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 **NEWS AND INFORMATION**

PRESIDENT - EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

On the 1st of January 2003 a new President and a new Executive Director assumed leadership of a venerable association in transition. In this year of the 50th North American meetings of the Regional Science Association/Regional Science Association International, RSAI must confront issues of efficiency and economy in the delivery of membership services, the need for review of arrangements for the publication and distribution of Papers in Regional Science, the need to reconsider the structure of the Association's governance and the roles of its officers, and the extent to which the Association is accessible to all who would wish to be members. We take this opportunity to assure you that we are moving forcefully as a team to address these issues and work towards satisfactory solutions.

As reported in the previous issue of the RSAI News, the headquarters offices in Urbana will close in January 2005. Arrangements for delivery of membership services by a commercial firm must be in place prior to this time. Proposals of arrangements that link service delivery with publication and distribution of Papers in Regional Science and RSAI News (in alternative media) and terms have been solicited from several firms and are being considered by the working committee on transitional matters appointed at the November 2002 RSAI Council meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Members of this committee, which comprises ourselves, the current President and Executive Director, the immediate past Executive Director, Kieran Donaghy, Editor-in-Chief of Papers in Regional Science, Raymond Florax, and the heads of the Association's three super-regional conference organizing associations, Adrian Esparza, Andres Rodriguez-Pose, and Yoshiro Higano, have met in Puerto Rico and London and will bring forth a recommendation to the Council for a vote at its next meeting in Acapulco. At this meeting the committee will also present for consideration an organizational transition plan to be discussed in

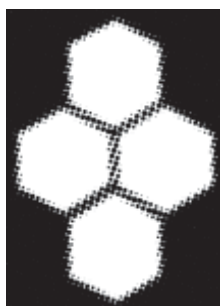
Acapulco and Jyväskylä and voted on in Philadelphia. The proposed transition plan will be posted on the RSAI web site (www.regionalscience.org) for review by all members of the Association. We will meet personally with officers of all RSAI sections to solicit and consider their input on these matters.

The last decade has seen a broadening of the geographical base of RSAI, with new sections forming in Brazil, Mexico, Indonesia, and South Africa, important meetings being held in China, and a revitalization of sections in Central and Eastern Europe. With this broadening have come stresses upon the superregional alignment of the Association and the structure of its governance. There has also developed a growing sense that the role and composition of the RSAI Council and the roles of the Association's officers need to be reconsidered and revised. As members of the RSAI Council find it increasingly difficult to attend all three of the Council's annual meetings, it may make sense to hold fewer Council meetings but create working groups that meet more frequently. And as the RSAI headquarters in Urbana is phased out and membership service delivery is taken over by a private firm, it seems reasonable that the focus of the Executive Director should turn more to the development of the Association and implementation of policy in close collaboration with the President. The working committee on transitional matters will make recommendations on such changes, which would have to be approved by the Council and reflected in amendments to the RSAI constitution.

The issue that stands out above all others is that of how to increase RSAI membership. On the basis of RSAI databases, we estimate that there are over 10,000 regional scientists worldwide.

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For a number of reasons, including cost prohibitiveness, the majority of such people have been reluctant or unable to join the Association, or if they have done so in the past, have lapsed as members. The Association must, as a matter of great urgency, develop ways of ensuring that all members, both full international and section-only, are regarded as members of RSAI and receive at least some services from the Association. Easier payment systems for a more finely broken-out continuum of services are needed, with greater emphasis placed upon value-for-money. The role of sections, many of which have been essential for collection of membership fees and communication with the RSAI headquarters, needs to be reviewed. Such changes are of vital importance as the Association moves to embrace heretofore excluded parts of the developing world.

A relaunching of RSAI will commence with the Association's 50th North American meetings in Philadelphia this November 2003 (see below for details) and continued at the World Congress in Port Elizabeth, South Africa, in April, 2004. All who attend the Philadelphia meeting will receive the expanded golden anniversary issue of Papers in Regional Science, a CD-ROM containing the back volumes of the journal, and a history of regional science and RSAI/RSAI written by Walter Isard with assistance from David Boyce. We urge you to join us in celebrating 50 years of Regional Science and helping to make RSAI a vital international scholarly society that is easy to join and easy to stay a member of. We look forward to working with you and receiving your comments.

