

Rethinking the Region & Regionalism in Australasia: Challenges & Opportunities for the 21st Century

Conference Program

Monday 31 August, 2015

19:00 20:30 | **Welcome Reception:** Design Hub, Building 100, Level 10, Corner Victoria and Swanston Streets

Tuesday 1 September, 2015

08:15	18:00	Registration & coffee – Foyer, Level 7, Swanston Academic Building Room 1, Level 7 - Lecture Theatre		
09:00	10:45	Plenary Session 1: Welcome to Conference Chair: Professor Peter Fairbrother, Global cities Research Institute, RMIT - Professor Andrew Beer, Chair, RSA, The University of Adelaide, Australia - Jaala Pulford, Victorian Minister for Regional Development, Australia		
09:15	09:45	Keynote Speaker 1: Nanaia Mahuta, MP Hauraki-Waikato; Labour Spokesperson for Maori Development; Senior Maori Vice-President of the NZ Labour Party, New Zealand Title: 'Indigenous Development Strategies – The Maori Experience'		
09:45	10:15	Keynote Speaker 2: Professor Kevin Morgan, Cardiff University, UK 'Metropolitics: Urban Governance in the Age of the City-Region'		
10:15	10:45	Discussion		
10:45	11:15	Morning Tea and Coffee – Foyer, Level 7, Swanston Academic Building		
11:15	12:45	PARALLEL WORKSHOPS (A)		
		Room: 2, Level 7	Room: 6, Level 7	Room: 9, Level 7
		Migration amongst Australian Regions Chair: Mike Heffernan	Regional Development in Practice Chair: Lee Pugalis	International Experiences 1 Chair: Ben Reynolds
		<i>'If Regional Australia was on a Dating Show: Three Reasons Not to Pick the Young Blonde Bombshell'</i> Morgan Rennie, Regional Australia Institute, Australia	<i>'The Political Economy of Regional Transition Programs: Rolling out the GRIIF in the Geelong Region'</i> Tom Barnes, Australian Catholic University, Australia	<i>Nurturing Gardeners for Local Economies - Insights from Osaka, Japan</i> Takashi Yamamoto, Takushoku University, Japan and Masaaki Takemura, Meiji University, Japan
		<i>'Push-pull Factors in Migration to Regional Areas: a Service Marketing Perspective and Research Agenda'</i> Steven D'Alessandro & Parikshit Basu, Charles Sturt University, Australia	<i>'Beyond the Firm: Path Dependent Evolution in Regional Electricity Pricing in Australia'</i> Sangeetha Chandrashekeran, University of Melbourne, Australia	<i>The Disjuncture of National and Local Policy Strategies in Chinese Cities: Exploring the Interface of Affordable Housing Strategies and Human Capital Market'</i> Julie Tian Miao, University of Glasgow
		<i>'Socio-Economic Drivers of Population Migration from Regional and Rural to Metropolitan Australia'</i> Karim Mardaneh, Federation University of Australia, Australia	<i>'The Challenge of Suburban Growth: Land Development for Housing in an Australian Suburban City'</i> Tony Dalton and Anitra Nelson, RMIT University, Australia	<i>'Australians Learning from International Regional Experience – Challenges of Interpretation, Translation and Governance'</i> Andrew Beer, The University of Adelaide, Australia, Bruce Wilson, and Peter Fairbrother, RMIT University, Australia
12:15	12:45	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion

12:45	13:45	Lunch Break – Foyer, Level 7, Swanston Academic Building		
		Room 1, Level 7 – Lecture Theatre		
13:45	14:30	Plenary Session 2: Chair: Jennifer Wolcott, Executive director, Regional Development Victoria, Australia		
13:45	14:30	Keynote Speaker 3: Professor Henry Wai-Chung Yeung, National University of Singapore, Singapore ‘Value Capture Trajectories and Strategic Coupling of Regions with Global Production Networks’		
14:30	16:00	PARALLEL WORKSHOPS (B)		
		Room 2, Level 7	Room 6, Level 7	Room 9, Level 7
		Migration amongst Australian regions 2 Chair: Morgan Ronnie	Prospects for Smart Specialisation Chair: Andrew Beer	International Experiences 2 Chair: Julie Tian Miao
		<i>Does Residential Diversity Attract Workers in Creative Occupations?’</i> Sveta Angelopoulos, Jonathan Boymal and Ashton de Silva, RMIT University, Australia	<i>‘Smart Specialisation: an Opportunity for Rural Areas?’</i> Micheal Steiner and Johannes Mossöböck. Karl-Franzen-University Graz, Austria	<i>‘Lessons for Australia from Scandinavian Innovations in Regional Development’</i> Andrew Scott, Deakin University, Australia
		<i>‘Who is Working in Regional Victoria and How Did They Get There? Migration Histories of Selected Workforces in Bendigo, Australia’</i> Fiona McKenzie, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning, Australia	<i>‘The Role of Regional SMEs in Systems of Regional Innovation: Innovation, Regions and Regional Economic Development in a Knowledge Economy: A Proposed Case Study of Victorian Regions’</i> Carl Germanos, RMIT University, Australia	<i>‘Building Capability for Regional Collaborations: a Success Story from South Australia Supported by Norwegian Evidence’</i> Kristine Peters, Adelaide University, Australia and May-Britt Ellingsen, Northern Research Institute, Norway
		<i>‘Regional Innovation and Human Capability: Developing a Comprehensive Framework’</i> Bruce Wilson, RMIT, European Union Centre, Australia	<i>‘Regional Innovation Management and Lessons from Inside the Sandpit’</i> Anton Kriz and Courtney Molloy, The University of Newcastle, Australia	<i>‘The Greek Tragedy: The Global Financial Crisis and the Ciftlikades’</i> Ben Reynolds, RMIT University, Australia
15:30	16:00	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion
16:00	16:30	Afternoon Tea and Coffee – Foyer, Level 7, Swanston Academic Building		

