget have been drafted. Sandy Dell’Erba inquires about where 79,000 of expected costs for the World Congress originate. Andrea Caragliu provides a breakdown of such costs.

The Council approves the proposed budget unanimously.

In addition, Mark Partridge stresses that our journals are very inexpensive, and with open access revenues are likely to decline; as a consequence, he wonders whether this situation is financially sustainable.

Mark Partridge also says that the Chilean section will have troubles paying their fees because their main source of revenues has expired for the year being. The Council agrees to waive the dues of the Chilean section for the ongoing year.

## **4. Elections of Councillors-at-large**

Andrea Caragliu reports on the results of the online ballot. On the basis of a broad participation by members, a large relative majority goes to Dr. Daniela Luminita Constantin (Romanian Section/ERSA). The Council welcomes Dr. Constantin on board.

## **5. Nurturing Talent initiatives**

Mark Partridge explains the procedure for the selection of new proposals, and the composition of the committee; for 2019, this is made up of Mark Partridge (RSAI President), Eduardo Haddad (President Elect), André Torre (ERSA President and delegate), Neil Reid (NARSC Executive Director and Delegate), Serena Eréndira Errano-Oswald (LARSA President and Delegate), Rachel Franklin (PRSCO President and delegate), and Andrea Caragliu (Executive Director).

Andrea Caragliu explains that the Committee received eight (8) candidatures. It reviewed such candidatures received prior to the RSAI Council meeting and on the basis of the rules for the distribution of funds approved by the RSAI Council held in Goa, 2018, proposes the following allocation of funds:

Worskhop/Summer school	Supranational of reference	Dates	Amount requested	RSAI proposal
ERSA summer school Lausanne	ERSA	June 15-19, 2020	€ 5,000.00	€ 5,000.00
PRSCO summer institute Vietnam	PRSCO	July 29-31, 2020	€ 6,000.00	€ 3,000.00
Acores institute on oceans	ERSA	July 1-4, 2020	€ 3,000.00	€ 2,000.00
Data science, machine learning and BigData (Morocco)	ERSA	June 1-2, 2020	€ 3,800.00	€ 3,000.00
Iasi workshop for young researchers	ERSA	May 13-15, 2019	€ 5,000.00	€ 3,000.00
VU-Indonesia workshop on transportation economics	PRSCO	Jan. 13-Feb.7, 2020	€ 5,571.00	€ 4,500.00
India workshop "Resilience Studies in Regional Science"	PRSCO	TBD	€ 7,800.00	€ 2,500.00
<i>Thailand workshop Spatial Agent-Based Modeling</i>	<i>PRSCO</i>	<i>June/July 2020</i>	<i>€ 5,500.00</i>	<i>€ 3,000.00</i>
?	<i>NARSC</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>€ 1,860.00</i>

André Torre appreciates the process on behalf of ERSA. He also adds that the Vietnamese proposal could be complemented by a more detailed description of the proposed activities, but that he also expects PRSCO to support the organization of this event.

Mark Partridge elicits candidatures from China.

Jouke Van Dijk also agrees that the process went smoother with respect to previous years. He also adds that criteria should be set – are these Nurturing Talent initiatives meant to support keynote speeches or rather young scholars? Should they be separate from conferences held or back-to-back to them?

Mark Partridge replies a format for proposals should be uploaded online. He would also have a policy to decide in favor or against repeated applications. Jouke Van Dijk adds that criteria are important also for people submitting a proposal.

Roberta Capello adds that if money is made available, these issues will not represent a problem; if instead two or more competing proposals are presented, then preference should be directed towards new initiatives. Amit Batabyal adds that the Committee should decide on the basis of the pure quality of the proposal.

Budy Resosudarmo adds that RSAI should concentrate on the goal of the activities. Amit Batabyal adds that a format would definitely help on this respect. André Torre adds that RSAI should also choose whether to fund independent initiatives or instead prefer those backed up by congress organizers. Andrea Caragliu explains the complications that this procedure bears especially for institutions located in developing countries.

Eduardo Haddad says that the RSAI should show some flexibility, especially in the experience of developing countries. Jouke Van Dijk adds that summer schools are typically longer than a single day. Mark Partridge suggests to select whether we want to subsidize congresses or not, indirectly.

After this fruitful discussion, the RSAI Council unanimously approves the proposed allocation of funds.

## **6. Status of the World Congress**

Mark Partridge explains that to date 116 submissions have been received and that the deadline for early submissions has been moved to Jan. 21, 2020. Prof. Li reports that Paul Snow guarantees participation from Chinese scholars. Tomaz Dentinho proposes to open the call for applications. Mark Partridge replies that the LRPC suggests to hold the voting in Bolzano, during the 2020 RSAI Council to be held at the ERSA Congress. Sandy Dall'Erba asks whether the RSAI considers whether to merge the World Congress with a Supranational event.

Budy Resosudarmo proposes to add a schedule letting people know when things are going to be done.

## **7. Strategic planning**

Mark Partridge explains that in Sao Paolo in 2008 the Council, in response to the challenge by the Regional Studies Association, set up a committee to see how to restructure the RSAI itself. He proposes to set up a strategic planning meeting in a process, dealing with the challenges and opportunities, like the growth in numbers; the growth in supnationals (soon to be 5); having a professional staff doing everyday chores. The supraregional associations' relations with the RSAI are also unclear. Relations are often bilateral. The RSAI also deals with competition from the competing learnt societies, and wonders how to tackle that challenge in the future.

Mark Partridge also suggests to involve the supnationals in this process. Representatives could be selected among one representative from each supranational (plus one from the emerging Continental Asia suprasection), plus a member of the LRPC (to this goal, he proposes Jean-Claude Thill). Various meetings could be held, the first in PRSCO/Hawaai congress due March 2020. Qualified majorities will be required (e.g. 2/3) for any item on a report to be ideally delivered at the forthcoming NARSC Congress in San Diego, Nov. 2020.

Sandy Dell'Erba says that if we want to move to a professional help we should think of how much costs this would bear, for which a possible solution could be to share the costs of professional consultants already hired by other Associations (he makes the example of the American Planners Association). Another point is related to communication. A suggestion could be to put up minutes online.

André Torre adds that many items should be discussed related to the RSAI-Supnationals relations. Roberta Capello says it is good to think of where we are now. Still, we have to clarify what we want out of this costly exercise. In 2008, she reports she was involved in a similar exercise with Roger Stough and Peter Batey. The committee had a specific mandate, i.e. to deal with competition from other learnt societies. The committee was asked to jot down a white paper on that specific issue. She adds that

with such a broad mandate there would be too much material to be revised. She claims things are connected.

Jouke Van Dijk strengthens Mark Partridge's position: the main goal of this committee should be to define what the aim of the RSAI is. Then the strategy to reach the goal would come as a consequence, and, lastly, the way to finance such goal should also be discussed.

Mark Partridge replies that this must be a rather practical procedure. Rosella Nicolini agrees that the foundations of the Association should be scrutinized. Only then we would need a second step. In fact, if we go for a decentralized institutional setting, this means a higher coordination effort would be needed.

Amit Batabyal adds that the costs of professionalization would be substantial, as also suggested by his experience with other professional associations. Budy Resosudarmo talks on behalf of PRSCO saying that PRSCO is changing substantially, also through its splitting. The transition, also with a forthcoming new Executive Director, would be smoother if RSAI were a stable organization. Because of the state they are in, no proposal would come from PRSCO, arguably.

Tomaz Dentinho fears that if the RSAI opts for a different structure, people from developing Countries may find it hard to join. Mark Partridge replies that the committee would first have to agree on a joint proposal, to be discussed by the LRPC, the Council, and the Supranationals. Jouke Van Dijk adds that if we ask the Committee binary options, this may help. André Torre adds it is time to think together about the future of RSAI, especially in terms of governance. Will we elect the President on a rotation basis? Also, do we associate the World Congress with existing supranationals? Roberta Capello replies that this is too much to be discussed, but Mark Partridge says everything is interconnected and needs to be tackled simultaneously.

Roberta Capello adds the RSAI President should be attending these meetings, and she also wonders what role the LRPC would play in the light of this committee's activities. Mark Partridge replies that the Committee, appointed by the RSAI Council, will have to report to the RSAI Council in Morocco in 2020, at a meeting joint with the LRPC. He concludes he does not want to look like he has a conflict of interest. André Torre adds that this procedure should not be followed too quickly. One way out could be to have the Committee come up with a list of items to be discussed in Marrakech at the RSAI Council meeting to be held at the 2020 World Congress.

Mark Partridge summarizes that a Committee, possibly chaired by Jean-Claude Thill, will work towards presenting a set of themes that it would want to address. Jean-Claude Thill points out that priorities among them should be suggested. This body could not suggest to add fundamental changes to the Constitution, that changes only with the vote of the members. Sandy Dall'Erba adds that deadlines should be set for making the Committee work on a timely basis.

The Council unanimously agrees on the summary proposed and on setting up the Committee.

## **8. Replacement of Eduardo Haddad as Editor of PiRS**

Roberta Capello explains that Eduardo Haddad stepped down as PiRS editor because of his incoming position as RSAI Vice-President. She asked Julie Le Gallo to cover the same themes and if the Council agrees she is ready to take up the job. The Council unanimously approves the new Editorial Board for PiRS.

## **9. Awards**

### **❖ Kohno Award (Budy Resosudarmo)**

Budy Resosudarmo reports the Council that there is no candidature for the present year, and he adds that candidatures are welcome.

### **❖ Jean Paelinck Award (Roberta Capello)**

Roberta Capello reports about the process that will lead by the Fall term to the selection of the awardee of this prestigious biannual award.

### **❖ RSAI dissertation competition (Laurie Schintler)**

Laurie Schintler reports that less applications (5) were received w.r.t. previous years. She will report to the Council about the outcome of the selection process as soon as it is done.

### **❖ Stan Czamanski award (Laurie Schintler)**

Laurie Schintler reports that one application only was received, but that the one received was qualitatively good. She also suggests to move the deadline to the same deadline as the dissertation award. Also, some misperceptions seem to exist about the award, which is not about the man per se. Neil Reid adds that the funds committed for the award are running out. Sandy Dall'Erba suggests to maintain the award without any money involved. Laurie Schintler also suggests to merge the two committees.

## **10. Diversity in RSAI: collecting data on gender and age**

Andrea Caragliu explains that these data will be collected by the RSAI, ensuring full privacy of the members, upon registering new members each year.