Antoine Bailly

Graham Clarke

RSAI MOURNS LOWELL ASHBY

Lowell DeWitt Ashby, 89, one of the Southern Regional Science Association's founding fathers, a Fellow of the organization, and a pioneer in shift-share analysis, passed away March 3rd at Virginia Hospital Center in Arlington, VA.

Lowell was born in Hastings, Nebraska, and graduated from Hastings College. He received a master's degree in economics from the University of Minnesota and a doctorate in economics from the University of Wisconsin. He joined the staff at the Commerce Department in 1962. From 1948 to 1962, he served on the economics faculty at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Lowell was very active in SRSA; even much after his retirement, he still came to as many annual meetings as his schedule permitted.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Fern E. Ashby of Arlington; two children, Genette Ashby-Beach of Atlanta and L. DeWitt Ashby Jr. of Vienna; and three grandchildren.



AWARDS, PRIZES AND COMPETITIONS

NOMINATIONS FOR ALONSO PRIZE

Nominations are now being sought for the William Alonso Prize for Innovative Work in Regional Science. The award was established in memory of Bill Alonso, whose brilliant innova-

tions shaped several fields. It is awarded periodically for innovative academic work on understanding of human or organizational activity or behavior in space, recently published in a refereed journal or comparable publication. The first award was made last year to Masahisa Fujita and Paul Krugman for their contributions to developing the "New Economic Geography". Nominations should include a short statement of reasons for the nomination and a complete citation for the nominated work. An electronic or hard copy of the work would also be appreciated. Eligibility is open to any work published in the English language in the recent past. Unpublished Ph.D. dissertations are not eligible.

Nominations will be judged on the basis of innovativeness, likely impact on the development of academic studies in the respective field, and completeness of the work, in the sense that meaningful conclusions are derived. The selection will be made by the Prize Committee, which comprises Michael Teitz, PPIC (Committee Chair), Roger Bolton, Williams College, Sir Peter Hall, University of London, Andrew Isserman, University of Illinois, Kyung-Hwan Kim, Sogang University, Koichi Mera, University of Southern California, and Karen Polenske, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Nominations may be sent to Michael Teitz, teitz@ppic.org or Koichi Mera, mera@usc.edu

The deadline for nominations for the Alonso Prize this year will be May 15th, 2003. The award is announced at the annual RSAI meeting in November.

NEW NSF PROGRAM ON HUMAN AND SOCIAL DYNAMICS

The National Science Foundation has issued a program announcement for a new priority area titled "Human and Social Dynamics." This program announcement can be found at: <http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2003/nsf03552/nsf03552.htm>.

This special competition will inaugurate the Human and Social Dynamics (HSD) priority area. This priority area aims to develop and apply multi-scaled, multi-disciplinary approaches to better understand the causes and ramifications of change and to increase collective capabilities to anticipate its complex consequences. A related goal is to improve the understanding of the dynamics of behavior and the human mind. HSD also aims to advance knowledge of the cognitive and social structures that create and define change and to help people and organizations better manage profound or rapid change. In this initial year of a multi-year effort, the following topical areas will be emphasized: (A) Decision Making Under Uncertainty (DMUU), a part of the President's Climate Change Research Initiative; (B) Enhancing Human Performance (EHP); and (C) Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM).

Please note that deadline dates are rapidly approaching:

June 11, 2003 -- Enhancing Human Performance (EHP) Proposals

June 12, 2003 -- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Proposals

July 15, 2003 -- Deadline for Decision Making Under Uncertainty (DMUU) Center and Developmental Proposals

For more information, please review the program announcement and/or contact one of the HSD team leads; a list of team leads can be found at www.nsf.gov/sbe/hsd03/contacts.htm.

