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# **INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN SOUTH AMERICA: EMPOWERING KNOWLEDGE FLOWS AND COLLABORATION NETWORKS**

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## KIRDSA Network

Aims to promote research on regional development in South America, focused on knowledge flows and innovation capabilities

Website: <https://www.regionalstudies.org/network/knowledge-innovation-and-regional-development-in-south-america/>

## Call for papers

The **International conference on regional development in South America: empowering knowledge flows and collaboration networks** is organized by RSA- KIRDSA Network, with the support of Universidad de la República and the Young Scholar Initiative.

## Organizing committee

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Igor Tupy (Universidade Federal de Viçosa – Brazil).

# Call for applications

This conference aims to bring together researchers studying the creation and dissemination of knowledge in the South American context and development processes with a territorial approach in the region's countries.

We welcome contributions that are related, but not exclusively, to the following topics:

- Innovation and development in territories specializing in extractive industries.
- Interaction and collaboration networks in innovation processes of South America
- Relatedness, productive specialization and technological diversification in South American regions
- Local development, clusters and industrial districts in the context of South American countries
- Environmental challenges and green transitions in South American regions
- Migration, brain drain and brain circulation in South America
- Cities as poles of development, innovation and inequality in South America
- Global Value Chains, knowledge flows and diversification opportunities in South America cities.
- Gender gaps in science, technology and innovation, causal factors at the regional level.

We welcome contributions with theoretical focus, methodological innovations and/ or with implications for the design of public policies for innovation and regional development in South American countries.

Upload your contribution here: <https://bit.ly/kirdsa>

- Extended abstracts: max 2500 words. References, figures and/or tables that are not considered in the word count.
- Full papers (optional): max 8000 words

# Additional information

## Important dates

**June 20th:** Submission for abstracts (and papers) Start

**September 20th:** Submission for abstracts (and papers) End

**October 20th:** Notification of acceptance

## Registration & financial support

There is no registration fee. Thanks to Regional Studies Association (RSA), funds are available to partially finance travel and accommodation of RSA members.

In addition, the Urban and Regional Economics Working Group of the Young Scholar Initiative (YSI) - Institute of New Economic Thinking (INET) encourages and supports **Young Scholars** (Students/ Early Career). Partial travel and accommodation funds are available. If you apply for the YSI session, please specify in your submission.

Conference proceedings will be published online including ISBN(optional)

Considering the international characteristic of the network, we use English for written communication, but submissions and presentations can be delivered in **English, Spanish or Portuguese.**

## Keynote speaker & activities

**Keynote speaker confirmed:** Ron Boschma, Professor in Regional Economics (Utrecht University) and Innovation Studies (University of Stavanger)

Conference activities: parallel sessions, keynote plenaries, round table with policy makers and a paper development workshop.

# Contacts

## **RSA**

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## **Urban and Regional Economics Working Group Young Scholar Initiative - Institute of New Economic Thinking**

YSI Organisers of the Young Scholar session:

- Igor Tupy
- Andrea Belmartino

Scan the QR code or submit your contribution here: <https://bit.ly/kirdsa>



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