## **11. Amendment of RSAI By-Law 6: deadline for the RSAI Treasurer**

Andrea Caragliu proposes to review the by-law 6 discussing the duties of the RSAI Treasurer. This is the only position that still has no deadline. He proposes to set it to three years as the ED, for guaranteeing transparency and accountability. The Council unanimously agrees.

## **12. Proposal of restructuring of the RSPP Editorial Board**

Tomaz Dentinho (RSPP EiC) explains he wants the editors to be extended by six with more people on board, leveraging on special issues, keeping an eye to the fact that Wiley does not impose a limit to the number of issues per year. Tomaz Dentinho reports RSPP is still missing Asia coverage. The Council votes unanimously in favor of the new team.

## **13. RSAI Application for the UN-Habitat program in Ethiopia**

Tomaz Dentinho explains the Council about this possible opportunity for joining initiatives in Africa, where the coverage of RSAI local sections is very limited. The Council approves.

## **14. Abolition of RSPP best referee award**

Tomaz Dentinho proposes to abolish the award because it did not serve well the purpose of eliciting the referees' work. The Council unanimously agrees on dropping the award.

## **15. Request of RSAI sponsorship for the International Congress Rhegion UN 2020-2030**

The RSAI Council endorses (non-financial) support to this initiative.

### **16. Report of the RSAI Archivist**

Mark Partridge explains Peter Batey's proposal. The Council unanimously approves.

### **17. Proposal for the RSPP Special Issue Award**

Tomaz Dentinho explains

### **18. AOB**

None to be reported.

### **19. Next meeting**

Andrea Caragliu tells the Council that the 2020 RSAI Council meetings will be held in:

- ❖ Marrakech, World Congress (June 2-5, 2020)
- ❖ Bolzano, ERSA Congress (Aug. 25-28, 2020)
- ❖ San Diego, NARSC Congress (Nov. 11-14, 2020)

At 2.42 Mark Partridge adjourns the Council.

## Annex 1: RSAI Council Members

### 2019 RSAI Council Members

	Name	Member	Period	
1	Mark Partridge	President	2019-2020	<a href="mailto:partridge.27@osu.edu">partridge.27@osu.edu</a>
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3	Rachel Franklin	PRSCO President	2019-2020	<a href="mailto:rachel.franklin@newcastle.ac.uk">rachel.franklin@newcastle.ac.uk</a>
4	Lily Kiminami	PRSCO Representative	2018-2020	<a href="mailto:kiminami@agr.niigata-u.ac.jp">kiminami@agr.niigata-u.ac.jp</a>
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14	Eduardo Haddad	LARSA Representative	2017-2019	<a href="mailto:ehaddad@usp.br">ehaddad@usp.br</a>
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16	Sumana Bandyopadhyay	Councillor at large	2018-2020	<a href="mailto:sumona_bm@yahoo.com">sumona_bm@yahoo.com</a>
17	Rosella Nicolini	Councillor at large	2018-2020	<a href="mailto:Rosella.nicolini@uab.cat">Rosella.nicolini@uab.cat</a>
18	Maria Abreu	Councillor at large	2019-2021	<a href="mailto:ma405@cam.ac.uk">ma405@cam.ac.uk</a>
19	Laurie Schintler	Councillor at large	2017-2019	<a href="mailto:lschintl@gmu.edu">lschintl@gmu.edu</a>
20	Andrea Caragliu	Executive Director	2019-2021	<a href="mailto:andrea.caragliu@polimi.it">andrea.caragliu@polimi.it</a>

### LRPC Members

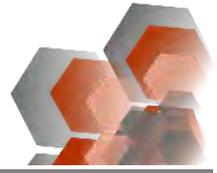
1	Peter Nijkamp	President	1991 – 1992	<a href="mailto:pnijkamp@feweb.vu.nl">pnijkamp@feweb.vu.nl</a>
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11	Jean-Claude Thill	President	2013-2014	<a href="mailto:Jean-Claude.Thill@uncc.edu">Jean-Claude.Thill@uncc.edu</a>
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13	Budy Resosudarmo	President	2017-2018	<a href="mailto:budy.resosudarmo@anu.edu.au">budy.resosudarmo@anu.edu.au</a>
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### Invited Members

1	Xiumin Li	RSAC Vice-President	<a href="mailto:lixm@nenu.edu.cn">lixm@nenu.edu.cn</a>
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## Annex 1

### Apologies

As of Nov.11, 2019 the Executive Director has received three emails, from Prof. Lily Kiminami, Prof. Serena Erendira-Serrano Oswald, and Prof. Brian Kim, announcing they would not join the Pittsburgh Council meeting.

For people willing to participate in the meeting via Skype, you can reach me at my personal account (live:2df2ec59b4e20a75). If you plan to do so, please let me know by email ([andrea.caragliu@polimi.it](mailto:andrea.caragliu@polimi.it)) beforehand.

# Minutes

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RSAI MEETING LYON, FRANCE, 2019

RSAI Council Meeting – Aug. 29, 2019, Thursday, 2 pm-4 pm, room MILC 410

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## **1. Apologies**

Mark Partridge welcomes Council members ex-officio members and invited members.

Council members attending the meeting include: Mark Partridge (RSAI President); Rachel Franklin (PRSCO President), Lily Kiminami (PRSCO Representative), Brian Kim (PRSCO Representative), Jouke Van Dijk (ERSA Representative), Francisco Carballo-Cruz (ERSA Representative and Treasurer stepping down), Andre Torre (ERSA President), Eduardo Haddad (LARSA representative), Amit Batabyal (Councillor at Large), Laurie Schindler (Councillor at Large, on-line), Rosella Nicolini (Councillor at Large); Sandy Dall’Erba (NARSC Representative), Peter Stenberg (NARSC Representative), Sumana Bandyopadhyay (Councillor at Large), Maria Abreu (Councillor at Large), and Andrea Caragliu (RSAI Executive Director).

Ex-officio members attending the meeting include: Roberta Capello (PiRS EiC, LRPC member) and Martijn Smit (RSAI Newsletter Editor).

Invited members attending the meeting include: Abdellatif Khattabi (AMSR President, Chair of the LOC of the 2020 Marrakech World Congress), and Carlos Azzoni (RSPP Editorial Board member).

Apologies from Council Members: Neil Reid (NARSC Executive Director) and Serena Eréndira Serrano Oswald (LARSA President).

## **2. Approval of the minutes of the San Antonio meeting**

The minutes of the Council meeting held in San Antonio, circulated two weeks before the Lyon meeting, are unanimously approved.

## **3. Report and Accounts of 2018**

Tomaz Dentinho is not participating in the Council. The document reporting on the 2018 budget is discussed by Mark Partridge, who stresses that RSAI evolved from less than 1,000 members at the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century to roughly 4,500 members now. Andrea Caragliu adds that on the basis of the balance sheets frequently updated by the Administrative staff the RSAI’s finances are in good shape.

Jouke Van Dijk congratulates on the new contract signed by RSAI with Wiley, which is supposed to deliver additional funding. Mark Partridge stresses that this is the result of a long lasting and intense bargaining process led on the side of the RSAI by Jean-Claude Thill. Sandy Dall’Erba asks how long the contract will be in service. Mark Partridge replies it is going to last 5 years. Roberta Capello adds she is very pleased by the renewed effort on the side of the RSAI in drastically reducing the backlog of online first papers.

#### **4. Election of RSAI President Elected 2019/Vice President 2020/President 2021-2022**

Eduardo Haddad is requested to leave the room.

The Council proceeds with the ballot. Eduardo Haddad wins a majority of the valid votes. Eduardo Haddad is elected President Elect.

Mark Partridge welcomes back Eduardo Haddad in the room and congratulates him on the new position. Eduardo Haddad says he will do his best to pay back the trust received.

#### **5. Election of new Treasurer**

Mark Partridge explains that Francisco Carballo-Cruz has decided to step down from his position as RSAI Treasurer. He also explains he contacted some potential candidates and that eventually the name is proposed is that of Serena Eréndira Serrano Oswald (LARSA President). Prof. Serrano Oswald's CV has been circulated prior to the Council meeting. A discussion of Serena Eréndira's qualifications took place.

Carlos Azzoni adds that Serena Eréndira is organizing the 2019 joint AMECIDER/LARSA meeting in Mexico City. Eduardo Haddad adds that he discussed with Serena Eréndira this possibility, and that he fully supports her candidature. Roberta Capello argues that the absence of a deadline for this position is a bit odd, and advises to modify by-law 6, where a maximum duration of this position could be added (e.g. 3 years). This item will be discussed at future RSAI Council meetings.

Prof. Eréndira Serrano Oswald is unanimously elected as new RSAI Treasurer.

#### **6. Candidates for Councillor at Large 2020-2022**

Mark Partridge synthesizes the profile of the three candidatures received for the only position as Councillor-At-Large available from Jan. 1 2020. The roster includes Prof. Garduno-Rivera (Mexico), Prof. Daniela Luminita-Constantin (Romania), and Prof. Yang Kaizhong (China). All candidates are deemed perfectly suitable for the job and the Council approves to have them voted with an online ballot after the deadline for submitting candidatures.

Maria Abreu asks whether the deadline for candidatures has expired. Andrea Caragliu replies candidatures are open until September 1, 2019. Further discussion of the candidates took place.

Andrè Torre suggests to summarize the discussion. Mark Partridge proposes to do as follows:

- Prof. Kaizhong cannot be appointed without an official election;
- Elections will take place on a regular basis;
- In case the outcome will see an election of Prof. Luminita-Constantin or Prof. Garduno-Rivera, he will get in touch with Prof. Kaizhong to test his willingness to join the RSAI Council for one year (2020) as an observer, in order to gradually get into RSAI matters and improve the RSAC's knowledge of how internal RSAI matters work.

Andrea Caragliu concludes saying that results of the election are going to be released online and officially reported to the Council in Pittsburgh.

## **7. Report of the RSAI Restructuring Committee**

Mark Partridge explains that the Committee met on Aug. 27, 2019 in Lyon. The meetings was attended by Mark Partridge (President), Kingsley Haines (LRPC member representative), Rachel Franklin (PRSCO delegate), Sumana Bandyopadhyay (IRSA Representative), Brian Kim (KRSA Representative), and Paul Snow (RSAC Representative) Geoffrey Hewings apologized for not being able to attend.