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COMMUNICATIONS & LITERATURE

NEW WEB SITE FOR ISRAELI SECTION OF RSAI

The Israeli section of the RSAI has a new website. The url is:

www.IsraelRSA.org.il

The webmaster is Daniel Felsenstein (msdfels@mscc.huji.ac.il).

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR JOURNAL OF REGIONAL SCIENCE SUBSCRIPTION

Christine Nelson of Blackwell Publishing in Malden, MA indicated her corporate e-mail has recently gone through several changes. For obtaining subscriptions to the Journal of Regional Science, please contact her at the correct address as: cnelson1@bos.blackwellpublishing.com

In the late fall, her earlier contact information was included on our outgoing RSAI membership forms for 2003, but apparently that e-mail is now obsolete. As you may have already known, RSAI Headquarters discontinued offering the service of obtaining subscriptions for our members (via RSAI) for Blackwell's Journal of Regional Science. We agreed, however, to publish this contact information in order that people can subscribe to JRS independently.

Beth Carbonneau

RECENT BOOKS BY MEMBERS OF RSAI

William R. Black and Peter Nijkamp (eds.), *Social Change and Sustainable Transport*, Indiana University Press, Bloomington, Indiana, 416 pages, index, ISBN 0-253-34067-5, \$69.95.

This book presents papers from a conference on Social Change and Sustainable Transport that was held at the University of California at Berkeley in March 1999 under the auspices of the European Science Foundation and the National Science Foundation.

The contributors are from a range of disciplines, including geography and regional science, economics, political science,

sociology and psychology, and from twelve different countries. Subjects covered include the consequences of environmentally sustainable transportation vs. the "business-as-usual" status quo; the new phenomenon of "edge cities," automobile dependence as a social problem, the influence of leisure or discretionary travel and of company cars; the problems of freight transport; the future of railroads in Europe; the imposition of electronic road tolls; potential transport benefits of e-commerce; and the electric car.

Transportation research has traditionally been dominated by engineering and logistics research approaches. This book aims to integrate social, economic, and behavioral sciences into the transportation field. As its title indicates, emphasis is on socioeconomic changes, which are increasingly what governs the development of the transportation sector.



REMINDERS

WUHAN INTERNATIONAL MEETING POSTPONED

Due to the outbreak of SARS in China and Southeast Asia, the Wuhan International Meeting on urbanization and sustainable development, has been postponed from May 26-29, 2003 to the 3rd week of October, 2003. The exact dates will be notified later. There is still a possibility of interested persons to participate and present a paper. Please contact Prof. Manas Chatterji at mchatter@binghamton.edu or (607) 777-2475.

34TH MCRSA ANNUAL CONFERENCE, MAY 29-31, 2003 CLEVELAND, OHIO

The Mid-Continent Regional Science Association will hold its 34th Annual Conference May 29-31, 2003 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Information can be found at the Association's Web site: <http://www.oznet.ksu.edu/mcrsa> (please view with Internet Explorer or Netscape 6.0 or above).

The MCRSA meetings remain one of the best buys among professional and academic association meetings. Early registrants will enjoy a reduced meeting registration fee of \$100.00 if the registration and payment is received by April 30. In addition, a special reduced fee for students will once again be in effect. The full student registration fee of \$50.00 includes both the meeting and 2003 membership. However, students who submit their paper for the 2003 M. Jarvin Emerson Memorial Paper Competition and have their paper accepted for presentation at the meetings will have their registration and membership fee waived.

The meeting will take place at the Wyndham Cleveland Hotel, Cleveland's premier meeting location. We're getting a great rate (\$99 per night) at Cleveland's best hotel.

The Mid-Continent Regional Science Association is an organization consisting of an interdisciplinary membership

from academics and other public and private organizations. We are interested in using the tools of regional science to help solving applied problems in rural and urban areas at the local, state and national levels.

Feel free to contact John Leatherman (jleather@loki.agecon.ksu.edu) if you have questions about the MCRSA's 34th Annual Conference.

