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Call for Papers – 30th Annual Rural/Regional Development Sessions

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As a tribute to all of you who have contributed to the last three decades of these consistently successful rural/regional development sessions, we are delighted to hereby mark thirty years of soliciting submissions of papers at the leading gathering of distinguished regional science scholars. The rural/regional development sessions have traditionally had strong attendance, and have also been the basis for two special journal issues over the last few years. Past papers and session topics have included the following themes among others:

- Rural/regional labor and financial markets
- Demographic evolutions in rural regions and implications for development
- Rural/regional entrepreneurship, including links to metro markets
- Methodological and theoretical innovations
- Emerging issues in rural/regional development, such as health care, economic development, and immigration
- Contributions, positive or negative, of institutional structures to rural/regional development
- Rural/regional competitiveness, including measures of such competitiveness
- Cross-national/international experiences in rural/regional development and policy
- Comparative development analyses in/among/across OECD nations, especially given the possibility of Brexit
- Influence of international organizations and structures, such as OECD, EU, & NAFTA, on rural and/or regional development issues

In addition to this Call for Papers, we are also interested in hearing from colleagues who will not have a paper to present but would like to participate as a session chair and/or discussant. If you would like to participate in the 2018 sessions, please contact either

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Paper submitters should email us a title, abstract (at least 350 words or 2000 characters), and affiliations and email addresses for all authors who wish to be listed in the program. The last day we can accept submissions for these special sessions is **Monday June 25th** so that we may finalize and submit them by the organizers' own deadline. If you are sending us a paper title/abstract for inclusion in these sessions, please do not submit this same paper online. We will handle this submission process for all session papers with the organizers, provided we receive firm commitments on participation from the paper presenters by the online submission deadline. We also welcome the submission of partial or complete thematic sessions. In these cases, forward us the session title, presenters' names/emails/affiliations, and paper titles and abstracts. Again, e-mail replies are preferred. We look forward to hearing from you!

With best wishes for a productive and relaxing summer...

Sarah and Stephan