The main outcome of the meeting as reported by Mark Partridge are the following:

- For a temporary three-years period, PRSCO will accommodate all new sections recently formed, or currently forming, in the greater Asian region (thus also encompassing IRSA and RSAC).
- After this three-years period the larger PRSCO will split, to form two separate new supranationals; one, still with the name of PRSCO and that will arguably be similar to the current PRSCO, and another one, tentatively named Asian Regional Science Association (ARSA), with a main focus on central and continental Asia. Clearly, national sections will be free to decide to which supranational section they will confer.
- The possibility is left open for some of this sections to participate in both after-probation-period supranationals, following the model of WRSA (currently member of both NARSC and PRSCO).
- A lean team made up of Sumana Bandyopadhyay (IRSA Representative), Brian Kim (KRSA Representative), and Paul Snow (RSAC Representative) is suggested to handle all technical and managerial details of the new institutional setting. The team is expected to work from remote, meet as frequently as possible at major RSAI meetings, and report frequently to the RSAI Council about any progress during the probation period.

Rachel Franklin adds to this that individual member sections will be free to decide to which supranational they will participate. Jouke Van Dijk stresses that double membership (as presently allowed for WRSA) is an odd circumstance. Roberta Capello adds that she wishes double membership will be allowed only during the transition period. Rachel Franklin replies that she has no power to suggest where WRSA should eventually fall.

André Torre also adds that while it will be the RSAI Council's wish to avoid as much as possible double membership after the future split of PRSCO, it will crucial to explain country members the risks associated to double membership and the benefits due to one unique membership in either new supranational.

## **8. Status of the organization of the 2020 World Congress**

Mark Partridge asks Abdellatif Khattabi to report on the status of the organization of the 2020 World Congress.

Abdellatif Khattabi reports on the choice of the location (Mogador Palace Agdal, Marrakech, Morocco), with which a tentative agreement has already been set. Material on the web site is also being collected. He also reports that Mark Partridge and Andrea Caragliu successfully visited the congress premises in February and found it very attractive. Four keynote speakers have already confirmed their willingness to participate in the congress, with four of them (Alessandra Faggian, GSSI, Italy; Siqi Zheng, MIT, USA; Edward Glaeser, Harvard University, USA) already officially accepting the LOC's invitations, while a fourth speaker is still to be officially confirmed. André Torre adds he would like ERSA to be involved in the organization of the congress, since Morocco is an ERSA section.

Francisco Carballo-Cruz asks the reasons for a partial overlapping with the Portuguese section congress. Mark Partridge replies that calendar of RSAI activities is very dense, and no overlapping is almost impossible. Francisco Carballo-Cruz also asks why the congress was moved from the initial proposal of early April 2020 to

early June. Mark replies that this was done in order to avoid holding the world congress barely two weeks after the joint WRSA/PRSCO meeting in Hawaii, which would have prevented many Japanese and NARSC members from participating in the world congress. He also adds that similar prior experiences (e.g. the Bratislava ERSA congress and the Timisoara world congress both held in 2012) proved to be very successful and that no competition between the two events was felt.

Abdellatif Kahattabi leaves the room.

### **9. PiRS report 2019 (Roberta Capello)**

Roberta Capello explains that PiRS is doing very well. The backlog of online first papers has been dramatically decreased, and a new impact factor above 2 recently released makes PiRS among the most highly cited journals in the field. She adds that according to Scimago, in 2018 the total citations grew from 258 to 323. PiRS is now in the best quartile for what concerns both Environmental Science and Geography, Planning and Development. Finally, she adds that the total number of submissions has grown from 265 to 288, with a rather substantial rejection rate around 76%.

### **10.RSPP Report 2019 (Tomaz Dentinho)**

On behalf of Tomaz Dentinho, Carlos Azzoni says that RSPP is improving, although the expected impact factor is slightly declining. He also adds that the board has plans to expand the editorial board to make it more gender balanced in line with the Association's membership.

André Torre urges the RAI to further strengthen the efforts towards the inclusion of more women in key positions.

### **11.Awards**

Given time limits, item 11 is skipped and postponed for discussion to the Pittsburgh Council.

### **12.Diversity in RAI**

Mark Partridge reports on the analyses he and Andrea Caragliu carried out over the summer to verify the extent to which women and different geographical origins of our members are effectively involved in the organization and management of RAI matters. Statistics suggest that a higher-than-average share of women hold key positions (such as editorial board memberships, award committees, etc.), and the same applies to ERSA representatives with respect to other supranationals. However, the issue is important and he proposes the formation of a committee to regularly monitor the evolution of this matter.

Rachel Franklin argues that the problem has been on the table for quite some time and that she sees little progress. She also adds it would be important to start collecting information on the gender and age of RAI members, and that more women should be coopted to RAI activities, committees, and awards. Lastly, she also suggests to set up a quota system whereby for each award and committee a given share of positions is reserved for women.

Amit Batabyal also stresses he feels there exists also a racial bias in the life of the Association, which needs to be addressed.

Maria Abreu adds that all diversity dimensions should indeed be addressed, in order to guarantee maximum diversity in the Association activities. In this sense, Jouke Van Dijk advises to consider renewing the institutional framework of the RAI, in order to create a more modern structure capable of dealing with these issues.

Rosella Nicolini suggests caution in setting quotas for women, since this would prompt the Council to potentially select people not up to the complexity of the task undertaken.

### **13.Constraints in the decision-making for selecting Committee members**

This item is not discussed because of the lack of time.

### **14.Activation of the Committee for selecting Nurturing Talent Initiatives proposals**

Andrea Caragliu notifies the Council that after a council decision made at the Cork council meeting in 2018 a selection committee, made up of the RSAI President, President Elect, Executive Director, and one representative for each supranational, was tasked the selection of nurturing talent initiatives submitted each year to the RSAI.

André Torre welcomes this decision and looks forward to the works of the Committee. Andrea Caragliu reminds the Council that the deadline for receiving nurturing talent applications is Nov. 4, 2019; hence, the Committee will have to make relatively quick decisions within roughly a week, so that they get discussed and approved by the RSAI Council during the Pittsburgh meeting.

### **15.AOB**

The Council has no other item to discuss.

### **16.Next meeting**

The RSAI Council is reconvening in Pittsburgh, PA, during the NARSC Congress (Nov. 13-16). A final date will be communicated by the Executive Director via email.

Having no other business to discuss, at 4.37 p.m. the Council meeting is dismissed.

## Annex 1: RSAI Council Members

### 2019 RSAI Council Members

	Name	Member	Period	
1	Mark Partridge	President	2019-2020	<a href="mailto:partridge.27@osu.edu">partridge.27@osu.edu</a>
2	Rachel Franklin	PRSCO President	2019-2020	<a href="mailto:rachel_franklin@brown.edu">rachel_franklin@brown.edu</a>
3	Lily Kiminami	PRSCO Representative	2018-2020	<a href="mailto:kiminami@agr.niigata-u.ac.jp">kiminami@agr.niigata-u.ac.jp</a>
4	Brian Kim	PRSCO Representative	2019-2021	<a href="mailto:briankim66@snu.ac.kr">briankim66@snu.ac.kr</a>
5	Neil Reid	NARSC Executive Director	2018-2020	<a href="mailto:neil.reid@utoledo.edu">neil.reid@utoledo.edu</a>
6	Peter Stenberg	NARSC Representative	2019-2021	<a href="mailto:nordacad13@gmail.com">nordacad13@gmail.com</a>
7	Sandy Dall'erba	NARSC Representative	2019-2021	<a href="mailto:dallerba@illinois.edu">dallerba@illinois.edu</a>
8	Andre Torre	ERSA President	2019-2022	<a href="mailto:andre.torre@wanadoo.fr">andre.torre@wanadoo.fr</a>
9	Francisco Carballo Cruz	ERSA Representative	2017-2019	<a href="mailto:fcaballo@eeg.uminho.pt">fcaballo@eeg.uminho.pt</a>
10	Jouke Van Dijk	ERSA Representative	2019	<a href="mailto:jouke.van.dijk@rug.nl">jouke.van.dijk@rug.nl</a>
11	Serena Erendira Serrano	LARSA President	2018-2020	<a href="mailto:sesohi@hotmail.com">sesohi@hotmail.com</a>
12	Jaime Bonet	LARSA Representative	2017-2019	<a href="mailto:jbonetmo@banrep.gov.co">jbonetmo@banrep.gov.co</a>
13	Eduardo Haddad	LARSA Representative, President Elect	2017-2019	<a href="mailto:ehaddad@usp.br">ehaddad@usp.br</a>
14	Amit Batabyal	Councillor at large	2018-2020	<a href="mailto:aabgsh@rit.edu">aabgsh@rit.edu</a>
15	Sumana Bandyopadhyay	Councillor at large	2018-2020	<a href="mailto:sumona_bm@yahoo.com">sumona_bm@yahoo.com</a>
16	Rosella Nicolini	Councillor at large	2018-2020	<a href="mailto:Rosella.nicolini@uab.cat">Rosella.nicolini@uab.cat</a>
17	Maria Abreu	Councillor at large	2019-2021	<a href="mailto:ma405@cam.ac.uk">ma405@cam.ac.uk</a>
18	Laurie Schintler	Councillor at large	2017-2019	<a href="mailto:lschintl@gmu.edu">lschintl@gmu.edu</a>
19	Andrea Caragliu	Executive Director	2019-2021	<a href="mailto:andrea.caragliu@polimi.it">andrea.caragliu@polimi.it</a>

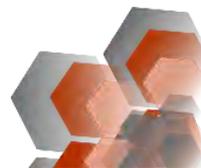
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1	Peter Nijkamp	President	1991 – 1992	<a href="mailto:pnijkamp@feweb.vu.nl">pnijkamp@feweb.vu.nl</a>
2	Lay J. Gibson	President	1993-1994	<a href="mailto:ljjgibson@ag.arizona.edu">ljjgibson@ag.arizona.edu</a>
3	Kingsley E. Haynes	President	1995-1996	<a href="mailto:khaynes@gmu.edu">khaynes@gmu.edu</a>
4	Peter W. J. Batey	President	1997-1998	<a href="mailto:pwjbatey@liv.ac.uk">pwjbatey@liv.ac.uk</a>
5	H.Khono	President	1999-2000	
6	Geoffrey J.D.Hewings	President	2001-2002	<a href="mailto:hewings@uiuc.edu">hewings@uiuc.edu</a>
7	Antoine Bailly	President	2003-2004	<a href="mailto:antoine.bailly@unige.ch">antoine.bailly@unige.ch</a>
8	Robert J. Stimson	President	2005-2006	<a href="mailto:rstimson@unimelb.edu.au">rstimson@unimelb.edu.au</a>
9	Roger R. Stough	President	2007-2008	<a href="mailto:rstough@gmu.edu">rstough@gmu.edu</a>
10	Roberta Capello	President	2009-2010	<a href="mailto:roberta.capello@polimi.it">roberta.capello@polimi.it</a>
11	Yoshiro Higano	President	2011-2012	<a href="mailto:higano@jsrsai.jp">higano@jsrsai.jp</a>
12	Jean-Claude Thill	President	2013-2014	<a href="mailto:Jean-Claude.Thill@uncc.edu">Jean-Claude.Thill@uncc.edu</a>
13	Andres Rodriguez Pose	President	2015-2016	<a href="mailto:a.rodriquez-pose@lse.ac.uk">a.rodriquez-pose@lse.ac.uk</a>
14	Budy Resosudarmo	President	2017-2018	<a href="mailto:budy.resosudarmo@anu.edu.au">budy.resosudarmo@anu.edu.au</a>
15	Mark Partridge	President Elected	2017-2020	<a href="mailto:partridge.27@osu.edu">partridge.27@osu.edu</a>