CANADIAN REGIONAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION MEETINGS, MAY 30-31, 2003 VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Papers will be presented on a wide variety of topics related to regional science and public policy. Travel grants are available. For conference details visit:

<http://www.geog.ubc.ca/~edgingtn/conference/>

For programme information contact:

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SYMPOSIUM ON ENTREPRENEURSHIP, SPATIAL INDUSTRIAL CLUSTERS AND INTER-FIRM NETWORKS, JUNE 12-16, 2003 UDDEVALLA, SWEDEN

Symposium on Entrepreneurship, Spatial Industrial Clusters and Inter-Firm Networks will be held during June 12-16, 2003, in Uddevalla Sweden.

The symposium includes paper competition as follows:

\$700 Reward for the best PhD student paper and
\$1000 Reward for the best paper on Entrepreneurship, Spatial Industrial Clusters and Inter-Firm Networks

Deadline for registration and abstracts was March 1st, 2003.

For more information on the symposium, please go to www.symposium.htu.se; or, contact Iréne Johansson, Co-ordinator, Department for Studies of Work, Economics & Health, University of Trollhättan/Uddevalla; phone +46 522 65 60 02; fax: +46 522 65 60 99; email: irene.Johansson@htu.se.

HAWAII INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SOCIAL SCIENCES, JUNE 12-15, 2003 HONOLULU, HAWAII

Hawaii International Conference on Social Sciences will be held during June 12-15, 2003 at Sheraton Waikiki Hotel, Waikiki, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA

All areas of Social Sciences are included in the conference - Anthropology, Area Studies, Communication, Economics,

Education, Ethnic Studies, Geography, History, International Relations, Journalism, Political Science, Psychology, Public Administration, Sociology, Urban Planning, Women's Studies and other areas related to social sciences. For a complete list of the areas of social sciences, please visit: http://www.hicsocial.org/cfp_ss.htm

For more information about the conference, please contact at: www.hicsocial.org, or social@hicsocial.org

18TH PRSCO GENERAL CONFERENCE AND 8TH AMECIDER NATIONAL MEETING, JULY 1-4, 2003 SEA-RESORT OF ACAPULCO, MEXICO

The 18th PRSCO Conference and 8th AMECIDER National Meeting will be held in the Hyatt Regency Hotel in the city of Acapulco on July 1-4, 2003 (all day Tuesday through Friday). The theme of the Conference will be "The Potential of Regions in the Pacific Rim -economic and social, political and cultural", and for the National Meeting will be "The Potential of Mexican Regions -economic and social, political and cultural". Attendees are encouraged to register for the meeting and reserve a hotel room as soon as possible. Through April 30th, the conference fee will be \$275 USD, afterwards \$300. For those making room reservation in the venue hotel before the 1st of April, the \$275 fee will be extended till the date of the meeting itself. Very special prices were arranged with the venue hotel (single/double room: 'Mountain' \$65; 'Standard' \$70; 'Luxury' \$75; 'Regency-club' \$125; Tower-suite \$190, -all rates plus 15% and 2% taxes) provided you make your reservation (directly with the hotel) before the 1st of April. For information about the hotel, see www.acapulco.hyatt.com -Contact persons: Dr. Jorge Serrano, Chairman LOC and President of AMECIDER, jrsm@servidor.unam.mx, tels (52-55)5622-7895; (52-777)317-5299; fax: (52-777)317-5981; and Dr. Rosalio Wences, Acapulco Commissions Coordinator, University of Guerrero, wences_reza@hotmail.com, tel/fax (52-744) 487-6694 or 487-6624.

5TH IRSA CONFERENCE, JULY 18-19, 2003 BANDUNG, INDONESIA

The Indonesian Regional Science Association (IRSA) is preparing its 5th International Conference in Bandung, July 18 - 19, 2003, titled "Regional Development in a Decentralized Era: Public Services, Poverty, and the Environment". The conference is intended to be a media for scholars, practitioners, and policy-makers to discuss and exchange theoretical and empirical findings on the issue of regional development and decentralization with particular focus on the aspect of public services, equity, and the environment. It is also hoped that through this conference participants will exchange experiences and also build strong networks for future research, policy discussion, and practical collaboration.

