



Join us at our 43rd Annual Conference

CAIRNS, 4-6 DECEMBER 2019

***WORKING TOGETHER TO GROW:
INNOVATIONS AND DISRUPTIONS IN
REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT***

FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS

For more than forty years, the Australia and New Zealand Regional Science Association has brought together researchers across academic and policy fields to explore the cutting edge of regional development and regional analysis in Australia, New Zealand and around the world. If your work involves regions, please join us for our 43rd Annual Conference in Cairns, Queensland. ANZRSAI welcomes proposals for contributed papers, for themed panels, or for special sessions, on any topic related to regions.

This year's conference is hosted by the School of Business and Law, CQUniversity Australia. The venue is the CQUniversity Cairns Campus. To register, and for more information on the conference, visit the ANZRSAI website at:

www.anzrsai.org



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INVITATION FROM THE PRESIDENT



This year is the 43rd Annual ANZRS AI Conference and I am delighted that we are being hosted on the Cairns campus of CQUniversity.

I am very grateful to Dr Delwar Akbar and Prof Lee Di Milia in the School of Business and Law at CQUniversity for their outstanding work to host the conference at Cairns, and to organise an exciting programme of keynote speakers. This will be a conference with something for everyone with an interest in regional policy and practice.

The core theme of our conference is “Working Together to Grow: Innovations and Disruptions in Regional Development”. This theme includes several sub-themes: regional opportunities and international trade; intra and inter-regional supply and value chains; and functional region.

Among other publication opportunities, participants are welcome to submit their paper presented at the conference to the *Australasian Journal of Regional Studies*.

I hope that both the conference program and its location will be an irresistible temptation to join us in December 2019.

Rolf Gerritsen
ANZRS AI President, 2019

TIMETABLE

27 September 2019	Final date for submission of abstracts and proposals for themed panels or special sessions on particular topics.
31 October 2019	Final date for early bird registration. Draft conference program on conference website.
1 November 2019	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.
8 November 2019	Final date for conference registration for paper presenters, for their paper to be confirmed in the programme.
22 November 2019	Final program will be published on the conference website.
4 December 2019	Conference opens at 9am on Wednesday.

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 program will include *PowerPoint presentations, academic papers* (which may be peer reviewed), *themed panels* and *special sessions* on topics in regional science theory, regional development practice or regional planning policy. The conference includes an Awards Dinner on Thursday 5th 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 program committee welcomes contributions in the form of a PowerPoint presentation, an academic paper, or a themed panel or special session made up of three presentations. Papers that are submitted in full by the 1st of November 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-2019/>

The program 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 *Working Together to Grow: Innovations and Disruptions in Regional Development*. Please note: Abstracts must be submitted by 27 September and early bird registration will end on 31 October.

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

The Cairns campus of CQUniversity is located in the heart of the Cairns central business district, close to the beach. Cairns is well connected by air and land. There is a wide range of accommodation close to the campus, including reasonably priced hotels. These details will be provided in the second call for papers and made available on the conference website at www.anzrsai.org.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

The 43rd Annual Conference of ANZRSAI will open at 9am on Wednesday 4th December. There will be three days of stimulating plenary addresses, panels of expert speakers and parallel sessions of submitted papers.

This is an opportunity for ANZRSAI 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.

Once the program of plenary speakers 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 ANZRSAI for 2020.

There are two social events: a reception hosted by the President of ANZRSAI at the conclusion of the first day on the evening of Wednesday 4th December; and the ANZRSAI Awards Dinner on Thursday 5th December.

	Fees
Early Bird Standard Registration (paid before 31 October)	\$600.00
Standard Registration for full conference (paid after 31 October)	\$700.00
Student or Emeritus Registration for full conference	\$325.00
Registration for one day of the conference	\$325.00
President's Reception (Wednesday 4 December, 6pm)	\$30.00
ANZRSAI Awards Dinner (Thursday 5 December, 7pm)	\$120.00

To register for the conference, please go to:

<https://www.anzrsai.org/conference/conference-2019/>

Queries about the conference can be sent to the ANZRSAI Executive Officer:

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