### RSAI Ex-Officio Members

1	Roberta Capello	Editor in Chief of PIRS		<a href="mailto:roberta.capello@polimi.it">roberta.capello@polimi.it</a>
2	Tomaz Dentinao	Editor in Chief of RSPP		<a href="mailto:tomas.lc.dentinao@uac.pt">tomas.lc.dentinao@uac.pt</a>
3	Peter W. J. Batey	Archivist		<a href="mailto:pwjbatey@liv.ac.uk">pwjbatey@liv.ac.uk</a>
4	Martjin Smit	Newsletter Editor		<a href="mailto:M.J.Smit@uu.nl">M.J.Smit@uu.nl</a>
5	Graham Clarke	Newsletter Editor		<a href="mailto:G.P.Clarke@leeds.ac.uk">G.P.Clarke@leeds.ac.uk</a>
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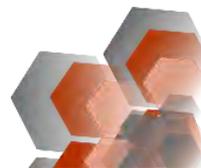
<b>7</b>	Serena Eréndira Serrano Oswald	Treasurer	<a href="mailto:sesohi@hotmail.com">sesohi@hotmail.com</a>
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## Annex 3

### RSAI budget 2020

Description	Revenues	Costs	Rev's-costs
<b>General</b>	<b>0.00 €</b>	<b>9,690.00 €</b>	<b>-9,690.00 €</b>
ACCOUNTING	0.00 €	3,700.00 €	-3,700.00 €
WEBSERVER	0.00 €	500.00 €	-500.00 €
RSAI SECRETARIAT	0.00 €	5,000.00 €	-5,000.00 €
OTHERS	0.00 €	490.00 €	-490.00 €
<b>Executive Directorate</b>	<b>0.00 €</b>	<b>7,500.00 €</b>	<b>-7,500.00 €</b>
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EXPENDITURES	0.00 €	7,500.00 €	-7,500.00 €
<b>Editorial Activity</b>	<b>0.00 €</b>	<b>26,500.00 €</b>	<b>-26,500.00 €</b>
RSAI NEWSLETTER PAYMENT	0.00 €	1,000.00 €	-1,000.00 €
RSAI NEWSLETTER PRINTING	0.00 €	1,500.00 €	-1,500.00 €
PIRS EDITORIAL OFFICE ANUAL EXPENSES	0.00 €	7,500.00 €	-7,500.00 €
PIRS EDITORIAL FOR EDITORS	0.00 €	5,000.00 €	-5,000.00 €
RSPP EDITORIAL OFFICE ANUAL EXPENSES	0.00 €	5,000.00 €	-5,000.00 €
RSPP EDITORIAL FOR EDITORS	0.00 €	5,000.00 €	-5,000.00 €
ARCHIVIST	0.00 €	500.00 €	-500.00 €
REGIONAL SCIENCE RESEARCH	0.00 €	1,000.00 €	-1,000.00 €
<b>RSAI Awards</b>	<b>0.00 €</b>	<b>4,910.00 €</b>	<b>-4,910.00 €</b>
MARTIN BECKMANN AWARD (500€)	0.00 €	560.00 €	-560.00 €
DISSERTATION AWARD	0.00 €	750.00 €	-750.00 €
PETER NIJKAMP AWARD	0.00 €	750.00 €	-750.00 €
RSAI YOUNG RESEARCHERS PRIZE - 1ST PRIZE - CASH	0.00 €	600.00 €	-600.00 €
RSAI YOUNG RESEARCHERS PRIZE - 2ND PRIZE - CASH	0.00 €	300.00 €	-300.00 €
RSPP ANNUAL PAPER AWARD	0.00 €	750.00 €	-750.00 €
PLAQUES	0.00 €	1,200.00 €	-1,200.00 €
<b>RSAI Supports</b>	<b>9,000.00 €</b>	<b>46,860.00 €</b>	<b>-37,860.00 €</b>
NURTURING NEW TALENT 2020	0.00 €	27,860.00 €	-27,860.00 €
BULDING BRIDGES	0.00 €	19,000.00 €	-19,000.00 €
Margin from building bridges 2019	9,000.00 €	0.00 €	9,000.00 €
<b>WORLD CONGRESS FOR 2020</b>	<b>81,675.00 €</b>	<b>79,950.72 €</b>	<b>1,724.28 €</b>
Expected revenues	81,675.00 €	0.00 €	81,675.00 €
Expected costs	0.00 €	79,950.72 €	-79,950.72 €
<b>Wiley</b>	<b>61,452.53 €</b>	<b>0.00 €</b>	<b>61,452.53 €</b>
Revenues from Wiley (ADVANCE ON EDITORIAL AND TRAVEL EXPENSES 2020 - PIRS and RSPP)	46,082.00 €	0.00 €	46,082.00 €
PIRS and RSPP 2019 Profit Share	15,370.53 €	0.00 €	15,370.53 €
<b>Others</b>	<b>0.00 €</b>	<b>0.00 €</b>	<b>0.00 €</b>
Deposit cash money from 2019	0.00 €	0.00 €	0.00 €
Refund VAT 2019 from State	0.00 €	0.00 €	0.00 €
Return transfer	0.00 €	0.00 €	0.00 €
<b>Memberships</b>	<b>37,093.00 €</b>	<b>0.00 €</b>	<b>37,093.00 €</b>
MEMBERSHIP BALTIC SECTION	250.00 €	0.00 €	250.00 €
MEMBERSHIP BRITISH AND IRISH SECTION	980.00 €	0.00 €	980.00 €



MEMBERSHIP BULGARIAN SECTION	150.00 €	0.00 €	150.00 €
MEMBERSHIP CROATIA SECTION	310.00 €	0.00 €	310.00 €
MEMBERSHIP DUTCH SECTION	1,070.00 €	0.00 €	1,070.00 €
MEMBERSHIP FRENCH SECTION	1,890.00 €	0.00 €	1,890.00 €
MEMBERSHIP GERMAN SECTION	2,490.00 €	0.00 €	2,490.00 €
MEMBERSHIP GREEK SECTION	510.00 €	0.00 €	510.00 €
MEMBERSHIP HUNGARIAN SECTION	290.00 €	0.00 €	290.00 €
MEMBERSHIP ISRAEL SECTION	260.00 €	0.00 €	260.00 €
MEMBERSHIP ITALIAN SECTION	2,600.00 €	0.00 €	2,600.00 €
MEMBERSHIP NORDIC SECTION	0.00 €	0.00 €	0.00 €
MEMBERSHIP POLISH SECTION	710.00 €	0.00 €	710.00 €
MEMBERSHIP PORTUGUESE SECTION	970.00 €	0.00 €	970.00 €
MEMBERSHIP ROMANIAN SECTION	972.00 €	0.00 €	972.00 €
MEMBERSHIP SLOVAKIA SECTION	450.00 €	0.00 €	450.00 €
MEMBERSHIP SPANISH SECTION	3,790.00 €	0.00 €	3,790.00 €
MEMBERSHIP TURKISH SECTION	670.00 €	0.00 €	670.00 €
MEMBERSHIP ARGENTINA SECTION	220.00 €	0.00 €	220.00 €
MEMBERSHIP BRAZIL SECTION	960.00 €	0.00 €	960.00 €
MEMBERSHIP CHILEAN SECTION	1,140.00 €	0.00 €	1,140.00 €
MEMBERSHIP ECUADORIAN SECTION	280.00 €	0.00 €	280.00 €
MEMBERSHIP MEXICAN SECTION	590.00 €	0.00 €	590.00 €
MEMBERSHIP ARMENIA SECTION	75.00 €	0.00 €	75.00 €
MEMBERSHIP COLOMBIAN SECTION	190.00 €	0.00 €	190.00 €
MEMBERSHIP NARSC SECTION	4,960.00 €	0.00 €	4,960.00 €
MEMBERSHIP AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND SECTION	600.00 €	0.00 €	600.00 €
MEMBERSHIP INDIA SECTION	270.00 €	0.00 €	270.00 €
MEMBERSHIP INDONESIAN SECTION	600.00 €	0.00 €	600.00 €
MEMBERSHIP JAPANESE SECTION	5,010.00 €	0.00 €	5,010.00 €
MEMBERSHIP ARSC SECTION	1,560.00 €	0.00 €	1,560.00 €
MEMBERSHIP KOREAN SECTION	310.00 €	0.00 €	310.00 €
INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIPS	200.00 €	0.00 €	200.00 €
MEMBERSHIP MOROCCAN SECTION	100.00 €	0.00 €	100.00 €
MEMBERSHIP CHINA SECTION	1,580.00 €	0.00 €	1,580.00 €
MEMBERSHIP BANGLADESH SECTION	86.00 €	0.00 €	86.00 €
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>189,220.53 €</b>	<b>175,410.72 €</b>	<b>13,809.81 €</b>

