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 **NEWS AND INFORMATION**

NECROLOGY

PROFESSOR MOSS MADDEN 1946 - 2000

Professor Moss Madden, a long-standing member of RSAI and the immediate past Chairman of the British and Irish Section, died suddenly on 16 February at the age of 53. It was typical of Moss's commitment to participation in international regional science activities that, at the time of his tragic death, he had only recently returned from the South African Symposium on Regional Development in Port Elizabeth, was on the point of leaving to join the Anglo-Irish/Israeli Workshop that he had done so much to co-organise in Jerusalem, and two weeks later was due to present a paper at the Western Regional Science Association meeting in Hawaii.

Moss was brought up and went to school in Falmouth and retained his Cornish roots. He took great pleasure in organising the 1997 Annual Conference of the British and Irish Section in Falmouth, a venue that was much appreciated by those that attended. He spent the whole of his academic career at the University of Liverpool, first as a student of engineering and then as a staff member of the Department of Civic Design. He was appointed to a Chair in Planning and Regional Science in 1993.

Moss first came to appreciate the benefits of presenting his ideas and research output before an international regional science audience at the European RSA Congress in London in 1979. After that first taste of the conference circuit, Moss soon became a regular participant in RSAI conferences and workshops both in Europe and in North America, following his attendance of the First World Congress in Regional Science in Boston in 1980.

Moss also soon became involved in the development of the activities of the then British Section of the RSA, joining the committee in 1982. His early contributions included involvement in the organisation of the European

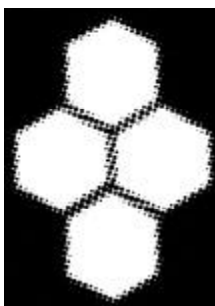
Workshops on Strategic Planning and later the establishment, in 1990, of the UK Inter-Regional Input-Output Table Workshop and its subsequent convenorship. However, it was in the establishment of the Anglo-Israeli Regional Science Workshops series, initiated in 1991 in collaboration with Dani Shefer, that Moss made a major contribution to the development of international networks of regional science research co-operation.

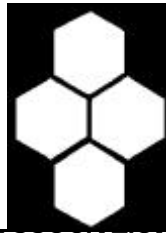
Moss's increasingly influential role in the British Section was reflected in his election as Section Chairman between 1993 and 1997. It was in this capacity that Moss was largely responsible for the renaming of the Section as the British and Irish Section and was the leading force in initiating the Section's hosting of the European RSA Congress in Dublin in 1999.

These events provided a fertile environment in which to cultivate his research contributions and to establish and foster his collaborative links. These mainly focused upon furthering the development of innovative new approaches to the handling of interactions between demographic and economic elements of the traditional input-output modelling framework that he mapped out and explored in particular with Peter Batey. There were perhaps, two underlying principles that underpinned much of his research. First, he believed that the focus of research should be to understand and lead towards the solving of real problems and that theory by itself was not sufficient - it had to be applicable. Second, although he concentrated on applied work, he was always eager to introduce and develop new techniques in his

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analyses. He recognised that policy choices could be best informed by a careful application of the latest theoretical developments to real world problems.

Not only did Moss demonstrate his own abilities in this area; he also encouraged others to demonstrate theirs'. At meetings he was keen to engage in academic debate with others. He was always ready to help to convene sessions at conferences in order to bring together scholars, often with quite differing backgrounds to exchange ideas on a given topic. His wide range of interests and contacts made him the ideal person for this. He also recognised the importance of disseminating the ideas raised at such sessions to a wider audience as is evidenced by the number of edited volumes he collated and contributed to. It is appropriate that a lasting testament to Moss's contribution to the field of regional science will be his many individually authored and collaborative publications - not least those volumes to which he devoted so much time and effort in helping to organise and subsequently to co-edit. To the earlier individual volumes co-edited with Peter Batey, Luc Anselin and Geoff Hewings, has recently been added 'Regional Science in Business', co-edited with Graham Clarke - with further volumes close to completion at the time of his death.

Moss's outstanding work in the fields of planning and regional science was recognised last year with his election as one of the founding Academicians of the Association of Learned Societies for the Social Sciences.

