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# Novel Approaches to Sustainable and Inclusive Development

## 2018 Regional Studies Association European Foundation Socio-Spatial Dynamics Summer College

CRENoS (Centre for North South Economic Research)  
University of Università di Cagliari, Cagliari, Sardinia, Italy  
4th - 7th September 2018

Significant societal challenges concern everybody and addressing and solving them is a community effort. The Regional Studies Association Europe's Socio-Spatial Dynamics Summer College will create a fertile environment to tackle these challenges, training students and young researchers to collaborate and work across disciplines.

The RSA Europe's Summer College has been established to focus on how ideas, theories, methods and data can be leveraged across disciplines for the purpose of scientific advancement. Applications are welcome from PhD candidates and post-docs who have been awarded a PhD in the past 5 years, from a variety of disciplines and institutional backgrounds.

While the quest for answers and solutions to important socio-economic challenges might be the driving force behind scientific and technical progress, the RSA Europe's Summer College will foster an environment where asking the right questions is equally important.

### Main objectives

- To develop new networks beyond Economic Geography and Regional Science and/or Studies
- To explore collaborations at the intersection of disciplines
- To push the frontier of scientific inquiry in one field by incorporation of ideas and theories from others
- To connect young talented researchers from various disciplinary backgrounds
- To offer participants valuable networking opportunities with peers and also with course tutors
- To offer participants training in methods and skills and the opportunity to discuss and develop their understanding of, and contribution to, theoretical advancement
- To encourage and pursue the development of future leading researchers



## Summer College Committee

The RSA Europe's Socio-Spatial Dynamics Summer College is organised by Regional Studies Association European Foundation through an interdisciplinary committee:

- Emanuela Marrocu - CRENoS & Dept of Economics and Business, Università di Cagliari, Sardinia
- Riccardo Crescenzi - Dept of Geography, London School of Economics, UK
- Dieter F. Kogler - Spatial Dynamics Lab, University College Dublin, Ireland
- Alessandro Plaisant - Dept of Architecture, Design and Urbanization, Università di Sassari, Italy
- Stefano Usai - CRENoS & Dept of Economics and Business, Università di Cagliari, Sardinia
- David Bailey - Aston University, UK

The venue, CRENoS (Centre for North South Economic Research) is located at the University of Cagliari in the stunning Mediterranean metropolis of Cagliari, Sardinia, and provides an ideal setting for this event.

### Application process

Please submit all documents and video via the platform provided on the RSA Europe's Summer College webpage at <http://www.regionalstudies.org/conferences/conference/2018-rsa-socio-spatial-dynamics-summer-college> by **Monday, 25th June 2018**. Selected applicants will be notified by the **29th June 2018**.

If you have any problems with your application, please email [klara.sobekova@regionalstudies.org](mailto:klara.sobekova@regionalstudies.org).

### The application should include:

- A 3-minute (max) video introducing yourself and outlining your current research project (PhD thesis or research project if post-doctoral fellow)
- One-page statement of interest connected to the theme of the RSA Europe's Summer College
- Two page CV
- Three specific research questions you would like to discuss whilst at the RSA Europe's Summer College
- Extended abstract of your PhD thesis (3 pages max)

If accepted to the RSA Europe's Summer College, you will be subsequently asked to produce an A1 sized research poster on your project to be displayed during the conference.

The registration fee is 150€ covering accommodation, meals and social activities.



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