



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

SECOND 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 closing date for abstracts is **15 October**). 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 the 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 ANZRSAL Conference in Sydney, convened by our immediate past president, Paul Collits. For this conference, ANZRSAL 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 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
ANZRSAL President, 2015

TIMETABLE

15 October 2015	Final date for submission of abstracts or 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.

THE KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

DR RICHARD HU (UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA)



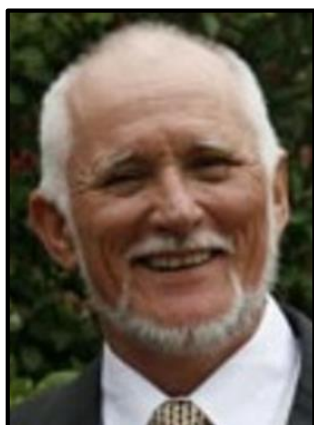
Dr Richard Hu is Associate Professor in the Department of Business, Government and Law at the University of Canberra and convenor of its Globalisation and Cities research program. His research expertise is in urban and regional planning, urban design, urban development, urban competitiveness, economic development and global cities. Richard has cross-national academic and professional experiences in Australia, China, and America. Richard will speak at the welcome cocktail event co-hosted with the Australian Centre for Excellence for Local Government on the topic of “Sustainable Global Sydney”.

PROFESSOR LEE PUGALIS (UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY SYDNEY)

Professor Lee Pugalís is an international urban scholar, whose research traverses local and regional economic development, urban regeneration, and strategic planning. He has a particular interest in metropolitan governance and urban entrepreneurship. Before taking up an academic position Lee worked for local, regional and national government in the UK including the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. He is an editor of *Regional Studies*, *Regional Science* and of *Local Economy*, and is also a member of 15 international editorial boards.



PROFESSOR BOB STIMSON (RSAI FELLOW)



Professor Bob Stimson retired on 1 July this year after 50 years of distinguished research, although he continues to be an Honorary Professor of Geography at the University of Melbourne and an Emeritus Professor in Geography at the University of Queensland. He is a past President of the Regional Science Association International, an elected Fellow of RSAI and the sixth recipient of the prestigious Hirotao Kohno Award presented by RSAI for outstanding service to the regional science community. His topic is "Challenges and Opportunities for Regional Science Research to be More Policy Relevant".

PROFESSOR STEPHEN HILL (SOHAR UNIVERSITY)

Professor Steve Hill is Deputy Vice Chancellor at Sohar University in the Sultanate of Oman. Previous jobs include Dean of Business at Sohar University, Head of Research for Glamorgan Business School UK, a period seconded to the Welsh Development Agency as Chief Economic Advisor and many years at Cardiff University as Director of the Welsh Economy Research Unit. His primary research interest is in understanding why some places prosper more than others, a question he is still struggling to answer. Steve’s topic will be “The State of Regional Science”.



DR ROB GREENWOOD (MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND)



Dr Rob Greenwood is Executive Director, Public Engagement for Memorial University and of The Leslie Harris Centre of Regional Policy and Development. He has operated his own consulting business and has served as a Director and Assistant Deputy Minister of Policy in Economic Development departments in Newfoundland and Labrador and in Saskatchewan. He was Vice President, Corporate Development, Information Services Corporation of Saskatchewan, and was founding Director of the Sustainable Communities Initiative, a partnership of the University of Regina, the City of Regina, and the National Research Council of Canada. Rob will speak on regional development in a joint session with Professor Michael Hefferan.

PROFESSOR MICHAEL HEFFERAN (UNIVERSITY OF THE SUNSHINE COAST)

Professor Mike Hefferan is the Pro Vice-Chancellor (Engagement) and the Professor of Property and Development at USC. He is also an Adjunct Professor at the Queensland University of Technology, where he was previously Director of the Institute for Sustainable Resources, a cross-faculty organisation of almost 200 researchers with particular interests in resources management, sustainable built environments and social dimensions of change. In 2013, Professor Hefferan, in conjunction with the Australian Property Institute, published a text *Real Property in Australia – Foundation and Application* now widely adopted across Australian universities. Mike will lead a roundtable and plenary discussion on “Bridging the policy to application gap in Australian regional development”, following Dr Rob Greenwood’s address.



ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The ANZRSAI 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 and Harbour Cruise on Thursday 3 December, at which the following awards will be made.

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

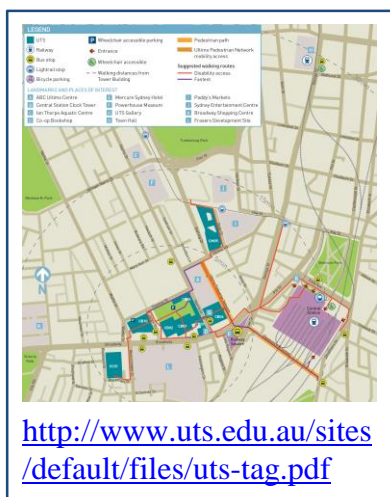
The programme committee welcomes contributions that are a PowerPoint presentation, an academic paper, or a themed session made up of three presentations. Papers that are submitted in full by the 31st of October will be double-blind peer reviewed for publication in formal conference proceedings on the ANZRSAI 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 on-line by **15 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.

Six examples are provided on the following page, but people can also consult the interactive map available 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.

SIX EXAMPLES OF HOTELS CLOSE TO THE CONFERENCE VENUE

There is no “official” hotel for the conference, but the following hotels are within close walking distance of the University of Technology, Sydney.

Hotel Name	Distance from UTS	Website	Phone
The Mercure Sydney	5 minutes	www.mercuresydney.com.au/	02 9217 6666
Capitol Square Hotel	12 minutes	www.rydges.com/capitolsquare	02 9211 8633
Novotel Sydney Central	5 minutes	www.novotelsydneycentral.com.au/	02 9281 6888
Rendezvous Hotel Sydney Central	5 minutes	https://www.tfehotels.com/brands/rendezvous-hotels/rendezvous-hotel-sydney-central	02 9212 2544
Metro Hotel Sydney Central	10 minutes	www.metrohotels.com.au/hotels/new-south-wales/metro-hotel-sydney-central/welcome/	02 9281 6999
The Vulcan Hotel	5 minutes	http://vulcanhotel.com.au/	02 9211 3283

OPENING SEMINAR AND COCKTAIL RECEPTION

The conference will open with a seminar and cocktail reception co-hosted by ANZRSAI and the Australian Centre for Excellence for Local Government. This will take place in the **Aerial Function Centre**, Level 7 of UTS Building 10 (235 Jones Street, off Parramatta Road between Wattle Street and Harris Street), beginning at 5:30pm.

The seminar will involve a presentation by Dr Richard Hu on the topic of “Sustainable Global Sydney”. This will be followed by drinks and nibbles until 7:30pm.

There is a small charge for attendance at the cocktail reception (\$30), which can be paid at the time of conference registration.

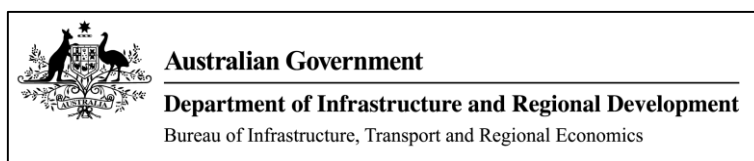
CONFERENCE DINNER AND HARBOUR CRUISE



The conference dinner will take place on the evening of Thursday 3 December. The dinner will take place on a harbour cruise operated by Captain Cook Cruises, leaving Darling Harbour at 7:00pm. The cruise will be 2.5 hours in duration, and will include a three course seated and served meal. There is a charge for attendance at the Awards Dinner (\$120), which can be paid at the time of conference registration

There will be an ANZRSAI President's Shout for the first drink, but other alcoholic drinks will need to be purchased from the on-board bar. This will include an option of purchasing wine on arrival at \$40 per bottle.

The conference dinner will include presentations of the three major ANZRSAI Awards. These Awards have been sponsored in 2015 by the Bureau of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Economics.



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 and parallel sessions of submitted papers. This is an opportunity for ANZRSAl 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.

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 ANZRSAl for 2016.

There are two social events: an opening cocktail reception on the evening of Tuesday 1 December and the ANZRSAl 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
ANZRSAl 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 ANZRSAl President at the e-mail below:

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