



39th Annual Conference of the Australia and New Zealand Regional Science Association International

CALL FOR PAPERS

ANZRSAI invites academics, practitioners and policy advisers interested in any aspect of regional science, regional development or regional policy to participate in our 39th annual conference, which will be hosted at the University of Technology, Sydney (UTS). ANZRSAI welcomes contributions on any topic related to regions. The core theme for this year's conference will focus on:

GLOBAL CITIES AND GLOBAL REGIONS: SUSTAINABLE FUTURES?

(UTS, SYDNEY, 1ST – 4TH DECEMBER 2015)



The conference will be held at the City campus of UTS. Links to the home page for the conference and other relevant material can be obtained from the ANZRSAI website at:

www.anzrsai.org

ANZRSAI is pleased to acknowledge sponsors of our conference.



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INVITATION FROM THE PRESIDENT

I am very excited to invite you all to this year's 39th Annual ANZRS AI Conference in Sydney, convened by our immediate past president, Paul Collits. For this conference, ANZRS AI has teamed up with the Centre for Local Government at the University of Technology, Sydney. The CLG was founded in 1991 and has a strong track record of research, teaching and specialist consulting services related to local government in Australia. It is the largest Centre of its kind in Australia and we are delighted that they are helping us to host this conference.

This partnership provides the inspiration for the core theme of our conference "Global Cities and Global Regions: Sustainable Futures?". This theme also builds on a recent special issue of the journal *Local Economy* (Volume 30, Issue 1, February 2015; see the index of contents at <http://lec.sagepub.com/content/30/1.toc>), which included a number of thoughtful articles on regional and local development in Australia and New Zealand. On both sides of the Tasman, the future of regions and regional policy remains a hotly contested topic.

Among other publication opportunities, conference participants are welcome to submit their paper presented at the conference for a forthcoming special edition of the *Australasian Journal of Regional Studies* on "Local Government and Regional Economic Development" edited by Roberta Ryan, John Martin and Bligh Grant.

This will therefore be an exciting conference. I hope that both the conference programme and its location will be an irresistible temptation to join us in December 2015.

Paul Dalziel
ANZRS AI President, 2015

TIMETABLE

8 October 2015	Final date for submission of abstracts and proposals for sessions on particular topics.
24 October 2015	Final date for early bird registration. Draft conference programme on website.
31 October 2015	Final date for submission of full paper by authors wanting their contribution to be peer reviewed for the conference proceedings or considered for the best paper Awards.
14 November 2015	Final date for conference registration for paper presenters, for their paper to be confirmed in the programme.
24 November 2015	Final programme published on the conference website.
1 December 2015	Conference opens with a joint seminar with the Australian Centre for Excellence for Local Government at 5:30pm.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The ANZRS AI Council invites contributions from academics, practitioners and policy advisors on any aspect of regional science for presentation at the conference. The programme will include *PowerPoint presentations, academic papers* (which may be peer reviewed) and *special sessions* on topics in regional science theory, regional development practice or regional planning policy. The conference includes an Awards Dinner on Thursday 3 December, at which the following awards will be made.

- The John Dickinson Memorial Award for Best Paper in *AJRS*
- The ANZRS AI Award for Best Conference Paper
- The ANZRS AI Award for Best Conference Paper by a Student

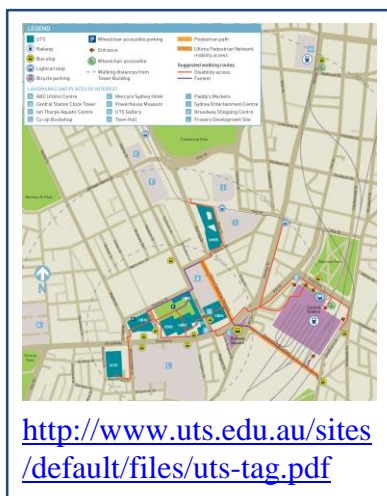
The programme committee welcomes contributions that are a PowerPoint presentation, an academic paper, or a themed session made up of three presentations. Papers that are submitted in full by the 31st of October will be double-blind peer reviewed for publication in formal conference proceedings on the ANZRS AI website. Papers submitted to the conference may also be submitted to the Association's journal, the *Australasian Journal of Regional Science*, ranked as a tier B journal by the Australian Business Deans Council.

The first step is to submit an *Abstract* giving a brief introduction to the content of the contribution or proposed special session. The abstract should be no more than 150 words, explaining the topic of the contribution and its main points or conclusions. The abstract should make clear that the topic is suitable for a conference of people engaged in regional science theory, practice or policy. Decisions will be confirmed within **two weeks** of receipt.

To submit an abstract, please go to the following website:

<https://www.anzrsai.org/conference/conference-2015/>

The programme committee welcomes submissions on any aspect of regional studies, but is particularly interested in research or case studies connected to the conference's core theme of ***Regions in Recovery***. Please note: Abstracts must be submitted by 8 October and early bird registration will end on 24 October.



CONFERENCE ACCOMMODATION

The University of Technology, Sydney, is located in the heart of the central business district of Sydney. There is a wide range of accommodation available within close walking distance of the venue.

Further details will be provided in the second Call for Papers, but in the meantime, people can consult the interactive map at <http://maps.uts.edu.au/map.cfm>. There is also a downloadable PDF map at the address shown in the box to the left.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The 39th Annual Conference will open with a joint seminar with the Australian Centre for Excellence for Local Government at 5:30pm on Tuesday 1 December, concluding with a cocktail reception. This will be followed by two and a half days of stimulating plenary addresses, parallel sessions of submitted papers, and a facilitated workshop on the last morning. This is an opportunity for ANZRS AI members and others interested in regional issues to share experiences and network with each other, to keep up-to-date with latest developments in regional research and to address important issues in regional planning.

At the time of issuing this first request for papers, the programme of plenary speakers is still being finalised. Once this is finalised, details will be published on the conference website at www.anzrsai.org.

Registration for the conference includes morning tea, lunches and afternoon tea as well as admission to all plenary and parallel sessions. It also includes complimentary membership of ANZRS AI for 2016.

There are two social events: an opening cocktail reception on the evening of Tuesday 1 December and the ANZRS AI Awards Dinner on Thursday 3 December. The Awards Dinner will be a Dining Cruise on Sydney Harbour, leaving Darling Harbour at 7:00pm. A full cash bar is on board, but the price below does not include drinks.

	Fees
Standard Registration for full conference	\$700.00
Early Bird Standard registration (paid before 24 October)	\$600.00
Student or Emeritus Registration for full conference	\$325.00
Registration for one day of the conference	\$325.00
Conference Cocktail Reception (Tuesday 1 December, 6.30pm)	\$30.00
ANZRS AI Awards Dining Cruise (Thursday 3 December, 7.00pm)	\$120.00

To register for the conference, please go to:

<https://www.anzrsai.org/conference/conference-2015/>

Queries about the conference can be sent the ANZRS AI President at the e-mail below:

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