

# (Net) working in Interdisciplinary and International Environments:

How the RSA can help you to develop your international networks

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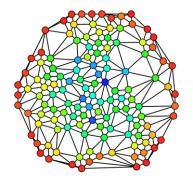
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## Be part of ....



Evidence of international engagement



Engagement in multi- and interdisciplinary work



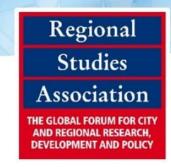
Publishing paradigm is shifting towards open access publishing models



Communities of knowledge and practice



## Why is it worth engaging?



## Publish or Perish no longer...

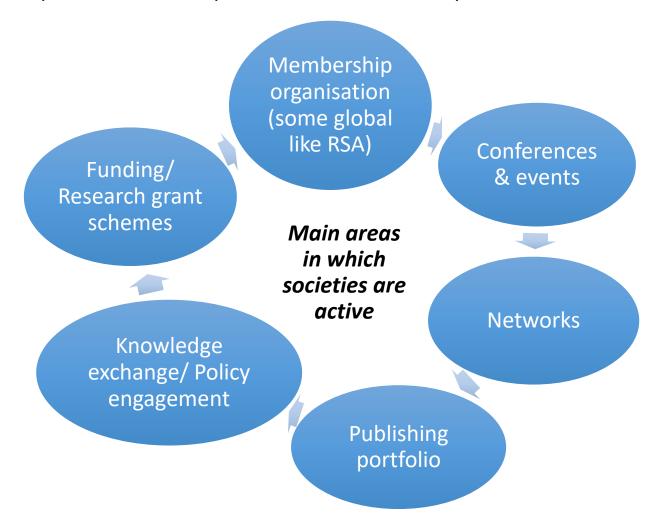
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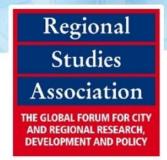
- Be discoverable or die
- Be visible or vanish
- Be cited or suffer



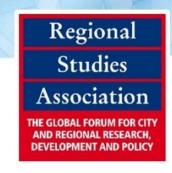
### Make the most of learned societies

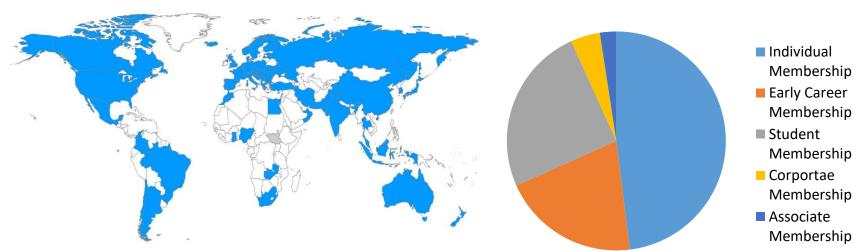
Every discipline and sub discipline has a learned society.





## **Regional Studies Association**





Global and inter-disciplinary

Membership figures continue to grow steadily year after year, with the biggest growth seen in the Early Career and Student memberships

### **RSA Grants & Awards**

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- Early Career Grant £10,000
- MeRSA £5,000
- FeRSA £7,500
- Research Networks £10,000
- Travel Grant £500
- Conference Bursaries
- Policy Expo £15,000 with 2 deliverables an OA article for RSRS and a short policy relevant book (ca. 28,000 words) to be bundled with the journals and given in print form to all RSA members
- Variety of awards



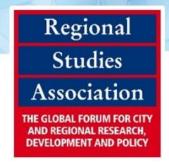
## **Student & Early Career specific**

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- ✓ Annual Conference
- ✓ Social events at major international conferences
- ✓ Special sessions e.g. publishing, building your career, publishing for non-native speakers, speed dating with editors
- ✓ European Week of Regions and Cities
  - EU Cohesion Policy Master Class
  - University sessions
- ✓ Publishing support RSRS mentored section
- ✓ APC waiver for RSRS student and ECR mentored section
- ✓ Facebook group
- ✓ ECR Grant Scheme and ERC award
- ✓ Recent Master Award



## **Career Development**





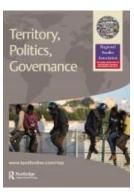
- ✓ Student & ECR Representatives on the RSA Board and other RSA committees
- ✓ ECR plenary speaker competition
- ✓ ECR Editor posts
- ✓ RSA Opportunities page for jobs and grants
- ✓ Become a territorial representative or work actively in a Branch, Section, Division
- ✓ Expert Register in the members' lounge
- ✓ Organise a Special Session at an RSA conference

