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**Call for Papers – 32nd Annual Regional/Rural Development Sessions
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We are delighted to again solicit papers to our regular Regional/Rural Development sessions. Past papers and session topics have included the following themes among others:

- Regional/rural labor and financial markets
- Regional/rural entrepreneurship, including links to urban and metropolitan markets
- Demographic evolutions in rural regions and implications for development
- Evolving issues in regional/rural development, such as health care and immigration
- Contributions, positive or negative, of institutional structures to regional/rural development
- Regional/rural competitiveness, including measures of such competitiveness
- Cross-national/international experiences in regional/rural development and policy
- Comparative development analyses among OECD nations, including the impact of Brexit

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 2020 sessions, please contact us:

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The submission process will change this year. Presenters will enter their own paper's information via the regular NARSC submission portal (<http://www.narsc.org/newsite/conference/online-abstractsession-submission/>). **When your paper has been assigned its unique ID/P-code, please send the ID/P-code, title, presenter and email to Sarah at the email address above.** We will use this information to develop our sessions. The last day we can accept submissions for these special sessions is **Monday, June 29th** so that we may finalize and submit them by the organizers' own deadline.

We are particularly excited about these sessions being conduits for a special issue of *Sustainability* (Impact Factor = 2.6), which we are co-editing; specific information is outlined in the accompanying PDF. We are particularly looking for papers that address how bridging the rural-urban divide might help shape the post-COVID economic landscape. We look forward to hearing from you!

With best wishes during these unprecedented times,

Sarah and Stephan