It is expected that participants of this conference will contribute to the following regional perspective (but not limited) topics on: economic growth and development, poverty and income inequality, health and education services, infrastructure development, financing aspects of regional development, governance and institution, management of

water and sanitation, management of natural resources, and regional and local environmental problem. Topics that are not in Indonesian context are also welcomed so long as its lessons learned are relevant.

No registration fee is needed. Full paper must be submitted not later than June 15th, 2003.

For more information about the conference please visit: <http://www.irsa.2003.cjb.net> or <http://www.fe.unpad.edu/anshory/irsa>

33RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF BRITISH AND IRISH SECTION, AUGUST 20-22, 2003 ST. ANDREWS, SCOTLAND

33rd Annual Conference of the British and Irish Section of the Regional Science Association International will be held at St. Andrews, Scotland, during August 20-22, 2003. Conference themes are Devolution and regional development; Employability and local labour markets; Regional socio-economic forecasting; Crime and spatial dynamics; Business/producer services and regional economies; Innovation, clusters, learning and knowledge management; Regional specialization; EU regional convergence; and, Regional sustainability--Issues, Measurement and Policy.

Contact Dimitris Ballas at D.Ballas@geography.leeds.ac.uk for further information or visit at: <http://www.rsaibis.dundee.ac.uk/>.

43RD EUROPEAN CONGRESS, AUGUST 27-30, 2003 JYVÄSKYLÄ, FINLAND

The 43rd European Congress of the Regional Science Association will take place in Jyväskylä, Finland from August 27 to August 30, 2003. The Congress will be hosted by the School of Business and Economics, University of Jyväskylä and the Nordic Section of ERSA. The main theme of the Congress is "Peripheries, Centres, and Spatial Development in the New Europe." The phrase 'periphery-centre' reminds of the traditional confrontation in regional science which has again attracted strong interest, especially in the New Economic Geography. The main theme also reflects the integration process and its spatial effects in Europe. In addition, the theme reminds of the geographical position of the host country, Finland, at the edge of Europe. For more information, please contact Hannu Tervo, University of Jyväskylä (ersa2003@cc.jyu.fi), or visit <http://www.jyu.fi/ersa2003/>

13TH RESER INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE, OCTOBER 9-10, 2003 MONS, BELGIUM

The 13th RESER International Conference, MONS, Belgium, 9-10th of October 2003 on "Services and Regional Development" will be held by the Catholic University of Mons (FUCAM).

Topics of the conference will be (but not limited to):

1. Services, public policies and regional development
2. Services, industrial resources and regional development

3. Spatial organisation, regional development and the role of services
4. Management of the spatial expansion of service firms
5. Service firms development and regional development
6. Services and types of regions

The official languages of the conference are French and English. Arrangements will be made for simultaneous translation between French and English. To encourage doctoral students to present their research on services activities at the conference, a special session will be organized to their attention, as an integral part of the programme. Special travel grants may be allowed to selected students.

The registration fees including meals (breakfast, lunch, coffee breaks, cocktail), a special event dinner and a copy of the proceedings are:

	Before the 1st of September (After the 1st of September)
Auditors:	225 € (275 €)
Authors:	200 € (250 €)
Members of the RESER:	150 € (200 €)
Students:	100 € (150 €)

More information on the conference can be found at the website: www.fucam.ac.be/RESER

CALLS FOR PAPERS

A SEMINAR ON REGIONAL SCIENCE, JUNE 5-6, 2003 POZNAN, POLAND

A seminar on Regional Science in an era of Globalization is planned on June 5-6, 2003 at Poznan University of Economics, Poznan, Poland. Persons interested in participating and presenting a paper on Globalization and related topics are requested to contact Prof. Manas Chatterji at mchatter@binghamton.edu or (607) 777-2475 with a one page abstract of their paper.

