## Intensive program for PhD and postdoctoral students | HYBRID EVENT

# **INTRODUCTIVE METHODS AND APPROACHES IN REGIONAL SCIENCE**

6-8 October | ALEXANDRU IOAN CUZA IOAN UNIVERSITY OF IASI - ROMANIA





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The event proposes to the participants the following workshops:

Programme (detailed) (all times are displayed in EEST):

### 6 October

### 09:45 – 10:00 RSAI Workshop Opening

**Bogdan Ibanescu** and **Gabriela Carmen Pascariu** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi)

# Macroeconometric regional growth forecasting Andrea Caragliu (Politecnico di Milano, Italy) 10:00 - 11:45

The need for anticipatory and far-seeing strategies on economic dynamics has always induced economists to look for reliable methodologies with which to produce insights on what the future will look like. From a Regional Economics perspective, two main approaches exist to simulate future regional GDP growth rates. On the one hand, some forecasting regional growth models are based on a distributional logic whereby national growth rates simulated or forecasted in macro models is reassigned to regions constituting the countries modeled using regional GDP and employment shares as weights. In more sophisticated versions, this redistribution can take place by means of input-output linkages. On the other hand, other forecasting regional growth models focus on the purely regional component, relatively ignoring the important consequences that macro shocks could exert on regional growth rates. The lecture finally introduces the Macroeconometric, Social, Sectoral, Territorial (MASST) model, presently in its fourth generation, as means to overcome this dichotomy, and interpret regional growth as both a topdown and bottom-up process. Future research directions are also provided.

#### 12:00 - 13:30**RSAI** financing opportunities for young researchers

# Andrea Caragliu (Politecnico di Milano, Italy)

The Regional Science Association International (RSAI) is an international community of scholars with expertise in many different disciplines, like economy, geography, planning, urban studies, etc... The multidisciplinary approach helps the scientific community of RSAI to facilitate new theoretical insights for tackling regional problems. The main objectives of the Association are the fostering of exchange of ideas and the promotion of studies focusing on the region, including the utilization of tools, methods and theoretical frameworks, specifically designed for regional analysis as well as concepts, procedures and analytical techniques of the various social sciences.

Since its foundation, RSAI put a lot of effort in promoting and supporting young researchers through various awards and programs. The workshop, held by Prof. Andrea Caragliu, Executive Director of RSAI, aims at presenting and popularizing those opportunities among the participants.

## **15:00 – 18:00** A young researcher's guide to Web of Science and Publons Adriana Filip (Clarivate Analytics) Details regarding this workshop will be provided soon

### 7 October

# 15:00 – 18:00 Academic writing for early stage researchers and master students in regional science

**Peter Nijkamp** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania / Open University, Heerlen, The Netherlands) and **Karima Kourtit** (Open University, Heerlen, The Netherlands)

This workshop is aimed at enabling the necessary skills for students to write scientific papers and PhD thesis, and it is based on the vast background of Peter Nijkamp and Karima Kourtit in publishing articles in top journals and editing high-impact publications on regional science related topics. Thus, the main objective of this workshop is to transfer towards participants knowhow about publishing in top journals (e.g. How to find the right journals? How to prepare your paper? How to respond to reviewers?). The first part of the workshop will focus on the writing process, time management skills and the application of guidelines, while in the second part the participants will practice feedback and revision techniques for developing a polished final version from a first rough draft. During the workshop the participants will acquire essential knowledge about literature management, scientific writing, and aspects related to publication (submission, reporting). The participants will also have the opportunity to present research designs, request feedback from the invited experts, and improve their work.

# 10:00 – 11:00 Resilient territories: multidimensional approaches and policies (Conference opening)

The Centre for European Studies within Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi (Romania), in cooperation with Bucharest University of Economic Studies and Babes Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca organises the conference Resilient territories: multidimensional approaches and policies (hybrid event which will be held in Iasi, Romania, 7-11 October 2021). This event is organized in partnership with The Regional Science Academy (TRSA).

### 11:00 – 13:00 Plenary session

Patricio Aroca, Ron Boschma, Lise Bourdeau-Lepage, Louafi Bouzouina, Roberta Capello, Joanna Kurowska-Pysz

### 14:00 - 16:30Sustainable urbanisation

### Tomaz Ponce Dentinho (University of the Azores, Portugal)

The aim of this presentation is to perceive how to promote the sustainability of urban development around the world. First referring to the globalization process and the way it influences urban dynamics in the specific contexts where cities emerge. Second, to identify the conceptual errors of urban management that nurture urban unsustainability. Finally, to create frames of reference suitable to perceive and interpret data and signals from the reality improving decision-making in the design, evaluation, financing and implementation of viable investments for sustainable urbanization processes in different regions, countries, cities and places.

# 17:00 – 19:30Oral presentations – Special session for young researchers<br/>(moderated by Bogdan Ibanescu)

The participants will present their research during the last day of the event, as part of a special session dedicated to young researchers in the *<u>ReGrowEU conference 2021</u>*.

## 9 – 10 October

### **Technical excursion (optional)**

A two days technical excursion will be organised as part of the ReGrowEU conference 2021 in North-Eastern Romania, in the historical region Bukovina. The technical excursion is not part of the RSAI Workshop, nevertheless the workshop participants can attend this activity. Details regarding the itinerary will be provided in the following weeks.