

Publish with the Regional Studies Association

If you are presenting a paper at this conference, we encourage you to consider a submission to an RSA journal or one of our other publishing platforms. Below you will find an overview of our publications:

Journals



Area Development and Policy

<https://rsa.tandfonline.com/toc/rard20/current>

Area Development and Policy (ADP) publishes original academic research examining the multi-scalar and geographically differentiated relationships between economic and political organization, ways of life and work and their context, as they shape regions, cities, rural areas and their inter-relationships. Geographically it concentrates on issues relating to the Greater BRICS and aims to publish research emerging from these countries as well from the developed world.

ADP recognizes that the economic, political, cultural and geographical context plays a fundamental role in shaping development. It recognises that research should examine the role of diverse national and regional institutional configurations and values. ADP is exceptional in that it sets out to publish research reflecting a range of perspectives and approaches that emerge from the Greater BRICS/Global South and East and by scholars who see the world through a variety of lenses, including ones not frequently reflected in mainstream Western journals.

A unique project of this kind is important in contributing to international communication, dialogue and understanding. To this end, ADP allows authors to contribute in their own research writing tradition rather than having to conform to Euro-American norms. This journal is ground breaking in this respect, and this feature has been widely welcomed by the global research community.

Why publish with Area Development and Policy?

The journal is listed in key citation databases and indexes. For more details on this click [here](#).

Along with standard Research Articles (8,000 words) and Review Articles (6,000 words), ADP also welcomes Research Notes (short articles presenting the results of original research and which briefly situates the research in relation to existing empirical and theoretical literature) of up to 4,000 words, and Commentaries (short articles commenting in a significant way on, or supplementing arguments and evidence in a Research Article or a Review Article) of up to 2,000 words.

All submitted research is subject to rigorous peer review, involving initial editor screening and anonymized refereeing by at least two referees. Instructions for authors can be found [here](#).

Open Access publishing

This journal offers an open access publishing route. For more details see the journal's website. Please check if your institution or research funder is part of a transformative agreement with Routledge Publishing as this would mean you could publish open access in this journal without paying an APC.



Regional Studies, Regional Science

<https://rsa.tandfonline.com/toc/rsrs20/current>

Regional Studies, Regional Science (RSRS) is an interdisciplinary gold open access journal and particularly welcomes submissions from authors working on regional issues in geography, economics, planning, and political science.

The journal features a streamlined peer-review process and quick turnaround times from submission to acceptance. Authors will normally receive a decision on their manuscript within 60 days of submission. Instructions for authors can be found [here](#).

RSRS allows for a range of article types including full length research articles of up 8,000 words, shorter papers of around 5,000 words and a 'regional graphics' section, which capitalises upon the importance of geographic data visualisation in our field. We are also happy to accept review papers, and more descriptive papers, so long as they contribute something new. The Editors are always happy to discuss potential submissions. The journal also offers a [mentored publishing route](#) for PhD students and early career academics.

"The greatest value of the Student and Early Career mentored section in RSRS is its high-quality mentorship that is fast and constructive. With the guidance received, I have not only managed to produce a better piece of work but above all I have gained valuable knowledge on how to transmit my research in a precise, structured and clear manner. This is a key asset to merit. Many thanks!"

Anastasiia Konstantynova,
Post-Doc Researcher in Territorial Competitiveness Orchestra,
Basque Institute for Competitiveness, San Sebastian, Spain

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Article Processing Charge (APC)

Open Access journals charge an APC to cover production related costs. Open Access which means that the article is freely and permanently available online. There is no additional subscription fee, article pay-to-view fee or any other form of access fee; and no publication embargo is applied. This means that your paper will be freely accessible to anyone globally with internet access and thus increases and widens the readership particularly also to policy makers and practitioners.

RSA members benefit from a **20% discount** off the APC for accepted submissions.

APC rates for non-RSA members are:

\$1,860/£1,460/€1,695/AUD2,540 for Standard Journal Length Papers or Review Papers

\$1,170/£920/€1,065/AUD1,595 for Regional Policy Briefings or Short Papers

\$950/£745/€865/AUD1295 for Regional Graphics

Authors publishing via the mentored publishing route for PhD students and early career researchers have the APC funded by the RSA.



Regional Studies

<https://rsa.tandfonline.com/toc/cres20/current>

Regional Studies (RS) is a leading international journal covering the development of theories and concepts, empirical analysis and policy debate in the field of regional studies. The journal publishes original research spanning the economic, social, political and environmental dimensions of urban and regional (subnational) change. The distinctive purpose of *RS* is to connect insights across intellectual disciplines in a systematic and grounded way to understand how and why regions and cities evolve. It publishes research that distils how economic and political processes and outcomes are contingent upon regional and local circumstances. The journal is a pluralist forum, which showcases diverse perspectives and analytical techniques.