16:30	18:00	PARALLEL WORKSHOPS (C)		
		Room 2, Level 7	Room 6, Level 7	Room 9, Level 7
		<i>Climate and Regional Systems</i>	<i>City and Regional Development</i>	<i>Regions and Resilience</i>
		Chair: Michael Steiner	Chair: Tony Dalton	Chair: Peter Fairbrother
		<i>' Greenspace, Physical Activity and Wellbeing: Beyond the Mean'</i> Christopher Ambrey, Griffith University, Australia	<i>'Place-Based Deal-Making: New Modes of City and Regional Development'</i> Lee Pugalis, Northumbria University, UK	<i>'Economic Economic Resilience of Regions under Crises: a Study of the Australian Economy'</i> Jerry Courvisanos, and Karim Mardaneh, Federation University of Australia and Ameeta Jain, Deakin University, Australia
		<i>'The Impact of Regional Innovation Systems on Climate Change Adaption: Mapping Together Absorptive and Adaptive Capacity'</i> Samantha Sharpe and Brent Jacobs, University of Technology, Sydney, Australia	<i>'Cyborg Urbanization: Re-thinking city regions'</i> Wendy Steele, Yolande Strengers, Ian McShane and Crystal Legacy, RMIT University, Australia	<i>'Developing a Regional Resilience Monitor'</i> Alan Lawton, Ernesto Valenzuela, Muchelle Duffy & Damian Morgan, Federation University of Australia, Australia
		<i>'Understanding Rural Social Vulnerability to Climate Change by Leading From Within'</i> Hartmut Fünfgeld, Alianne Rance and Joanne Brown, RMIT University, Australia	<i>The Inclusive City: Atmospheres of Recovery and Belonging'</i> Cameron Duff, RMIT University, Australia	<i>'Social and Community Links - Drivers of Healthy and Active Ageing'</i> Eevon Chia, Maree Bernoth, Rylee Diongi & Oliver Burmeister, Charles Sturt University, Australia
17:30	18:00	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion
18:00		Close		
19:30	22:30	Gala Conference Dinner Venue: Café Italia, Piazza, 56 – 66 University Street, Carlton, Melbourne		

Wednesday 2 September, 2015

08:30	18:00	Registration & coffee – Foyer, Level 7, Swanston Academic Building		
		Room: Room 1, Level 7 – Lecture Theatre		
9:00	10:30	Plenary Session: 3		
		Chair: Bruce Wilson, European Union Centre, RMIT		
9:00	9:30	Keynote Speaker 4:		
		Carlo Gianelle, European Commission, Joint Research Centre, Smart Specialisation Platform, Spain		
		'Smart Specialisation: An Opportunity For Growth In The European Union'		
9:30	10:00	Keynote Speaker 5:		
		Professor Mick Dunford, Sussex University, UK and Chines Academy of Sciences, China		
		'An Entrepreneurial State, a Socialist Market Economy and the Evolution of the Chinese Social Model'		
10:00	10:30	Discussion		
10:30	11:00	Morning Tea and Coffee – Foyer, Level 7, Swanston Academic Building		
11:00	12:30	PARALLEL WORKSHOPS (D)		
		Room 2, Level 7	Room 6, Level 7	Room 9, Level 7
		Regions, Resources and Trade	Panel: Unions as Regional Actors	Regional Planning and Community Development
		Chair: Henry Wai-Chung Yeung	Chair: Cathy Brigden	Chair: Kim Dumphy
		<i>'Globalisation and Diversification of Resource Economies in Brisbane and Perth'</i> Glen Searle, Kirsten Martinus and Thomas Sigler, University of Queensland, Australia	<i>'Unions as Regional Policy Actors'</i> Peter Fairbrother, RMIT University, Australia	<i>'Examining the Evolution of Regional Communities in Australia - a Spatial/Industry Perspective'</i> Blake Ford, Regional Australia Institute, Australia
		<i>'The Governance of 'New Generation' Trade Agreements: Implications for Australia'</i> Annmarie Elijah, Australian National University, Australia	<i>'Unions as Policy Advocates: Aspects of the Canadian Film Industry'</i> Amanda Coles, University of Melbourne, Australia	
		<i>'Rethinking Regionalism: Developing the 'Distributed' Economy'</i> David Adamson, Compass Housing Services, Australia Mark Lang, Cardiff University, United Kingdom	<i>'Trade unions as policy actors in social care sector'</i> Fiona Macdonald, RMIT University, Australia	<i>'Rural Utopias Vs Rural Dystopias: Alternate Pathways to New Regional Economies'</i> Matthew Rofe, The University of South Australia, Australia and Molly J. Gifford, AECOM, Australia,
		<i>'Regional Transformations that Actually Stick: Designing Governance to Avoid Negative Feedback'</i> Tiffany Morrison, James Cook University, Australia	<i>'Australian Unions and the Making of Public Policy Since 1983'</i> Bradon Ellem, Rae Cooper and Chris Wright, The University of Sydney, Australia	<i>'What Residents Want from Their Neighbourhoods: Inferring Willingness to Pay for Urban Services using Discrete Choice Experiment'</i> Ali Ardeshiri & Mehvar Ardeshiri, Institute for Choice, Australia
12:00	12:30	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion
12:30	13:30	Lunch Break – Foyer, Level 7, Swanston Academic Building		