There can be no doubt that those of us who were privileged to know him will continue to recall and appreciate the many ways in which Moss's presence made involvement in the organisation and attendance of regional science events, and associated activities, all the more rewarding and enjoyable. We can count ourselves fortunate that we were able to benefit from his infectious enthusiasm for his subject, his illuminating grasp of technical detail, his incisive questioning from the chair or the floor and, perhaps above all, from his humour, wit and wholehearted commitment to engaging in, and enjoying, the social interaction and networking upon which the healthy future development of the regional science community will continue to depend. The world of regional science, to which he made so many valuable contributions, will be so much the poorer for his passing.

- Peter Batey, Peter Brown & John Dewhurst - April 2000

NEW JOURNAL

The 1990s have seen an important geographical turn in economics, evidenced most notably by the emergence of a major research field, the 'new economic geography', whose subject matter includes spatial agglomeration economies, increasing returns, path dependence, regional growth convergence, and imperfect competition. In geography, meanwhile, a new generation of scholars has sought to extend the scope and significance of 'economic geography' to consider some of the most important issues of contempo-

rary economic life, including globalization, the growth and decline of cities and regions, innovation and the restructuring of economic systems. Differences remain between geographers and economists over the method and scope of 'economic geography', including what *The Economist* (March 13, 1999) contrasted as 'bottom-up versus top-down' approaches to explanation. Nevertheless, the field is growing and vibrant, and has increasingly come to be seen as both a crucial area of innovation in the social sciences, and a reference point in the debates about the processes of global economic change and the future of cities and regions over the coming century.

The Journal of Economic Geography has been founded with the goal to redefine and reinvigorate the intersection between economics and geography, to catalyze the 'meeting of minds' between the disciplines urged by *The Economist*, and to provide a world-class core journal in the field for the new millennium. To be published on a quarterly basis, the journal will be steered by a distinguished Editorial team and Editorial Board drawn equally from the two disciplines. It will seek to publish original academic research and discussion of the highest scholarly standard in the field of 'economic geography' broadly defined. Submitted papers will be refereed, and will be evaluated on the basis of their creativity, quality of scholarship, and contribution to advancing understanding of the geographic nature of economic systems and global economic change.

More information can be found at <http://www.jeg.oupjournals.org>. Submissions or Author queries should be addressed to one of:

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AWARDS, PRIZES AND COMPETITIONS

MICHAEL GREENWALD, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE, NAMED TO RECEIVE FIRST ANNUAL BENJAMIN H. STEVENS GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP IN REGIONAL SCIENCE

Michael J. Greenwald, doctoral student in the Department of Urban and Regional Planning at the University of California, Irvine, has been selected as the winner of the competition for the first annual Benjamin H. Stevens Graduate Fellowship in Regional Science. The Fellowship will provide a \$15,000 one-year stipend to support Greenwald in his dissertation research on how land use and urban form regulation influence travel mode choices for households in

the Portland, Oregon urban area. The dissertation is titled: "The Road Less Traveled: Land Use and Non-Work Travel Relationships in Portland Oregon." Professor Marlon G. Boarnet of U.C. Irvine's Departments of Urban and Regional Planning and Economics is the dissertation supervisor. The Fellowship is awarded in memory of Dr. Benjamin H. Stevens, an intellectual leader whose selfless devotion to graduate students as teacher, advisor, mentor, and friend had a profound impact on the field of regional science. A fundraising effort to increase the Fellowship's endowment is ongoing. Donations should be sent to: The Stevens Fellowship Fund, First Busey Trust and Investment Company, P.O. Box 3309, Urbana, IL 61826-3309 USA. Checks should be drawn to The Stevens Fellowship Fund. Further information about the Fund may be found at the Ben Stevens memorial website: <http://web.bryant.edu/~pnorton/resources/memorial.html>.

The Stevens Fellowship is administered on behalf of the North American Regional Science Council by a Committee consisting of Professors Marcus Berliant, Economics, Washington University, St. Louis, David Boyce, Civil and Materials Engineering, University of Illinois at Chicago, Maureen Kilkeny, Economics, Iowa State University, Michael Lahr, Center for Urban Policy Research, Rutgers University, Ronald Miller, Regional Science Program, University of Pennsylvania, and David Plane, Geography and Regional Development, University of Arizona. The Committee thanks all the students who entered the inaugural competition, as well as their dissertation directors. Faculty at all North American Ph.D. programs are asked to encourage their brightest students to apply for the second annual Stevens Fellowship, which will support the winning student's dissertation research for the 2001-2002 year. The application deadline is February 15, 2001. Full submission guidelines may be found on the Ben Stevens memorial website <http://web.bryant.edu/~p.norton/resources/memorial.html>.