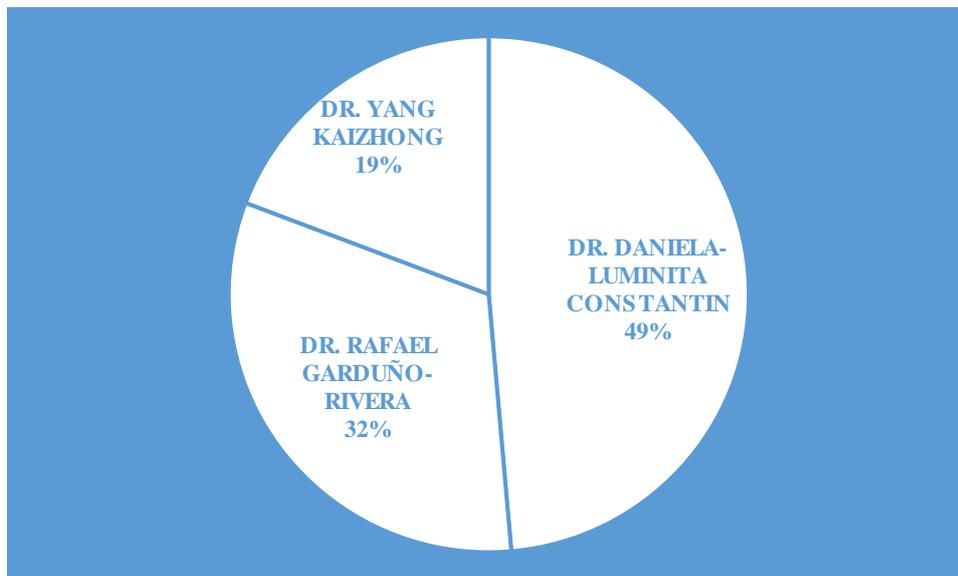


## Annex 4

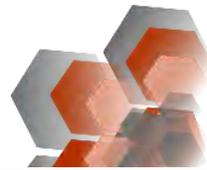
### Results of the election of a new Councillor-At-Large (2020-2022)

During the Lyon Council RSAI meeting all candidatures received have been considered valid, and therefore amenable to being included in the online ballot.

The Secretariat received 650 valid votes altogether (roughly 15 per cent of the active electorate), and the final breakdown of votes is the following:



Dr. Daniela Luminita-Constantin has therefore been elected and will replace Laurie Schintler as of Jan. 1, 2020.



## Annex 5

### Proposal of allocation of funds for the 2020 Nurturing Talent initiatives

The Committee for the selection of Nurturing Talent workshops proposals, made up of Mark Partridge (RSAI President), Eduardo Haddad (President Elect), André Torre (ERSA President and delegate), Neil Reid (NARSC Executive Director and Delegate), Serena Eréndira Errano-Oswald (LARSA President and Delegate), Rachel Franklin (PRSCO President and delegate), and Andrea Caragliu (Executive Director), reviewed eight proposals (Supranational of reference in brackets):

1. ERSa summer school Lausanne (ERSA)
2. PRSCO summer institute Vietnam (PRSCO)
3. Acores institute on oceans (ERSA)
4. Data science, machine learning and BigData (Morocco) (ERSA)
5. Iasi workshop for young researchers (ERSA)
6. VU-Indonesia workshop on transportation economics (PRSCO)
7. India workshop "Resilience Studies in Regional Science" (PRSCO)
8. Thailand workshop Spatial Agent-Based Modeling (PRSCO).

The last proposal was submitted with a one day delay, but the committee decided to take it into consideration, given that the organizers successfully managed the 2019 PRSCO Summer Institute.

In Goa, the following decisions on the allocation of funds to Nurturing Talent initiatives were made:

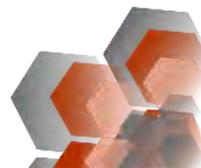
*“The RSAI Council decides:*

*A. 25% of RSAI fees will be allocated to General Expenditures of RSAI (secretariat, webpage, accountancy, audits, taxes and other office expenditures).*

*B. The remaining RSAI fees should go for initiatives on Nurturing Talent and Building Bridges with the following rules: 50% of the available fund to Supraregionals according to the proportion of fees collected in their area; and the rest 50% of the available fund to selected proposal projects submitted to the RSAI Council.*

*C. Within the framework of the Budget approved by the RSAI Council, a Committee composed by the President, the Vice President or President Elected, the Executive Director and the Representatives of the Supra-regionals does the selection of the projects for Nurturing Talent and Building Bridges.”*

According to this decision, a grand total of € 27,681.00 is available for Nurturing Talent initiatives for 2020, half of which is decided by Supranationals according to the amount of fees each Supranational transfers RSAI (Table 1). Fees collected and respective shares are instead shown in Table 2.



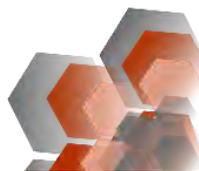
Supranational	Amount available per fee	Amount decided by RSAI
ERSA	€6,923.25	€6,923.25
LARSA	€1,267.50	€1,267.50
NARSC	€1,860.00	€1,860.00
PRSCO	€3,789.75	€3,789.75
Total	€ 13,840.50	€ 13,840.50

**Table 1. Amounts available in proportion of fees collected by Supranational**

Amount	Supranational	%
18,462.00 €	ERSA	50.02%
3,380.00 €	LARSA	9.16%
4,960.00 €	NARSC	13.44%
10,106.00 €	PRSCO	27.38%

**Table 2. Fees collected by each Supranational**

The Committee discussed with frequent email exchanges starting right after the deadline for proposal submissions (Nov. 4), and came up with the following proposal to the RSAI Council (Table 3). It is worth stressing that, given that this year NARSC members did not submit any proposal, and in the light of NARSC's important role played within RSAI, the Committee agrees to save €1,860.00 for possibly funding a Nurturing Talent initiative if being submitted over the next few weeks.



<b>Worskhop/Summer school</b>	<b>Supranational of reference</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Amount requested</b>	<b>RSAI proposal</b>
ERSA summer school Lausanne	ERSA	June 15-19, 2020	€5,000.00	€5,000.00
PRSCO summer institute Vietnam	PRSCO	July 29-31, 2020	€6,000.00	€3,000.00
Acores institute on oceans	ERSA	July 1-4, 2020	€3,000.00	€2,000.00
Data science, machine learning and BigData (Morocco)	ERSA	June 1-2, 2020	€3,800.00	€3,000.00
Iasi workshop for young researchers	ERSA	May 13-15, 2019	€5,000.00	€3,000.00
VU-Indonesia workshop on transportation economics	PRSCO	Jan. 13-Feb.7, 2020	€5,571.00	€4,500.00
India workshop "Resilience Studies in Regional Science"	PRSCO	TBD	€7,800.00	€2,500.00
<i>Thailand workshop Spatial Agent-Based Modeling</i>	<i>PRSCO</i>	<i>June/July 2020</i>	<i>€ 5,500.00</i>	<i>€ 3,000.00</i>
<i>?</i>	<i>NARSC</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>TBD</i>	<i>€ 1,860.00</i>

**Table 3. Proposal of allocation of funds to RSAI Nurturing Talent Initiatives**



## **Enlargement of the Editorial Team of Regional Science Policy and Practice**

**October 2019**

### **1 - Introduction**

Taking into account that there are no limits for the number of papers to be published by year in RSPP and that the main criteria is to have policy effective and scientifically citable papers that look at the human interaction within space with sound and replicable methods and falsifiable evidences.

Taking into account that it is important to search for an increasing consistency and quality of the journal based on an enlarged team committed to a clear set of tasks for the next three years.

Considering that to achieve that it is important to expand the editorial team to new geographies and approaches-

The Editorial Team of RSPP proposes the Council the enlargement of the RSPP Editorial Team to four new elements.

### **2 – Proposed Enlargement**

Following the analysis of the possibilities of different broadenings, the RSPP editorial team would like to propose the Council the enlargement of the Editorial Team to the following colleagues:

- Elisabete A. Silva, from the University of Cambridge, United Kingdom, to enlarge the capacity of the editorial team in Remote Sensing, GIS and Big Data Analysis namely through the edition of 2-3 Special Issues with the use of these practices for regional science and regional policy.
- Katarzyna Kopczewska, from the University of Warsaw, Poland, to coordinate two special issues along three years on emerging topics mainly coming from countries of the Baltic Basin.
- Gabriela Carmen Pescariu, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iasi, Romania, to coordinate two special issues along three years (one is already moving), on emerging topics mainly coming from countries of the Black Sea Basin.
- Ana Viñuela, from the University of Oviedo, Spain, to coordinate RSPP special issues coming from REAL network that is collaborating with RSPP since 2017.
- Isabelle Nilsson from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, United States, to coordinate RSPP special issues coming from North America.
- Eveline Van L Eveline van Leeuwen from the University of Wageningen, The Netherlands, to coordinate RSPP special issues from Western Europe.

### **3 – Reiterated Objectives**

The reiterated objectives are:

- i) To be present in all the meetings of the supra-regional associations and some of the meetings of the sections with RSPP plenary sessions;
- ii) To grow from 2 issues in 2016 to 6 issues in 2019/2020, very much based in special issues;
- iii) To get Impact Factor in 2021 close to 1.00;
- iv) To increase downloads steadily.

With a very qualified enlarged team not only it will be possible to grow in the number and scope of published papers but also in their quality.

## 4 – Short CVs



Elisabete Silva has a BA in Geography and Planning (University of Lisbon, 1994); MA Planning (New University of Lisbon 1997), PhD (UMASS, Amherst, Massachusetts, 2002). <https://www.landecon.cam.ac.uk/directory/esilva> University Reader/Professor in Spatial Planning at the Department of Land Economy, University of Cambridge. The overall research interests are centered on the application of new technologies to spatial planning in particular city and metropolitan dynamic modelling through time. The key overall approaches use of Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Spatial Analysis, Geo-Computation and soft-AI, Data Science, Smart Cities, and, in general, applications of New Technologies in Planning related contexts. Dr Silva has a research track record of 25+ years, both at the public and private sector.