Essential criteria for papers to be accepted for *RS* are that they make a substantive contribution to scholarly debates, are sub-national in focus, conceptually well-informed, empirically grounded and methodologically sound. Submissions are also expected to engage with wider debates that advance the field of regional studies and are of interest to readers of the journal. Instructions for authors can be found [here](#).

In addition to papers for the main part of the journal, RS also accepts the following types of article/ submissions:

Urban and Regional Horizons, a periodic section dedicated to agenda-setting work that stimulates new thinking and novel approaches to addressing the big intellectual questions, issues and challenges in regional studies.

Policy Debates, a periodic section that provides a forum for analysis and debate about important policy issues of international relevance in urban and regional development.

Book Reviews provide analysis and comment on key recent publications in regional studies.

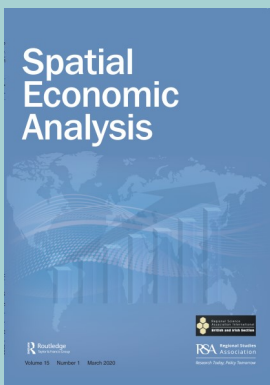
Special Issues draw together contributions around key themes in regional studies from established and emerging researchers in the field.

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Spatial Economic Analysis

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Spatial Economic Analysis (SEA) is an economics journal dedicated to the development of theory and methods in spatial economics, published by two of the world's leading learned societies in the analysis of spatial economics, the Regional Studies Association, and the British and Irish Section of the Regional Science Association International.

A spatial perspective has become increasingly relevant to our understanding of economic phenomena, both on the global scale and at the scale of cities and regions. The growth in international trade, the opening up of emerging markets, the restructuring of the world economy along regional lines, and overall strategic and political significance of globalization,

have re-emphasised the importance of geographical analysis. Spatial variations in economic development within cities and regions are also highly topical subjects for intellectual enquiry and have long been the focus of policy initiatives by national, regional and local governments.

The awakening emphasis on space among economists has been stimulated by the emergence of a new breed of theory, namely 'new economic geography' or 'geographical economics'. This new theory adds a significant new dimension to the already existing theoretical tools of spatial economics, which broadly aim to analyse the role of geography and location in economic phenomena. Additionally, spatial economic analysis is increasingly being supported by the emergence of new analytical methods, with an explosion of interest in new models and techniques of spatial data analysis and data visualisation (GIS). Spatial econometrics is becoming increasingly recognised as a valuable sub-discipline among mainstream econometricians. Instructions for authors can be found [here](#)

The editorial board of *Spatial Economic Analysis* particularly welcomes:

- innovative contributions to theory, methods and models related to urban and spatial matters;
- contributions to key underrepresented geographical areas;
- spatial economic analytical contributions to key underrepresented topics in the social sciences, such as criminology, demography, political science, public health, sociology, human geography;
- applications of spatial econometrics to microeconomic data, survey data, flow data, and limited dependent variables; and contributions
- to the Replication Studies section that replicate or document robustness tests of studies within the scope of the journal.

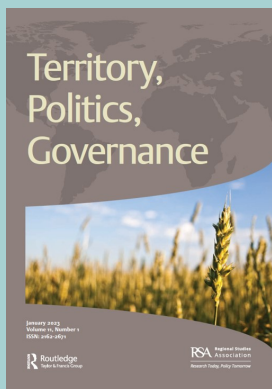
The journal is published by two of the world's leading learned societies in the analysis of spatial economics, the Regional Studies Association and the British and Irish Section of the Regional Science Association International.

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Territory, Politics, Governance

<https://rsa.tandfonline.com/toc/rtep20/current>

Territory, Politics, Governance (TPG) is an interdisciplinary journal committed to the development of theory and research in territorial politics and the governance of space. This journal creates a platform on which to explore the interface between territory, politics, economy, identity and the organisation of political space. It confronts topical and emergent issues of world economic and political concern. The journal publishes original, high quality international scholarship from this growing, international and increasingly vibrant field directed at a worldwide academic audience and at policy makers, activists and other communities of practice.