COMMUNICATIONS & LITERATURE

Ronald E. Miller. *Optimization. Foundations and Applications*. New York: John Wiley and Sons, Inc., 2000.

Anna Nagurney. *Sustainable Transportation Networks*. Cheltenham, England: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2000.

Noboru Hidano ed., *A Complete Guide to Contingent Valuation Method: Valuing Environmental Goods and Public Sector Performance and Policies*, Keisoshobo Co. Ltd., Tokyo, 1999. In Japanese.

Noboru Hidano, *An Introduction to Social Engineering: Forecasting, Evaluating and Designing Socio-economic Policies*. Nihon Hyoronsha Co.Ltd., Tokyo, 2000. In Japanese.

REPORTS**PUBLIC INVESTMENT AND REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; 3RD ISRAELI - BRITISH & IRISH JOINT REGIONAL SCIENCE WORKSHOP, HELD AT HEBREW UNIVERSITY OF JERUSALEM, 14-16 FEBRUARY, 2000.**

This meeting was the third in a series of joint regional science workshops that the Israeli and British and Irish sections have been conducting over the years. Held on the Mount Scopus campus of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, the meeting included over twenty papers presented in two intensive days of sessions and a third day dedicated to touring of the Dead Sea area. Topics addressed included public investment and regional economic development in areas such as industrial innovation, infrastructure and environment, human capital and employment creation. The workshop dinner featured a special presentation made by Dani Shefer and John Parr to Stan Czamanski in recognition of his contribution to the field of regional science.

Moss Madden's presence at the workshop was sorely missed. As one of the initiators of this series of meetings, he had intended to present a paper and had been very instrumental in putting together the British & Irish delegation. A volume of selected papers presented is to be published as a fitting tribute to his memory.

REMINDERS**THE 6TH PRSCO SUMMER INSTITUTE
JUNE 14-16, 2000, MEXICO CITY**

All members of the global regional science community are most welcome to participate in this Summer Institute which will be held jointly with the annual conference of the Mexican Association of Science for Regional Development (AMECIDER). The meeting will commence with a welcoming reception at 19:30 on Tuesday June 13. Plenary and concurrent sessions will be held from Wednesday until Friday, with an excursion planned for Thursday afternoon. Post-conference excursions to e.g. Teotihuacan, Tepoztlan or Taxco can be arranged.

The conference venue is the National Autonomous University of Mexico. Participants will stay at quality hotels (rates US\$ 80-110 per night) at walking distance, such as the Radison Paraiso Hotel. For all information, contact the Chairperson of the LOC, Dr Jorge Serrano. Fax: +52-73-17-5981. E-mail: jrsm@servidor.unam.mx. The conference web page can be found at http://zoroku.agbi.tsukuba.ac.jp/CONFERENCE/sum_6th_first.html

**THE UDDEVALLA WORKSHOP 2000
TROLLHÄTTAN, SWEDEN, JUNE 15 - JUNE 17, 2000**

An international symposium on Entrepreneurship, Firm Growth and Regional Development in The new Economic

Geography, will be held in Sweden June 15-17, 2000. The 3rd Uddevalla Workshop, sponsored by the University Trollhättan/Uddevalla, Sweden, Jönköping International Business School, Sweden and George Mason University, USA, will be held in Trollhättan, Sweden on June 15-17, 2000, at the University of Trollhättan/Uddevalla, Trollhättan. For information, contact Prof. Iréne Johansson, Chairperson of the Local Organizing Committee, e-mail: irene.Johansson@udd.htu.se, or visit the Homepage URL: http://www.udd.htu.se/Uddevalla_workshop/

**PORTUGUESE SECTION, RSAI
PONTA DELGADA, JUNE 30 - JULY 2, 2000**

The Portuguese Section of Regional Science Association International (RSAI)- Associação Portuguesa para o Desenvolvimento Regional <http://www.apdr.pt> - is preparing its Seventh National Meeting. The Meeting will be held in Ponta Delgada, regional capital of the Portuguese Azores Islands from June 30th to July 2nd 2000.

