



Call for Submissions

French-speaking Special Session in Regional Science

North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International (NARSC)

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | November 11-14, 2026

Organized by the

Association de Science Régionale de Langue Française (ASRDLF)

French Speaking Section of the European Regional Science Association

Session rationale

The ASRDLF is organizing a French-speaking special session at the 2026 North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International (NARSC). The session will provide a dedicated space for regional scientists who work in French and will strengthen links between NARSC and francophone regional science communities in Canada, France, Belgium, Switzerland, Luxembourg, and beyond.

Topics of interest

We welcome individual papers dealing with regional science broadly understood. Potential topics include:

- regional development and territorial change;
- regional, urban, and territorial inequalities;
- spatial analysis, location, and territorial data;
- urban, rural, and metropolitan dynamics;
- environmental transitions, circular economy, and territorial sustainability;
- innovation, labour markets, migration, demography, governance, and place-based policy.

Language of the session

The session will be designed primarily as a French-speaking session. Presentations may be delivered in French or English. English abstracts and/or English slides are encouraged where useful to support wider exchange with the NARSC community.

Conference dates	November 11-14, 2026
Submission deadline	July 17, 2026

Submission procedure

Please submit your abstract through the [NARSC online submission portal](#). After submission, please email the following information to the session convenors: Submission ID; title; author(s) and affiliation(s); corresponding author contact details; short abstract.

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Please feel free to circulate this call to colleagues who may be interested. **We look forward to seeing many francophone regional scientists in Philadelphia.**