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Special Issue: The regional and urban development in Latin America

The Revue d'Economie Regionale et Urbaine is editing a special issue on the advances of the regional and urban economics in Latin America.

Latin American countries are currently experiencing an important economic development process. Sustained rates of growth take place hand in hand with still high degrees of inequality that impact on the organization of the internal spatial structure of cities. Latin American countries records urbanization rates similar to the US rate while often keeping level of income comparable to selected African or Asian countries. The high urbanization rate often triggers the emergence of mega-cities or megalopolis because of the lack of a strong urban planning for a sustainable development yielding sprawling. Furthermore, the informal sector is a key-factor influencing the regional and urban development being extremely spread across all the principal economic sectors and nurturing important ties with the formal sector.

Therefore, the purpose of this special issue is to advance the regional and urban literature on Latin America through a collection of papers on under-researched topics that falls under the topics previously explained. Themes of interest–from a theoretical, empirical and cross country or town perspective-include but are not limited to:

- Informal sector, human capital and inequality,
- Infrastructures and territorial development,
- Urban spatial structure changes; policentricity and radial growth.
- Public policies to promote urban and regional development,
- Entrepreneurship and regional development,
- Urban sprawl and urban spatial structure changes: land consumption, population and employment dynamics,
- Inequality and segregation in cities,

A three-page abstract jointly with a short academic CV of the authors must be sent to the <u>editors</u>. Proposal can be presented in either English or French. A committee will run the selection of the paper to be included in the issue. In addition, there will be a special session at NARSC for a number of provisionally accepted papers that will be held in Portland (Oregon, US) on November 11-14, 2015.

The following is a (tentative) schedule for the proposed special issue:

- Submission deadline: May 31st, 2015
- Submission of the final paper draft: January 2016

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