This Annual Meeting usually results in the discussion of about 100 papers presented by associates and colleagues from other countries. The languages of the Meeting are Portuguese, Spanish, French or English. The main theme of the 2000 Meeting will be "Development Perspectives for Maritime Regions" but, quoting from the Meeting's brochure:

If you want to participate, fill the Registration Form at http://www.apdr.pt/vii_encontro/fichade.htm

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INTERNATIONAL INPUT-OUTPUT ASSOCIATION (IIOA)

The next meeting of the IIOA will take place in August 21-25, 2000 at the University of Macerata in Italy. Macerata is a charming old hill town south about 20 miles inland from the Adriatic coastal city of Ancona (almost directly across "the boot" from Rome). Michael Lahr of the Center for Urban Policy Research at Rutgers University will serve as the Program Head of these meetings. Nearly 200 papers on a wide range of topics related to input-output analysis were presented by scholars from around the world during the 1998 IIOA meeting in New York City.

40TH EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF THE REGIONAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION. BARCELONA, SPAIN, AUGUST 30 - SEPTEMBER 2, 2000

The general topic of the conference is "European Monetary Union". The XXVI Reunión de Estudios Regionales (Nacional Congress of AEER-Spain Section) will be held at the same time. The deadline for abstracts is 13 January 2000. For further details visit the congress website <http://www.fbg.ub.es/40ersa/>

30TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE REGIONAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL: BRITISH AND IRISH SECTION, UNIVERSITY OF BATH, UK, SEPTEMBER 6-8, 2000.

The main conference themes will be Crime and Urban Safety, Regional Planning and Policy, Regional Science and Business, Regional Science and the Third Age, Regional Transport and Travel to Work, Retailing, and Small Area Forecasting and Microsimulation.

For further information, visit the conference website <http://www.pbs.plym.ac.uk/Bath2000.htm>, or contact Annette Roberts, Secretary, RSAI:B&IS, Welsh Economy Research Unit, Cardiff Business School, Aberconway Building, Cardiff, CF1 3EU. (Tel 01222 874173, e-mail robertsa1@cf.ac.uk)

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND MEETING OF THE RSAI. HOBART, TASMANIA, 3-6 DECEMBER 2000

The 24th annual conference of ANZRSAI will be held in Hobart, Tasmania. Papers of interest to regional scientists and practitioners are welcome. Conference topics are expected, inter alia, to include: regional and interregional modelling, input-output analysis, computable general equilibrium modelling, spatial modelling and data analysis, regional clusters and networks, migration and population, urban and regional policy and development, housing and land-use, tourism and hallmark events, transport, regional disparities, innovation and investment, leadership and partnerships, economic change and environmental quality. Hobart, the capital of Tasmania and a city of historic buildings, is on the Derwent Estuary next to Mt Wellington. For a virtual tour of Australia's island state (which is about the size of West Virginia or Hokkaido and renowned for its wilderness areas) visit <http://www.tas.gov.au/tasonline/>

For further information on the conference, contact Dr John Madden, Director, Centre for Regional Economic Analysis, University of Tasmania, GPO Box 252-90, Hobart 7000, Australia. Fax +61 3 6223 8053, E-mail: j.r.madden@utas.edu.au.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TURKISH NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF REGIONAL SCIENCE, ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY, JULY 2-8, 2000

Turkish National Committee of Regional Science is currently organising the Thirteenth European Advanced Studies Institute in Regional Science.

The preceding Advanced Studies Institutes were held at The University of Karlsruhe in 1970, 1972 and 1974, at The University of Siegen in 1978, The Free University of Amsterdam in 1980, The University of Bamberg in 1984, The University of Milan in 1988, The University of Joensuu in 1991, The University of Athens in 1995, The Norwegian Institute of Urban and Regional Research, Oslo at Are and

Meraker in 1997, The University of The Federal Armed Forces at Munich in 1998, The University of Algarve at Faro in 1999. It was decided to continue them by the European Regional Science Association Council. Advanced Studies Institute, Regional Science Summer Institute will be hosted by The Istanbul Technical University in 2000.

Aims for the Summer Institute 2000

It is argued that expansion and integration processes in Europe are interacted with spatial changes. In this way, some areas become more developed when some of them become less developed. Meanwhile, some stand-by issues could appear for peripheral and cross border regions. In this connection, it should be worthwhile to discuss expansion processes in order to evaluate positive and negative effects of the efforts for a more balanced spatial pattern and interpret certain projects for the infrastructure development.

Institute Programme

The Institute programme consists of lectures, workshops and a Round Table. Lectures 90 minutes each will provide top level presentations of major aspects involved in the Programme. They should be attended by all participants.

Each workshop will be arranged for one week duration. Workshop sessions - scheduled for 90 minutes daily - will be devoted to creative discussion and group work among the participants of specific questions related to the planned topics of the workshop. The positions of workshop leaders will be assigned to members of the Institute's staff. Final workshop reports will be presented to the Institute Assembly.