Katarzyna Kopczewska is a quantitative economist with graduation, Master and PhD by the University of Warsaw. Since 2019, she is associate professor, member of University Board for Discipline of Economics and Finance and from 2012-2020 - Vice Dean for Student Affairs, faculty board member, head of didactic committee. Specialized in spatial modeling of geo-localized economic processes - location and co-location, agglomeration, concentration, diffusion, spatial interactions in relation to economic phenomena, companies, real estate, but also regional policy or public sector activities. Katarzyna conducts methodological research on the implementation of data science methods for spatial analysis and combining them with classical spatial statistics and econometrics. <https://www.wne.uw.edu.pl/index.php/en/profile/view/79/>



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Ana Viñuela, associate professor in the Department of Applied Economics (University of Oviedo) and member of the Regional Economics Laboratory (REGIOlab). In 2011 she defended her PhD dissertation "Surpassing the administrative limits on Regional Analysis", directed by Fernando Rubiera and Geoffrey Hewings. Her present research interests are related to Regional and Urban Economics and Demographics, more specifically, on the selection of the appropriate spatial unit of analysis and the necessity to work with local data in order to deliver a la carte diagnosis, analysis and evaluation of many relevant socioeconomic issues. She is the principal investigator of the European research project IMAJINE and has published in journals such as Growth and Change, Annals of Regional Science or Population, Space and Place. <http://www.uniovi.net/ecoapli/personal/i98/>



Isabelle Nilsson is an assistant professor in the Department of Geography & Earth Sciences and a core faculty member of the PhD in Public Policy at University of North Carolina at Charlotte. She has a MA in Economics and a PhD in Spatially Integrated Social Sciences from the University of Toledo. Her research is focused on transportation, housing, and firm location with particular emphasis on public and private investments' effect on firm and household location behaviors. Her work has been funded by state, local and national agencies, and she has published in journals such as Urban Studies, Geographical Analysis, Growth & Change, Papers in Regional Science, and Journal of Transport Geography. <https://geoearth.uncc.edu/isabelle-nilsson>



Eveline van Leeuwen (1978) graduated in Land Use Planning (MSc) at the Wageningen University in 2002 and obtained a PhD in Economics at VU Amsterdam on the thesis entitled "Towns today : Contemporary Functions of Small and Medium-sized Towns in the Rural Economy" in 2008. She is now affiliated to Wageningen University as professor and chair holder of the Urban Economics group. Eveline has a broad interest in economic and social interactions between places at the regional and urban level and how these interactions impact wellbeing/happiness; economic activities and participation. In her research, she focusses on the integration of micro- and macro approaches in the field of regional science. Linking agent-based modelling and microsimulation, with macro models is an important common thread. <https://www.wur.nl/en/Persons/Eveline-prof.dr.ir.-ES-Eveline-van-Leeuwen.htm>

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# New Metropolitan Perspectives

**4TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM**  
**REGGIO CALABRIA** **MEDITERRANEA**  
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**27.05.2020-30.05.2020**



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„NEW METROPOLITAN PERSPECTIVES“ International Symposium – 4th edition

The 4th edition of the International Symposium “New Metropolitan Perspectives” faces the challenge of local development’s innovation dynamics and its complexity putting humankind at the centre of the scientific debate, towards reclaiming that “man is the measure of all things”.

The symposium is jointly promoted by the LaborEst and the CLUDsLab Laboratories of the PAU Department, Università Mediterranea of Reggio Calabria, Italy, in partnership with a qualified international network of academic institutions and scientific societies.

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In partnership with **Rhegion United Nations 2020-2030**. Territories and cities, material and immaterial heritage, resilience and transformations in the perspective of the 17 Sustainable Development UN Goals.

## SYMPOSIUM LANGUAGES

ENGLISH - ITALIAN

## WEB SITE

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## IMPORTANT DATES

November 28th, 2019 Session submission deadline

~~November 28th, 2019~~ Paper submission deadline extended to January 15th, 2020

February 6th, 2020 Notification to authors

February 17th, 2020 Author Registration deadline

May 27-30, 2020 Symposium

## SCIENTIFIC COORDINATORS

LaborEst – Francesco Calabrò, Lucia Della Spina

CLUDsLab – Carmelina Bevilacqua

## ORGANISING BODY

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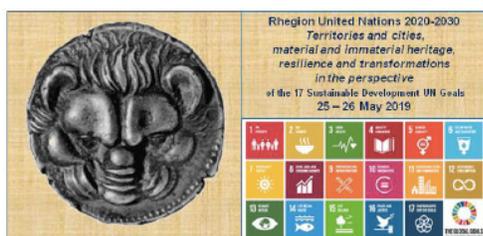
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# RHEGION

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## RHEGION UNITED NATIONS 2020-2030

***Territories and cities, material and immaterial heritage, resilience and transformations*** in the perspective of the 17 Sustainable Development UN Goals,  
**MAY 25-26**



Rhegion UN 2020-2030 intends to highlight the importance of cultural change that must be made in order to pursue the philosophy of sustainable development specified by the UN in 2015, participating in the construction of „cultured technology“ mentioned since 1991 by Romano del Nord.

That is to build a new civitas, with roots in history and sustainable for the future, where the Comunitas can live with good quality of life and in harmony with nature, as well highlighted in the Encyclical Letter Laudato Sii of the Holy Father Francis on the Care of Common House focused on integrated ecology.

The aspects linked to anthropological questions will not be secondary, but examples of best local, national and international practices will also be relevant.

### SCIENTIFIC COORDINATOR

Stefano Aragona, PAU Dept.

## INTERNATIONAL DESIGN WORKSHOP/COMPETITION

**Rhegion United Nations 2020-2030**  
**June 1-5**

The Workshop is an experimentation of recovery and redevelopment based on the UN 2020 - 2030 objectives of a territory with a strong natural value and rich in historical evidences such as the Metropolitan Area of Reggio Calabria.



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## DESCRIPTION

### AIMS OF THE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM 2020

The event is organized with the aim to receive contributions from national and international scientific community on sustainability transitions towards transforming regional and urban sociotechnical systems within new policy agendas of sustainability and cohesion, according to the directions of Horizon Europe and Agenda2030.

This edition faces the challenge of local development's innovation dynamics and its complexity, putting humankind at the center of the scientific debate, towards reclaiming that "man is the measure of all things", as stated by Protagoras.

The underlying question is: How does the new relationship between man and technology affect human settlement systems and land use?

The speed of technological progress in recent years has increased significantly: within a few years, machine learning has developed into deep learning. Recent publications by the global consulting Roland Berger have revealed the incredible progress made by robots, already used to a great extent in various sectors, with a substantial reduction of the working time, important increases in productivity, with benefits for the entire society.

Besides, in everyday life, a new way of conceiving time and connections has emerged, dependent on information and communication technology, seen immediately and urgently.

Technological innovation and the development of ICT have changed the rules of living physical and human spaces rewriting the parameters of work, social behavior, and territorial/urban governance, with a substantial change of the location patterns.

In the field of social science is there the right attention to these issues? What approach has there been over the past few years and what direction should we take in the future?

Concurrently, the nature of human cohabitation that had characterized urban agglomerations has changed over time, following a mangled social environment and the dismemberment of the territory. Distinctiveness that we are witnessing today is the depopulation and abandonment of rural areas, connected with the metropolitan „nervous network“ expansion, as underlined by M. Cacciari, devouring the surrounding territory. The metrics of the man-nature dialectic are hardly recognizable in cities and territories, and the gap between rich and poor keep growing.

Nevertheless, the awareness of complexity involves a rethinking of meaning-making structures for responses to complex societal issues with a correspondingly radical rethinking of "measure matters". At European level, the regional strategy of smart specialization is at the center of academics, policy practitioners' debate in the post-2020 Cohesion policy. Among new statements on a more flexible approach in allocating investment, on a more integrated approach to reach the goal of development, the recall of a more tailored approach to regional development is emphasized. It seems that a shift occurs from a place-based approach to locally-based, which asks a recognizable involvement of the city and citizens. Reaching the change needs transition approach, namely sustainability transitions towards transforming regional and urban sociotechnical systems.



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## CALL FOR SESSIONS

The **TREND** project proposes a new perspective in the design process of tailored development policies via the innovation boost. Stemming from the current debates on regional diversification together with the emerging role of the city in pursuing local innovation ecosystem, the aim is to explore new development policy configuration in which the evolutionary framework prompts the response of different territories to continuous shocks. The relevance lies in bridging Resilience, as an ongoing process of change rather than a recovery to a (pre-existing or new) stable equilibrium state. In this perspective, the innovative aspect stems from conceiving Transition Management (TM) as a keen strategical approach to translate the combination (Resilience, Diversification, Evolutionary Theory) into policy design and implementation.

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## CALL FOR SESSIONS

Sessions may be theoretical, methodological, thematic, interdisciplinary and have broadly conceived or more narrowly focused subjects. Sessions that embrace cross-cultural, transnational and Euro Mediterranean based issues are particularly welcome. Topics exploring the urban resilience, regional economic evolution, territorial cohesion and innovation ecosystems are encouraged.

**Session proposals must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. CST, November 28, 2019.** Please send the proposal form to [nmp@unirc.it](mailto:nmp@unirc.it) and indicate the corresponding author if there is more than one organizer. Remember, the official language of the conference is English and all submissions should be in English. The Session will be approved if it will receive at least 6 contributions. After the manuscripts reviewing process, the thematic sessions that will not maintain at least 6 contributions, will be merged according to the related topics.

Please bear in mind that each participant cannot be author, alone or with others, of more than two papers. The sessions' chairs are entitled to 1 free publication and have the task of identifying two referees for each paper with the support of the Scientific Organizing Committee; they will also receive a certificate for their work. For details on past editions visit the Conference website: [www.nmp.unirc.it](http://www.nmp.unirc.it) Download the **session proposal form** [HERE](#)



# NEW METROPOLITAN PERSPECTIVES 2020

## THEMES

„Papers should address the main topic through a multidisciplinary perspective, pursuing an integrated approach in order to deal with local knowledge and innovation dynamics towards territory attractiveness, applied to metropolitan cities and inner areas“

Theoretical and experienced-based contributions that fit with the following themes are welcome:

-  **RE-OPERATIONALISING THE STRATEGIC PLAN**  
*Keywords: Strategic Planning; Integrated Programming; Impact Evaluation; Metropolitan City; Investments.*
-  **PLACE-BASED URBAN REGENERATION FOR IMPROVING SUSTAINABLE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT: CULTURAL HERITAGE, SOCIAL INNOVATION, CIVIC ECONOMICS, INCLUSIVE CITIES**  
*Keywords: Cultural Heritage; Social Innovation; Civic Economics; Inclusive Cities.*
-  **UTOPIA SCENARIOS AND REAL DESIGNS FOR THE NEXT CITIES**  
*Keywords: Urban Utopias; Urban Planning; Next City; Green Design; Sustainable Environment.*
-  **TERRITORIAL DYNAMICS AND ECONOMIC VALUES**  
*Keywords: Territorial Planning; Real Estate Values; Urban Growth Models; Rural Development; Geographic Information Systems.*
-  **HERITAGE AND ICT. INNOVATIVE APPLIED PRACTICES FOR LOCAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**  
*Keywords: Heritage; ICT; Innovation; Sustainable Development; Heritage Labs.*
-  **INTERDISCIPLINARY APPROACH IN URBAN MANAGEMENT**  
*Keywords: Urban Management; Public Space; Indicators of Urban Quality; Planning; Interdisciplinarity.*
-  **INFLUENCE OF REFUGEES ON SPATIAL DEVELOPMENT IN EUROPE**  
*Keywords: Tangible Heritage; Intangible Heritage; Urban/Rural Areas; Spatial Development; Refugees.*
-  **INCLUSIVE KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION NETWORKS IN RURAL AREAS**  
*Keywords: Smart Specialisation; Rural Innovation; Regional Development; Social Interaction; Cross-Sectoral Cooperation.*
-  **GOVERNANCE ACROSS LOCAL BOUNDARIES: HORIZONTAL AND VERTICAL COOPERATION IN EUROPEAN METROPOLITAN CITIES**  
*Keywords: Metropolitan Cities; Institutional Cooperation; Metropolitan Identities; Strategic Spatial Planning; Administrative Functions.*
-  **GEOMATICS TECHNIQUES AND SMART TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURES FOR MONITORING, CONTROL AND INNOVATIVE MOBILITY**  
*Keywords: Mobility; Smart Transport Infrastructures; Geomatics; Monitoring; Control.*
-  **DESIGNING URBAN SAFETY AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A NEW QUALITY OF COMMON SPACES**  
*Keywords: Urban Safety; Safe Places; Heritage; Soft Mobility; Urban Ecological Network.*
-  **RESILIENCE AND CREATIVITY OF MEDITERRANEAN HISTORICAL PORT CITIES: URBAN INTEGRATED CONSERVATION AND URBAN REGENERATION OF THEIR OLD WATERFRONTS, IN COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVE**  
*Keywords: Mediterranean Port-Towns; Historical Waterfronts; Urban Integrated Conservation; Historical Cultural Landscape; Sustainable Re-Use.*
-  **THE CITY AS ACTION: THE UNAVOIDABLE LIMITS OF REGULATION IN COMPLEX SYSTEMS**  
*Keywords: Complexity; Planning; Action; Conditions of Action; Nomocracy.*



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## THEMES

-  **THE MULTIPLE BENEFITS OF SMART ENERGY COMMUNITIES, DISTRICTS AND TERRITORIES: MODELLING AND IMPLEMENTING APPROACHES**  
*Keywords: Multiple Benefits; Smart Energy Transition; Demonstration Project; Assessment; Modeling.*
-  **UNAUTHORIZED SETTLEMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY: URBAN AND ECONOMICS ASPECT**  
*Keywords: Unauthorized Settlements; Urban Planning; Sustainability; Illegal Building; Local Finance.*
-  **VALUATIONS SUPPORT POST CARBON CITY AND GREEN BUILDING STRATEGIES**  
*Keywords: Post Carbon City; Post Carbon Building; Green Building Real Estate Market; Multi Dimensional Valuation; Urban Appraisal in Climate Change Mitigation.*
-  **CULTURAL ROUTES BETWEEN EAST AND WEST:  
COMPETITIVE NETWORKS FOR MEDITERRANEAN CITIES**  
*Keywords: Mediterranean Basin; Cultural Routes; Territorial Cohesion; Cultural Heritage; Integrated Conservation; Cultural Tourism.*
-  **COMMUNITY-LOCAL LED DEVELOPMENT OF COASTAL AND FISHERIES AREAS**  
*Keywords: Community Local Led Development; Maritime heritage; Ecosystem services; Integrated Coastal Zone Management; Fisheries Local Action Groups.*
-  **INNOVATION AND SPACE: URBAN AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**  
*Keywords: Innovation Ecosystem; Innovative City; Innovation Districts; Social Innovation; Quintuple Helix; S3; Cluster Analysis; Lagging Regions; Clusters.*
-  **CULTURAL HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLANS AND MODELS**  
*Keywords: Heritage Management; Cultural Resources; Planning; Evaluation and Appraisal; Economic Sustainability.*
-  **RISK MANAGEMENT – INCREASING RESILIENCE TO HUMAN/NATURAL HAZARDS**  
*Keywords: Natural, Environmental and Human Hazard; Climate Change; Vulnerability; Exposure and Risk Assessment; Risk Mitigation and Management; Community Engagement.*
-  **VALORIZATION OF DEGRADED OR ABANDONED URBAN PROPERTIES:  
ISSUES, INTERVENTION METHODS AND DECISION SUPPORT TOOLS**  
*Keywords: Public and Private Partnership; Valorization; Real Estate Market; Decision support models; Abandoned Areas and Buildings.*
-  **THE DEMOCRATIZATION OF DEMANIAL AREAS:  
WHAT APPROACH? LEGAL-ADMINISTRATIVE AND ECONOMIC-ESTIMATE PROFILES**  
*Keywords: Decentralization; Integrated Coastal Management; Public Democracies; Demanial Goods Alienation; Maritime Democracies.*
-  **SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURES, URBAN MODELLING AND GEOSPATIAL ANALYSES IN  
ASSESSING URBAN AND RURAL LANDSCAPES: NEW PERSPECTIVES AND OPEN CHALLENGES**  
*Keywords: Urban and Rural landscapes; Spatial Data Infrastructures (SDIs); Spatial analyses; Urban modelling; Multifunctionality; Ecological connectivity.*
-  **ENVIRONMENT, KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION, TERRITORIAL SERVITIZATION**  
*Keywords: Innovation, Knowledge, Environment, Complexity, Servitization*
-  **OTHER**  
*The contributions consistent with the symposium's themes but not listed in the aforementioned sessions*



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## RHÉGHION UNITED NATIONS 2020-2030

Conference Rhegion United Nations 2020-2030. *Territories and cities, material and immaterial heritage, resilience and transformations in the perspective of the 17 Sustainable Development UN Goals.*

**Keywords** RHEGION UN 2020-2030: Water and Green, Energy, Security, Mobility, Community.

Each keywords will be declined in an interdisciplinary way with the territory and the city that, in fact, are experimental laboratories: the local conditions, from being constraints, must become suggestions for action both for the transformation of the existing and in the construction of places, as Settis remembered in 2014 in his *Lectio Magistralis The ethics of the architect and the restoration of the landscape* for the conferral of the honorary degree in Architecture.

The intention is to involve the different skills, dealing with both the ancient and the modern, just as the 2015 UN Charter requires addressing the 17 objectives set. So trying to build more synergies, from the Greek word *συνεργός*, to try to reconstruct and move into a holistic perspective of transformations. On the one hand it will be about the reversal in the definition of the relationship between man and nature, considered an interconnected system of networks, dynamic, of which it is necessary to overcome *interpretation of the vision „... by parts and therefore build a radical, consequential, new legal structure comparable to what he made Copernicus in the interpretation of the position of the Earth in the system of celestial bodies...“*, as Fritjof Capra and Ugo Mattei in 2017 in their book *Ecology of Law. Science, politics, common goods*. On the other hand, we will have as interlocutors from various parts of the world where an alternative route has been underway for years and is giving great results in the sense of social and environmental sustainability.

The initiative also intends to have an exemplary, methodological pedagogical function regarding both the formation of *cum-cives*, that is, of ecological citizens and the possibility of sustainable development. Thus various activities will be focussed on the involvement of the school environment before, during and after Rhegion. Sustainability issues will become central for a few days in the city. This will also strengthen the relationship between the university and the city. There will be the involvement of the many economic actors operating in the Reggio and Calabrese territory inspired by the sustainability: from those in the agricultural field to those in renewable energy, underlining the importance of the „closure of cycles“, of the „km0“, of the management of biomass such as wood, of sustainable mobility. All the places of the Event, both in the University and in the city, will be a sort of exhibition space for products, solutions and even projects inspired by the objectives of the UN 2020 - 2030 Charter. Each aspect addressed will have further specifications in the New Metropolitan Perspectives Symposium and experimentation in the Rhegion UN 2020 -2030 Workshop.

### CALL RHEGION UN 2020-2030

Participants in RHEGION UN 2020-2030 are invited to send papers that will follow the NMP2020 procedure described in the following pages.

The topics of this Call for RHEGION UN 2020-2030 must be relevant to the key words previously highlighted: Water and Green, Energy, Security, Mobility, Community.



# NMP2020 PROCEEDINGS

Submitted papers will be carefully peer-reviewed by at least two experts, chosen by subject/area, and evaluated on originality, significance, technical accuracy and clarity of exposition.



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Accepted papers will be published in Smart Innovation, System and Technologies (2190-3018) by SPRINGER. Where required, the publication in open access should be specifically requested and has additional costs. The books of this series are submitted to SCOPUS, EI-Compendex and Springerlink.

The Proceedings from the past editions of this Symposium are already indexed in the Thomson Reuters (WoS) Conference Proceedings Citation Index (New Metropolitan Perspectives 2014, 2016 eds.) and SCOPUS (New Metropolitan Perspectives 2018 ed.).

Among other publication opportunities, Authors of selected outstanding papers will be invited to submit extended versions of their papers for consideration of publication in:

- international scientific journals, selected by the scientific board.
- LaborEst national scientific journal ISSN Online 2421-3187.

*Further information and details will be given in due course on the official website.*



# NEW METROPOLITAN PERSPECTIVES 2020

## PAPER SUBMISSION

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### Step 1 - Register

Authors must firstly be registered to the symposium **web-platform**.

Registration:

- Click on "Account" button on the top left side of the page
- Follow the instruction to finalize the registration
- Fill in the registration form
- Please note! As last step of the registration form, specify "create account as" "Author: Able to submit items to the conference"
- Press the "Create" button at the end of the registration

### Step 2 - Prepare your paper proposal

- 1 - Before submitting your papers, please remember to download the **Template Packet** via [nmp.unirc.it](http://nmp.unirc.it)
- 2 - At least one author for each accepted final paper must be registered.
- 3 - Please remind that preliminary abstract submission is not needed.
- 4 - All experimental or theoretical papers must be written in UK English and report original, previously unpublished research results.
- 5 - The total length of the submitted paper should be between 6- and 10-pages including Title, abstract, figure, legends, tables and references. Papers with less than 6 pages will be automatically rejected.
- 6 - Authors may submit more than one paper, multiple authors either. For each additional paper by the same author, there is a charge of 320 € per additional paper. Each author can propose a maximum of 2 papers per session, and present just one paper during the symposium.
- 7 - Please, make sure your paper has a ".docm" extension before submission.