To be accepted, a paper must adhere to a high standard of scholarship and make an important contribution to this emerging field. Original paper submissions are sought from political scientists, geographers, sociologists, planners, lawyers, humanists and others working on territorial politics and the governance of space. It is essential reading for academics and practitioners alike. Instructions for authors can be found at [here](#)

We encourage contributions that develop the field and promote communication across spatial and disciplinary borders. The following examples illustrate some of the subjects of interest:

- Links between territories and politics across time and space
- Globalization and geopolitical imaginations
- Theories of socio-spatial relations such as territories, places, scales, and networks
- Territory, planning, and development
- Multi-level governance, federalism, and supranational organizations
- Territories of resistance
- Spaces of postcolonial governance

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Finance and Space

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Finance and Space is a new and pioneering interdisciplinary journal focusing on diverse aspects of the spatial production of finance and the financial production of space. As such, it addresses some of the most profound processes and pressing challenges of our times, including digitization, neoliberalization, financialization, globalization and deglobalization, uneven development, power, and inequalities, (in)security, the environmental crisis, and the role of finance in building more sustainable economies.

While dedicated to a geographical imagination, the journal is founded on the belief that advancing our understanding of the changing finance-space nexus requires an interdisciplinary approach and heterodox thinking about finance across space and time. This includes, but is not limited to, political economy and political science, economics and regional science, sociology, anthropology, housing studies, environmental studies, financial history, development studies, and urban and regional planning, in addition to geography, regional studies, and urban studies. The distinctive purpose of *Finance and Space* is to connect insights across intellectual disciplines in a systematic and grounded way to understand how and why finance and space co-evolve, and impacts on economy, society, and the environment. The journal is a pluralist forum, which showcases diverse perspectives and analytical techniques.

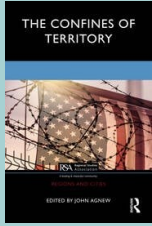
The journal is published by the Regional Studies Association and the Global Network on Financial Geography (FinGeo).

The journal welcomes the following types of submissions:

- Full length original research articles (8,000)
- Commentaries focusing on recent developments in the subject area, including strategy and policy in private and public sectors (2,000 words).
- Visualisations (FinVis) showing research-based innovative maps and other visualisations of the finance-space nexus (with an accompanying text of up to 500 words).

Essential criteria for research articles to be accepted for *Finance and Space* are that they make a substantive contribution to scholarly debates, are conceptually well-informed, empirically grounded, and methodologically sound.

Other RSA publishing platforms



RSA Regions and Cities Book Series

<https://www.routledge.com/series/RSA>

In today's globalised, knowledge-driven and networked world, regions and cities have assumed heightened significance as the interconnected nodes of economic, social and cultural production, and as sites of new modes of economic governance and policy experimentation.

This Book Series brings together incisive and critically engaged international and interdisciplinary research on the resurgence of regions and cities, and should be of interest to geographers, economists, sociologists, political scientists and cultural scholars, as well policy-makers involved in regional and urban development. If you wish to discuss an idea for the RSA Book Series, please email Kristina Abbotts, Routledge Commissioning Editor at kristina.abbotts@tandf.co.uk

Dissemination Support for Authors

The RSA increases the dissemination of research and supports authors publishing in this book series through the promotion of new books, organisation of online book launches in cooperation with the author(s) and by offering a platform for the publication of book reviews.



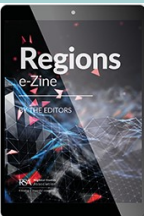
RSA Blog

<http://blog.regionalstudies.org/>

The RSA Blog has been running since 2010 and provides an online platform for the RSA and its community to share short, engaging articles on research and the latest developments in the field. The writing style within the Blog is less academic than academic journal articles. See [here](#) for guidelines.

The Blog runs an annual student summer series when we publish content written by graduate students (Master's or PhD students at any stage in their program or recently completed). Students must be working within or across regional studies disciplines, encompassing various subjects such as: political science, economics, socio-cultural studies, geography, rural/urban studies, environmental science/studies, socio-economic sustainability, health and population studies, justice, planning, and business management (just to name a few!).

If you wish to discuss an idea for a Blog article, please email the Editor at RSABlog@regionalstudies.org.



Regions e-Zine

<https://regions.regionalstudies.org/>

The Regions e-Zine is the RSA's online and open access digital magazine. The editorial team strives to ensure that Regions continues to be a vital tool to showcase the excellent regional-based research carried out by all members and friends of the Regional Studies Association. Regions e-Zine is published three times a year and all articles receive a DOI. For guidelines, please click [here](#).

Regions' sections:

- Regional Insights: Articles between 800 and 1000 words providing a fresh take on regional studies.
- Research Frontline: Articles between 1500 - 2000 words reflecting innovative regional research.
- Spotlight: Articles of 2000 - 2500 words taking an in-depth look at critical issues for regional studies.
- Research Hacks: Articles of 800 - 1000 reflecting on academic experiences and practices.

If you are interested in submitting to Regions please contact us at office@regionalstudies.org and we will work closely with you to help your article appear in a way most interesting to our readership.