Lecturers and workshop leaders will cover internationally renowned scholars. As visiting speakers, high ranking European Union and government officials from Eastern and Western countries are expected.

A Round Table will be arranged on the topic "Regional Policies Facing the Expansion of the European Union", for discussion on the focus of possibilities and limitations of urban and regional planning on a cross border perspective. For further information please contact:

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36TH CONFERENCE, ASRLDF, SEPT. 6-9, 2000

The next Conference of the French section of the Regional Science Association, XXXVI Colloque de l'Association de Science Regional de Langue Francaise (ASRLDF) will take place in Crans-Montana (Switzerland), 6-9th of September 2000. The Title of the Conference is "Développement régional, économie du savoir, nouvelles technologies de l'information et de la communication" -

Regional development, knowledge economy, new technologies of information and communication. More information is available at <http://www.unine.ch/irer/asrdlf.htm>.

INTERNATIONAL THÜNEN-CONFERENCE 2000.

On the occasion of the 150th anniversary of Johann Heinrich von Thünen's death, an international Thünen conference will be held on 21 to 23 September 2000 at the University of Rostock and the Thünen memorial site in Tellow (in the north-eastern part of Germany). Contributions will focus on Spatial Economics, particularly "New Economic Geography", Agricultural Science and Agricultural Ecology, nad Johann Heinrich von Thünen's ideas in a history-of-science perspective.

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CULTURAL UNIQUENESS AND REGIONAL ECONOMY. INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, 22-24 NOVEMBER 2000, LEEUWARDEN, THE NETHERLANDS

The international conference "Cultural Uniqueness and Regional Economy" (www.cure3.nl) will be held in the Netherlands in the town of Leeuwarden. The central theme of this international conference is the concept of outstanding regions: exploring quality in a competitive world. Topics are Labour market, Regional policy, Social development, Regional culture and identity, and Learning regions. The conference will combine a scientific character with a search for concrete policy implications. The conference should bring together scientists from economy, geography, sociology, rural development, culture etc. with policy makers and others who are involved in regional development. At the conference we hope to connect the different fields of research and policy, and, above all, hope to connect people who are dealing with these related issues.

More information can be obtained at the web site www.cure3.nl, or contact Engbert Boneschansker at cure3@fa.knaw.nl or Jouke van Dijk at j.van.dijk@frw.rug.nl

CALL FOR PAPERS: NORTH AMERICAN MEETINGS OF THE REGIONAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONAL CHICAGO, NOVEMBER 2000

Paper submissions will be held open until at least September 1. Space is limited, however, so individuals will be asked to present no more than one paper. A person presenting one paper can be listed as co-author (second author or lower) on a second paper provided that someone else presents the second paper. Organized sessions of at least 4 but no more than 5 papers are welcomed. The program committee may add to specially organized sessions with fewer than 4 papers. Look for more information soon on the RSAI website at <http://rsai.geography.ohio-state.edu/rsai/homepage.htm>.

CALL FOR PAPERS: TRANSPORTATION ECONOMICS SPECIAL ISSUE

The special issue on transportation economics has been rescheduled for November 2000. We welcome transportation economic theory and policy studies, as well as regional-science-oriented urban and regional studies incorporating transportation analysis. Piloting the issue as Guest Editor is Dr. Masayuki Doi of University of Tsukuba. New submission deadline: May 31, 2000. See details in the March issue. Manuscripts are limited to a maximum length of 25 pages, double-spaced text. As we use the double-blind peer review system, author names and affiliations should not appear on the cover or in the text. Initial submission must be in printed form.

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WORKSHOPS

CENTER FOR SPATIALLY INTEGRATED SOCIAL SCIENCE (CSISS) SUMMER WORKSHOP PROGRAM AND PARTICIPANT SCHOLARSHIPS

Registration and scholarship applications are invited for participation in the following CSISS-sponsored workshops. The application deadline is 20 May 2000, but early submissions are encouraged and early acceptances and awards may be made. All successful applicants will be notified by 25 May. Application procedures and detailed information on workshop content and format will be found at <http://www.ncgia.ucsb.edu/CSISS/workshops>. Information on accommodations will be provided with notice of acceptance and announcement of scholarship awards.

CSISS is funded by the National Science Foundation under its program of support for infrastructure in the social and behavioral sciences. It is located at the University of California, Santa Barbara, and its programs focus on the methods, tools, techniques, software, data access, and other services needed to promote and facilitate a novel and integrating approach to social science.