*For example: NMP\_MyPaper.docm*

### Step 3 - Submit your paper

- 1 - Click on the "STEP ONE OF THE SUBMISSION PROCESS" button to submit your paper.
- 2 - Fill in the submission form. Note that abstract cannot be longer than 500 words. The upload of a word file of the paper is required to finalize your submission.
- 3 - To accelerate the review process and guarantee the final decision in due time, the paper will be sent to the reviewers few days after the submission. For this reason, authors are warmly invited to upload just papers ready to be referred. The upload of the final version can be done after the review process is terminated.
- 4 - You can check the list of papers for which you are author or co-author once you log-in to the **web-platform**.

Submit your paper via [NMP.unirc.it](http://NMP.unirc.it) according to the call for papers deadline.  
The definitive programme will be available by the end of April 2020 on [nmp.unirc.it](http://nmp.unirc.it)



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## SYMPOSIUM'S FEES

Submit your paper via the NMP web platform according to the call for papers deadline. Follow the Symposium updates [www.nmp.unirc.it](http://www.nmp.unirc.it)

## PARTICIPATION FEES

	Senior	Early Career **	Accompanying Senior
REGULAR	320,00 €	190,00 €	80,00 €
REDUCED *	250,00 €	110,00 €	80,00 €

\* Members of the scientific partnership and invited authors.

\*\* This special rate must be considered benefit for young researchers, therefore it applies to only a contribution drawn exclusively from PhD candidates, Fellows, Graduate students (whose condition is duly attested).

## WHAT IS INCLUDED

The registration fee includes: Paper Presentation, Proceedings' file, Attendance to all Sessions and coffee breaks, one paper to be published in Smart Innovation, System and Technologies (ISSN: 2190-3018), SPRINGER, ASTRI membership for the event.

The length of each camera-ready paper will be limited to 10 pages.

The registration fee includes the publication of one accepted paper of up to 10 pages, in the symposium proceeding. For each additional sheet there is a charge of 40,00 €, with a maximum of total 14 pages lengths.

For each additional paper by the same author, there is a charge of 320,00 €. Each author can present a maximum of 2 papers per session. Where required, the publication in open access should be specifically requested and subject to availability check, has the additional cost of 50,00 € per pages.

Payment instructions for authors and participants will be given by February 2019. The registration fee for Accompanying Guests is 80,00 €.



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## SPECIAL EVENT

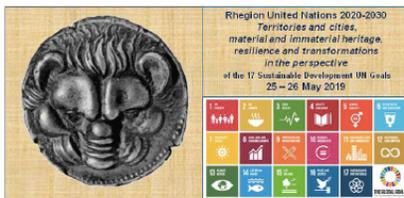
### EDOARDO MOLLIKA AWARD



ASTRI Association is honored to commemorate again this NMP edition the figure and work of Edoardo Mollica – full Professor of Real Estate Appraisal and Valuation, pioneer in the research field of Inner Areas and open-eyed scholar of Metropolitan Cities. The Award is aimed at encouraging the participation of young researchers in the scientific debate. The prize will be awarded to the most innovative and original papers written and presented exclusively by young scholars, in response to the Call For Papers NMP2020. For young scholar is meant who has not yet turned 35, at the starting date of the symposium. The research topics should relate to the theme of Inner Areas, intercepting the issues of sustainable development, cultural heritage, identity, metropolitan cities or economic policies. Those interested are invited to send an email to the NMP2020 Secretariat at [nmp@unirc.it](mailto:nmp@unirc.it), communicating the interest in applying for the award by the 28 of November 2019.

## INTERNATIONAL DESIGN WORKSHOP/COMPETITION

### Rhégion United Nations 2020-2030



### **TERRITORIES AND CITIES, MATERIAL AND IMMATERIAL HERITAGE, RESILIENCE AND TRANSFORMATIONS**

**IN THE PERSPECTIVE OF THE 17 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT UN GOALS**

**1-5 June 2020 REGGIO CALABRIA**

Starting from the 17 objectives of the UN Charter of 2015, the International Design Workshop involves the various disciplines actors in the formation of both ancient and modern space. *Synergy* is the key word, from the Greek *συνεργός*: that is cooperation, integration, for solutions in a holistic space perspective. Building a *sustainable polis*, with roots in history and sustainable for the future, where the *Comunitas* live with good quality of life, in accordance with nature, as required in the Encyclical *Laudato Be on the Care of the Common House* focused on integrated ecology. It is a tentative to construct/implement the necessary cultural and operational change to pursue sustainable development through cultured technology, of which it speaks of the North since 1991. The Workshop is an opportunity to test design practice and theories of recovery and redevelopment in the light of the UN 2020 - 2030 objectives in the context of the Reggio Calabria Metropolitan Area, rich in naturalistic features and ancient testimonies, with significant tourism potential. And rethinking the identity of these places characterized by a widespread absence of modernity but immersed in the most vast global mutations.



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## 2019 RSAI Archivist's Report

Since I took over as the RSAI Archivist in 2017, I have tried to reinterpret the Archivist's role. While I continue to support the development of RSAI Archives at Cornell University, I nevertheless believe that there is a wider need to develop the history of regional science. As well as an institutional history, where much of the effort has gone until recently, I think it important to encourage other forms of history. This includes bio-bibliographical studies of individual regional scientists, as well as studies of the origin and development of particular regional science techniques and theories.

On bio-bibliographical studies, I can report that, working jointly with David Plane, I am co-editor of a new book series, to be published by Springer, on *Great Minds in Regional Science*. The first volume in this series, now at an advanced stage of production, draws upon presentations made at Regional Science Academy ABC sessions over the last three years. It is intended that each book in the series contain a dozen or so chapters some of which will focus upon well-known figures in regional science and others on individuals whose work may not have received the attention it deserves. The choice of Great Minds to be included is not confined to the traditional heartlands of North America and Europe.

A second major development is the creation of a new section on the History of Regional Science as part of the second edition of the *Handbook of Regional Science*, due to be published by Springer in 2020. The second will contain eight papers on an assortment of topics concerned with the history of regional science. I myself have contributed a paper on Regional Science Methods in Planning, examining how the relationship between regional science and planning has evolved since the foundation of the Regional Science Association in the mid-1950s.

During the last twelve months, I have continued to promote the history of regional science at a number of regional science conferences including the Western RSA, The British and Irish Section, ERSA and NARSC, as well as TRSA ABC sessions in Haifa and in Lyon. I chose as a theme Regional Science and Planning: the Need to Re-connect. At NARSC in Pittsburgh, for example, I have organized a round-table based on Richard Klosterman's new book *Planning Support Methods*, the first new book on quantitative methods in planning for many years. Panellists include Mike Batty, Kieran Donaghy, David Boyce and myself, as well as Richard Klosterman

I have also prepared and presented a series of PowerPoint presentations on the history of regional science and presented these at regional science meetings throughout the world. Examples are listed below:

Fifty years of Regional Science Congresses in Europe: plenty to celebrate *August 2010, Jonkoping*

It could all have been so different: the strange tale of how we ended up with two regional research associations *August 2010, Glasgow*

Bringing the Regional Science Association to Europe: a British perspective *April 2011, Ithaca*

The pre-history of regional science methods: the experience of British planning in the 1940s  
*August 2016, Newquay*

Philip Sargant Florence: pioneer regional scientist? *August 2017, Harrogate* and *August 2017, Groningen*

Fifty years of the British and Irish Section *August 2017, Harrogate*

Regional science in the past: what can archives tell us? *November 2017, Vancouver*

The history of spatial thinking in regional science *January 2018, Tsukuba* and *August 2018, Cork*

Regional science and Planning: the need to reconnect, February 2019, Napa Valley, April 2019, Haifa, July 2019 Cambridge, and Lyon, August 2019 (In various versions, for example, focusing on Stan Czumanski in TRSA ABC session in Haifa.

I would also like to propose making available some of these presentations available as pdf's on the RSAI website, as a further way of raising the profile of the Archive.

So far I have not drawn upon any RSAI funds to support my activity as Archivist, relying instead largely on my personal resources. I had intended to visit the Archives in Ithaca during 2019 but time has not permitted this, given the large number of conferences I have attended. I would like to ask RSAI Council to allow me to carry over this budget item to 2020.

Peter Batey

RSAI Archivist

3<sup>rd</sup> November 2019

## **Proposal for the RSPP Special Issue Award**

RSPP is moving to six or more special issues per year and enlarging the editorial team to fourteen colleagues plus the guest editors.

The proposal of the RSPP Special Issue Award aims to stimulate the quality of an enlarged editorial team focused in the edition of Special Issues.

The proposed RSPP Special Issue Award prizes the special issues with more than seven papers, published two years before based on their citations per paper and the judgement of a jury composed by three Fellows, the President and the Immediate Past President.

### **1. Goal**

The Award recognizes annually the RSPP Special Issue, published two years before that, having obtained high citations per article, clearly demonstrated the use of advanced replicable methods, rooted in the regional science and with effective evidences for policy makers on emerging topics related to human interaction within space.

### **2. The Award**

2.1 The award recognizes and honours editors of RSPP special issues that manage to select, with a rigorous blind review process, a set of complementary and original contributions on emerging topics of human interaction within space. The editor in chief cannot receive the award.

2.2 The Prize is annual and awards the best Special Issue with more than seven papers, published two years before on Regional Science Policy and Practice.

2.3 The Award selects one Special Issue per year and, exceptionally, two that will divide the award equally.

2.4 The Award involves the payment of 750 €, one plaque and certificates for the editors of the Special Issue.

### **3. Jury and Process for Recommending the Award**

3.1 In September of each year, the Editor in Chief of Regional Science Policy and Practice ranks the Special Issues of two years before according to the total number of citations per number of papers of the Special Issue.

3.2 The Editor-in Chief of Regional Science Policy and Practice send the ranks of the Special Issues for appraisal to the jury composed by three Fellows, the President of RSAI and the immediate past President of RSAI;

3.3 The Jury will appraise and rank the Special Issues in a meeting in person and/or by email/teleconference in March to select the paper to receive the Award.

3.4 The Editor-in-Chief of Regional Science Policy and Practice will inform the Executive Director of RSAI of the decision of the Jury, and the Executive Director of RSAI will inform the recipient(s) of the Award.

3.5 The Awardee(s) will be invited to attend one of the Supra-Regional (NARSC, LACRSA, ERSA, PRSCO) meetings or the RSAI World Congress to receive the Award.

3.6 The first RSPP Special Issue Award will be granted based on the Special Issues published in 2019.