13:30	15:00	PARALLEL WORKSHOPS (E)		
		Room 2, Level 7	Room 6, Level 7	Room 9, Level 7
		Theme: <i>Regions and Local Government</i> Chair: Glen Searle	Theme: <i>Regions and Industrial Relations</i> Chair: Blake Ford	Theme: <i>Regions and Community</i> Chair: Ali Ardeshiri
		<i>'Place Leadership and Mayors in Australia'</i> Andrew Beer & John Martin, The University of Adelaide, Australia	<i>'How Does Place Influence Industrial Relations? Collective Bargaining, Capital Mobility and Union Solidarity in North-West Tasmanian Vegetables Processing Industry'</i> Patrice Jalette, Université de Montréal, Canada and Dora Carias Vega and Ruth Barton RMIT University, Australia	<i>'Neighbourhood Renewal and Housing Externalities'</i> Melek Cigdem and Gavin Wood, RMIT University, Australia
		<i>'Wellbeing Economics and Local Government'</i> Paul Dalziel & Caroline Saunders, Lincoln University, New Zealand	<i>'We've Been Here for 100 Years: The Australian Workers Union's Use of place and Community in a Campaign over mining in the Tarkine area, Tasmania'</i> Ruth Barton, RMIT University, Australia	<i>'Culture and Urban Life: Planning and Development'</i> Kim Dunphy Cultural Development Network, Australia and Yuji Weisgard, Roskilde University, Denmark
		<i>'Complementary Currencies: What role for Local and Regional Government'</i> John Martin, La Trobe University, Australia and Alessandro Spano, University of Cagliari, Italy	<i>'Its Big Enough in Terms of a Geographic Scale to Try Things at a Regional Level, but its Small Enough to Fly Under the Radar if it [Goes Wrong].'' - Who is Responsible for Economic Regeneration Across North West Tasmania'</i> Richard Phillips, Peter Fairbrother, Ruth Barton & Matthew Walker, RMIT University, Australia	<i>'Sustainable Development: a Framework for Developing Cultural Policy that Leads to Sustainable and Resilient Arts Sector Ecologies?'</i> Dominik Safari, University of Melbourne, Australia
14:30	15:00	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion
15:00	15:30	Tea and Coffee – Foyer, Level 7, Swanston Academic Building		

15:30	17:00	PARALLEL WORKSHOPS (F)		
		Room 2, Level 7	Room 6, Level 7	Room 9, Level 7
		Early Career Workshop Chair: Julie Tian Miao	Regional Development and Global Demand Chair: Matthew Rofe	New Regional Thinking Chair: Fiona McDonald
		<i>'Publishing Ethics, Peer Review and Editorial Expectations'</i> Rosie Duffy, Wiley Blackwell	<i>'The Regional Impacts of Resource Extraction'</i> David Fleming, Black Mountain Laboratories, CSIRO, Australia	<i>'Stewardship of Ecological Sustainability in the Himalayan Region: Challenges and Solutions'</i> Kalpana Bhakuni, University of Delhi, India
		<i>'Recent Trends in Academic Publishing'</i> Sally Hardy, Regional Studies Association	<i>'The morning after: Dealing with the Post-Boom Regional Hangover'</i> , Jack Archer, Regional Australia Institute, Australia	<i>'Considering Gender: New Approaches to Regional Development Policy'</i> Larissa Bamberry, RMIT University, Australia
		<i>World Café on Publishing and Managing the Peer Review Process</i> Andrew Beer, University of Adelaide, Australia and Henry Yeung, National University of Singapore, Singapore	<i>'Balance of Power in Regional Institutional Framework: Reassessment of the U.S.-China-Japan Trilateral Relationship'</i> Yuantuan Fang, Florida International University, USA	
16:30	17:00	Discussion	Discussion	Discussion
Room: Room 1, Level 7 – Lecture Theatre				
17:00	18:00	CLOSING PLENARY – Directions for Regional Studies in Australasia?		
		All Keynote Speakers to contribute to Final Reflections Chair: Simon Crean, former Federal Minister for Regional Development, Australia		
CONFERENCE CLOSE				