BAYESIAN PERSPECTIVES ON SPATIAL ANALYSIS IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES 19-23 JUNE 2000, SEATTLE WA

Topics covered: Markov Chain Monte Carlo Analysis, Network Analysis and Random Graph Modeling; use of WINBUGS and UCINET software.

Instructors: Michael Ward (Political Science, workshop coordinator), Julian Besag (Statistics), Martina Morris (Statistics and Sociology), and guest presenters from a range of social and statistical sciences.

Co-sponsor with CSISS and host institution: The Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, University of Washington (<http://www.csss.washington.edu>).

MULTIAGENT SPATIAL MODELING 24-28 JULY 2000, LOS ANGELES CA

Topics covered: Use of Java and C++ for developing simulation programs, representing space, and handling geographic models; creating multiple agents to act in geographic space; enabling agent change through adaptive learning and evolutionary computation, collecting and visualizing statistics based on multiple runs; and evaluation of existing programs and research. No programming experience is needed, however familiarity with Windows environment and World Wide Web is recommended.

Instructor: Nicholas Gessler workshop coordinator (Anthropologist, Humanities Computing, and Department of Geography, UCLA). Guest speakers: Steven Bankes (Evolving Logic Associates and Rand Corp.), Catherine Dibble (Geography, UCSB), Jonathan Gratch (Information Sciences Institute, USC), and Alex Singer (Integrated Media Systems, USC).

Co-sponsor with CSISS and host institution: Center for Computational Social Science and Social Informatics and the Department of Design and Media Arts, University of California, Los Angeles (<http://www.ccss.ucla.edu>)

AN INTRODUCTION TO SPATIAL PATTERN ANALYSIS IN A GIS ENVIRONMENT 14-18 AUGUST 2000, SANTA BARBARA CA

Topics covered: Introduction to GIS, pattern statistics and measures of spatial pattern, point-pattern software, research and developments in spatial pattern analysis, and exploratory spatial data analysis. No prior experience in spatial analysis is required.

Instructors: Arthur Getis (Geography, workshop coordinator) and John R. Weeks (International Population Center) at San Diego State University, Michael Goodchild (CSISS, University of California Santa Barbara), and Lauren Scott (Environmental Systems Research Institute)

Host Institution: CSISS, University of California, Santa Barbara

INTERUNIVERSITY CONSORTIUM ON POLITICAL AND SOCIAL RESEARCH SUMMERPROGRAM

CSISS is offering scholarships to assist registrants in the following workshops sponsored by ICPSR. Apply to register for these workshops through ICPSR. See www.icpsr.umich.edu/sumprog/S2000/ for details and requirements, or contact Hank Heitowit (hank@icpsr.umich.edu), Director, ICPSR Summer Program. Apply for scholarships through CSISS (instructions at www.ncgia.ucsb.edu/CSISS/workshops).

INTRODUCTION TO SPATIAL DATA ANALYSIS MAY 22-26, URBANA-CHAMPAIGN IL

Topics covered: Spatial data visualization and exploration, analysis of clusters and point patterns, global and local indicators of spatial autocorrelation, variogram analysis, and introduction to spatial regression analysis, SpaceStat software. Prior familiarity with multivariate statistics and basic concepts of probability theory, and some knowledge of desktop GIS software, expected of participants.

Instructor: Luc Anselin, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Host Institution: ICPSR and the University of Illinois (<http://spacestat.com/introsatialdata.htm>)

SPATIAL REGRESSION ANALYSIS AUGUST 14-18, ANN ARBOR MI

Topics covered: Spatial econometrics, incorporating spatial effects in regression models, maximum likelihood and other estimation methods for spatial regression models, specification searches in spatial regression analysis, and implementation of spatial regression analysis in standard software packages. Participant background in intermediate regression analysis or intermediate econometrics, and familiarity with introductory spatial data analysis, expected.

Instructor: Luc Anselin, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Host Institution: ICPSR, University of Michigan (<http://spacestat.com/spatialregression.htm>)

A Note from the Editor This is the last issue of the RSAI Newsletter for which I will be editor. My replacement has yet to be designated. Hence, materials for the August 2000 Newsletter should be directed to RSAI Headquarters in Urbana. Mailing and electronic addresses are listed on page 2 of this Newsletter.

Although I will no longer edit the Newsletter, I will be taking on the maintenance of the primary RSAI Web site. Any material you wish to post there should be directed to me at

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