

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to invite you and your colleagues to the 7th Central European Conference in Regional Science. The CERS Conference is organised every two years in one of the Central European countries for both academics and practitioners, focusing on urban and regional science in the context of the Central European Space.

FLOWS OF RESOURCES IN THE REGIONAL ECONOMY IN THE AGE OF DIGITALISATION

9–11 OCTOBER 2019

**UNIVERSITY OF SOPRON, ALEXANDRE LAMFALUSSY FACULTY OF ECONOMICS
(SOPRON, HUNGARY)**

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Alessandra Faggian (Gran Sasso Science Institute, Italy)

Katarzyna Kopczewska (University of Warsaw, Poland)

Andrés Rodríguez-Pose (London School of Economics, UK)

André Torre (INRA, France; European Regional Science Association)

MAIN TOPICS

Regular Sessions will be organized (but not exclusively) covering the further topics:

- Flow of resources and their impact on economic development
- Innovation, entrepreneurship and knowledge networks
- The economic impact of Foreign Direct Investments
- Challenges of urbanization in the core and the peripheries
- Rural regions in the 21st century – winners or losers?
- Spatial development and cohesion policy in CEE regions
- Financial markets and (dependent) financialization
- Challenges of smart specialization in CEE regions
- Digitalization, Industry 4.0 and the transformation of global value change
- Circular economy and environmental challenges

SPECIAL SESSIONS

Besides the Regular Sessions, different Special Sessions will be organized at the Conference. In order to apply to these sessions, please contact with the convenors of the sessions:

- Tourism and Regional/Local Development
(*Márta Bakucz*; bakucz@ktk.pte.hu)
- Regional science meets regional industry
(*Tamás Gyulai*; gyulai.tamas@iqkecskemet.hu)
- Urbanization processes and its impact on environment and landscape
(*Tamás Hardi*; hardit@rkk.hu)
- Contemporary Issues in Regional (Corporate) Embeddedness
(*Viktória Józsa*; viktoria.jozsa@nordconsult.hu)
- Networks, Development and Disparities in Regions
(*Balázs Lengyel*; lengyel.balazs@krtk.mta.hu and *Attila Varga*; vargaa@ktk.pte.hu)
- Geoeconomic/geopolitical challenges in the EU and CEE
(*Márton Péti*; marton.peti@uni-corvinus.hu)

YOUNG SCIENTISTS' SESSION

For PhD students and early career researchers, the 7th CERS Conference offers a special occasion to meet leading European researchers of regional science. We are organizing special session for Young Scientists, in order to give for our young colleagues the opportunity to both present as well as discuss your scientific achievements and obtain high quality feedback from senior colleagues who deal with the same or similar issues.

We welcome papers from young colleagues (*younger than 34 years on 31/12/2018*) from the field of regional science. The main emphasis is on high quality papers and presentations (in English only), which will be judged by an international conference committee. The best three papers will be awarded. For further information please see [the website of 7th CERS Congress](#).

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Presentations of 20 minutes are welcomed. Abstracts (max. 500 words) should be submitted by e-mail to cers2019@uni-sopron.hu.

Early Bird Deadline 20/03/2019 (notification 01/04/2019)

Regular Deadline 30/06/2019 (notification 20/07/2019)

Late Deadline 01/09/2019 (notification 10/09/2019)

REGISTRATION FEES

Participation fee includes up to 2 presentations.

Registration	Early Bird	Regular	Late
<i>Abstract submission deadline</i>	<i>March 20, 2019</i>	<i>June 30, 2019</i>	<i>September 10, 2019</i>
RSAI/ERSA member* Senior / Junior**	150 EUR / 120 EUR	175 EUR / 135 EUR	200 EUR / 150 EUR
Non-member Senior / Junior**	175 EUR / 135 EUR	200 EUR / 150 EUR	225 EUR / 165 EUR
Accompanying persons; Attendee without presentation	135 EUR	135 EUR	135 EUR

*Members of RSAI, or members of Hungarian, German speaking, Polish & Slovak Sections of ERSA.

**Early career researchers who have not reached the age of 34 years on December 31, 2018.

PUBLICATIONS

The Proceedings of 7th CERS Conference will be submitted to the Conference Proceedings Citation Index (Clarivate Web of Science). Full paper submission latest by 01/09/2019.

CONFERENCE CONTACT

Balázs István Tóth, Head of the LOC; email: cers2019@uni-sopron.hu

Detailed information about the conference can be found on <https://www.cers2019sopron.com/>.

ORGANIZERS

University of Sopron; Hungarian Regional Science Association; Slovak and German speaking Sections of ERSA; University of Economics in Bratislava; Technical University of Košice.

We are looking forward to meeting you at 7th CERS Conference in Sopron.

Kind regards,
Zoltán Gál