## **Publishing**

- Regional Studies ECR Editor
- Spatial Economic Analysis ECR Editor
- Territory, Politics, Governance ECR Editor
- Regional Studies, Regional Science Students & ECR mentored paper section
- Area Development and Policy
- Regions and Cities Book Series
- Regions Members' Magazine

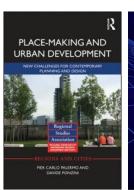




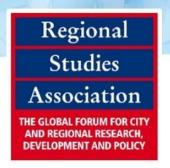








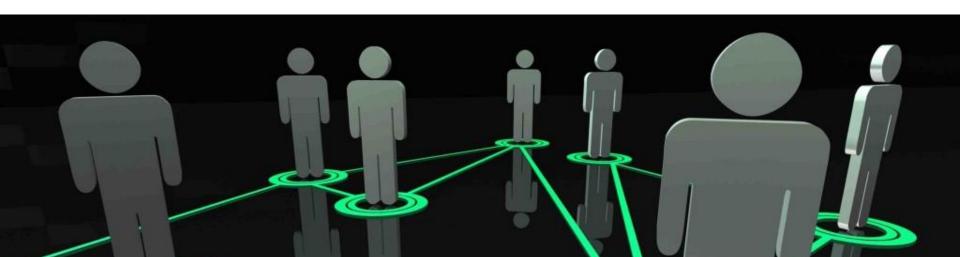




# Informal routes to getting your name & work know

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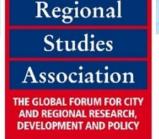
- ✓ Befriend conference spec. session organiser
- ✓ Organise and promote a special session
- ✓ Use Association's social media
- ✓ Write a piece for Regions, the RSA Blog or RSA Student & ECR Facebook group
- ✓ Offer to moderate or chair a conference session
- ✓ Network all the times



# Helping yourself through publication – the quick wins

#### **BE DISCOVERABLE**

- Title, Abstract, Keywords
- Author e-prints (usually 50 copies)
- Email signature
- Reading list see if you can get on the student reading list
- Library recommendation
- Video abstract
- Always give the link to the version on the publishers' site so that you capture the download figures

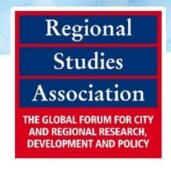




## Social Media and online sharing

#### **BUILD YOUR COMMUNITY**

- Your departmental website
- LinkedIn mention article –give reference
- Use academic social networking sites e.g. academia.edu
- Use CiteULike to share your article and your reading lists
- Use discussion lists (e.g. JISCMail)
- Blog
- Twitter and Facebook not in China but Weibo & WeChat replaces them
- Personal Wikipedia page
- Take flyers to hand out at conferences for books and articles
- Consider press release (often not appropriate)
- Books need different marketing SAGE author resource site is good on this













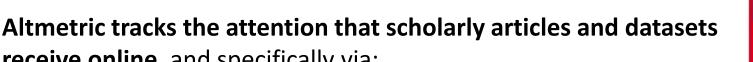






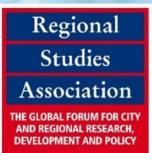
### **Altmetrics**

**receive online,** and specifically via:



- **Social media** like Twitter, Facebook, Google+, Pinterest and blogs
- **Traditional media** both mainstream (The Guardian, New York Times) and science specific (New Scientist, Scientific American). Many non-English language titles are covered.
- Online reference managers like Mendeley and CiteULike





### The end of the line?

#### Of course not – see:

- ImpactStory
- JournalGuide, HMP, Journalysis
- Portable reviews Rubriq and Pre-Val
- Crowdsource reviews emerging like Trip Advisor
- Storify
- Supplementary material for your article on RSA journals with Figshare
- Kudos
- Vitae







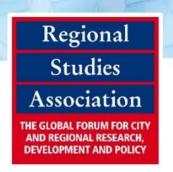






## Finally.....

### Messages to leave you with...

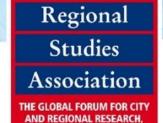


- Symbiotic learned society/ member relationship
- Societies work with research leaders
- Be proactive
- Volunteer/ be engaged
- Maximise the career value of your publications

## Thank you!

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