Regional Studies Association Blog

Call for Blog Contributions 2025

Global Regional Development Perspectives

The Regional Studies Association invites contributions to our blog that explore diverse understandings of regions and regional development worldwide. This open call welcomes submissions year-round from researchers, practitioners, policymakers, and scholars across all disciplines related to regional studies.

Focus

Regions are intricate constructs that go beyond traditional boundaries, encompassing intersections of political, economic, socio-cultural, environmental, and justice issues. We invite scholarly contributions that explore regional concepts across various linguistic, cultural, and policy contexts. The blog welcomes submissions from authors both within and outside the RSA community—whether you've published in <u>our journals</u> before or are entirely new to our network. For examples of previously published content and to better understand our style and approach, we encourage you to browse our blog archive at RSA Blog: <u>www.regionalstudies.org/rsa-blog</u>

Our platform serves as a space for engaging academic discourse and innovative research in regional studies, addressing themes in economics, geography, planning, political science, and related disciplines.

We particularly encourage authors with peer-reviewed publications to submit accessible versions of their research (including DOIs to original publications), but we equally value fresh perspectives from emerging scholars, practitioners, and policy experts who can contribute to regional development discussions.

While maintaining conversational accessibility, contributions should offer substantive analysis and critical engagement with regional development concepts. The blog serves as a bridge between academic research and broader audiences, maintaining scholarly integrity while avoiding opinion-based commentary.

Multi-scalar Approach

We welcome perspectives exploring regional concepts across scales, from multinational frameworks to micro-regional formations and urban-rural interfaces.

Submission Requirements

- Word count: 500-800 words
- Language: English
- Style: Conversational yet scholarly, accessible whilst maintaining academic rigour
- **Multimedia**: We encourage the incorporation of relevant visualizations, maps, photographs, or brief audio clips that enhance your analysis
- References: Include at least two sources (with links if available)

• For peer-reviewed work: Please include DOI links to your original research

Submission Process

Please submit your blog post as a Word document to <u>rsablog@regionalstudies.org</u>.

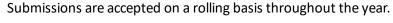
Include:

- Author headshot(s) (.png or .jpeg)
- 1-3 relevant images or multimedia elements
- Credentials, institutional affiliation, and position/title
- Brief author bio (50-100 words)
- Geographical focus information
- Social media handles (LinkedIn, ORCID, X, Bluesky, etc.)



If you have ideas you'd like to discuss or are unsure about any aspect of your potential contribution, please don't hesitate to contact us before submitting. We welcome early conversations about your blog ideas.

Deadline





For questions, please contact the RSA Blog Editorial Team at <u>rsablog@regionalstudies.org</u>.

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- Institutional Website: www.regionalstudies.org
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The Regional Studies Association Blog is committed to fostering intellectual dialogue that transcends traditional academic boundaries, promoting comprehensive understanding of regional developmental complexities.