



## ASSOCIAZIONE ITALIANA DI SCIENZE REGIONALI

Sezione Italiana della Regional Science Association International

### AIRe - ITALIAN ASSOCIATION OF REGIONAL SCIENCE

A.I.S.Re – Italian Association of Regional Science is a scientific association that pursues the aim of developing, mainly in Italy, activities of research, learning and publishing in the field of the Regional Science.

In order to do that, AISRe supports the circulation of ideas and research on regional issues utilising the tools, methods and schemes specifically thought for the regional analysis, as well as the adaptation of concepts, procedures and techniques developed by other sciences; it promotes and supports the diffusion and teaching of the regional sciences; it works for the recognition of the role and professional status of regional scientists; it develops the exchange of information, the national and international networking among scholars and institutions actively involved in regional studies, the cooperation with similar associations; it promotes scientific and technic publishing on the subject of regional science; it organises a conference, usually yearly, in addition to national and international workshops on the subject of the regional science.

AISRe is the Italian section of the European Regional Science Association (ERSA), which constitutes, together with the North American Association and the Pacific Regional Association, the Regional Science Association International (RSAI).

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### AIRe ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Yearly, AISRe organises the Scientific Conference of Regional Science which is the main event of the Association. Aim of the conference is to favour the theoretical debate on the issues of the regional science and the presentation of the results of the regional scientists' research in the different fields and approaches involved: economics, geography, sociology, urban and regional planning, demography, statistics, maths etc. As it is stated in the annual Call for papers, participants have the opportunity to attend the Conference's sessions as speakers or auditors. Moreover, participants have the opportunity to be proponents and coordinators of sessions proposed on specific subjects.

### AIRe AWARDS 2017

- *Best PhD Thesis Award - "Giorgio Leonardi"*. In order to promote the diffusion of the Regional Science among young scholars, AISRe has established in memory of Giorgio Leonardi an annual award for two Master and/or PhD thesis.
- *AISRe Best Young Scholar Paper*. In order to promote the diffusion of the Regional Science in the Italian university system, AISRe has decided to award the most original and innovative paper presented to the annual scientific conference by a young scholar.
- *Best poster*. The award is assigned to the best poster presented to the annual scientific conference.

### PUBLICATIONS

- *"Scienze regionali" book series*. The series is addressed at disseminating the contributes of the Italian scholars who want to support the development of the Regional Science. The series, published by Franco

Angeli started in 1983 and hosts volumes and edited books dealing with regional issues and, in general, contributes analysing a wide range of spatial dynamics (social, economic political, behavioural etc.). Yearly, outstanding papers presented at the annual scientific conference are invited to contribute to a volume of the book series ([www.aisre.it/en/publicazioni-en/book-series](http://www.aisre.it/en/publicazioni-en/book-series)).

- *Scienze Regionali: Italian Journal of Regional Science*. It is the journal of the Association. Yearly it publishes three volumes. It started in 2001 with the aim of being the main channel of the scientific debate promoted by AISRe. Focus of the journal is the analysis of the territory, its spatial, economic, social, cultural, political, physical organisation, as well as the transformations that transform space into territory: the dynamic relationship between the physical and social dimensions. The journal publishes original theoretical, methodological and empirical contributions, both in English and Italian, investigating the application of the regional science to the territory. The journal also promotes the cooperation among scholars from different countries who want to give their contribute to the scientific debate on the regional science. *Scienze Regionali: Italian Journal of Regional Science* is a peer-reviewed journal, indexed by the SCOPUS (Elsevier Bibliographic Databases) from year 2015 and the American Economic Association's JEL - Journal of Economic Literature ([www.mulino.it/riviste/issn/1720-3929](http://www.mulino.it/riviste/issn/1720-3929)).
- *EyesReg*. It is the online journal of AISRe. It started in 2011 and publishes six issues per year. Main aims are: i) to diffuse relevant regional science information among a larger and more diversified public than traditional journals; ii) to stimulate the scientific debate in a more intense and vivid way, with rapid reviewing and publishing and on line debate; iii) to offer a viable tool to rapidly get into contact and confront with policy makers, in order to provide them with hints and ideas to be considered and discussed before taking the decisions. The innovative slant of the journal is primarily addressed to the discussion and publishing of short articles open to on-line comments. *EyesReg* seeks for methodological, theoretical and empirical works on the regional sciences. It is peer-reviewed and has ISSN ([www.eyesreg.it](http://www.eyesreg.it)).
- *E-book*: In 2014 AISRe launched an on-line ISBN book series (epub e pdf) under the Creative Commons license. Main aim of the series is to provide Italian regional scientists with an innovative and direct channel, disseminating the theoretical assumptions and the results of empirical studies that received the patronage of AISRe. AISRe is also the supervisor of the scientific quality of the volumes of series.

#### NEWSLETTER

Periodically, AISRe sends to its Members a newsletter containing some main institutional news and a selection of events, directly reported by the users of the website.

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