23RD NERSA ANNUAL MEETING, NOVEMBER 6-8, 2003 BINGHAMTON, NEW YORK

The 23rd Annual meeting of North-East Regional Science Association (NERSA) will be held at Binghamton University on November 6-8, 2003 in cooperation with University at Buffalo, Cornell University and other universities in the North-East, and public and private organizations. Persons interested in participating are requested to contact Prof. Manas Chatterji at mchatter@binghamton.edu or (607) 777-2475. The theme of the meeting will be Upstate New York development. The meeting will be in conjunction with 7th Binghamton Annual Symposium on Healthcare Management and Policy. The theme of the meeting is Healthcare services for regional development.

50TH ANNUAL NORTH AMERICAN MEETINGS OF RSAI, NOVEMBER 20-22, 2003 PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

The conference will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, November 20-22nd, 2003, in the center of Philadelphia. Janice Madden, (madden@ssc.upenn.edu), and the Conference Planning Committee are arranging a **special program to commemorate the Golden Anniversary of the RSAI, including special sessions on the history and future of regional science and scholarly sessions on a range of regional science topics**. Walter Isard, founder of the Regional Science Association and current President of the North American Regional Science Council (NARSC), will deliver the Presidential Address.

Conference Registration

You are encouraged to register and pay for the conference using on-line registration and credit card payment forms. Alternatively you may download the registration form (pdf format) and submit payment via conventional mail. Go to the Conference Registration page for instructions (<http://www.narsc.org/registration.html>). Registration fees are as follows:

\$185	prior to June 30
\$210	July 1-Sept 30
\$230	after Sept 30
\$115	for students

Please note that participation in the conference requires membership in the Regional Science Association International (RSAI). If you are not a RSAI member, you may purchase membership for 2003 or 2004 at \$65 (full) or \$45 (student) using the on-line registration system.

Paper and Session Submissions

Individual papers and pre-organized sessions must be submitted on-line. We will not accept papers or sessions submitted through conventional mail or as e-mail documents. Visit the Abstract Submission page (<http://www.meetingsavvy.com/narsc/index.htm>) to submit individual papers or pre-organized sessions. As in the past, presenters will be asked to serve as discussants and/or session chairs. The deadline of abstract submission is June 30th, 2003.

Hotel Reservations

The conference takes place at the Doubletree Hotel in the center of Philadelphia, and rooms have been set aside for participants at the rate of \$119 single or double occupancy or \$129 triple or quadruple occupancy. Hotel reservations must be made by phone or fax by October 20th to receive these special rates. Visit the Conference Hotel page (<http://www.narsc.org/hotel.html>) for contact information, and for information concerning transportation from the airport to the conference hotel.

For more information about the conference, please visit the conference webpage at <http://www.narsc.org/conference.html>, or contact Janice Madden, (madden@ssc.upenn.edu).

XXIX RER: REGIONAL COMPETITIVENESS IN AN ENLARGED EU, NOVEMBER 27-28, 2003 SANTANDER, SPAIN

The 29th Annual Meeting of the Spanish Association of Regional Science will be held in Santander, Spain, on November 27 - 28, 2003. The general heading of the event is Regional Competitiveness in an enlarged EU.

Facing a new enlargement of EU, it seems convenient to debate on its various regional effects, emphasizing competitiveness. The multidisciplinary approach of the regional science, especially in its economic, geographic and historical aspects, can help ascertain crucial issues on the regional ability to compete, and provide some guidance for the appropriate design and implementation of regional policy. The papers submitted for presentation at the conference should be addressed from this viewpoint.

The conference is organized into the following broad topics:

1. Spatial dynamics within EU
2. Regional impact of EU enlargement
3. Competitive advantages of regional economies: Infrastructures
4. Competitive advantages of regional economies: Innovation and technological diffusion
5. Sectoral specialization and spatial agglomeration of economic activity
6. The economics and territory of rural and peripheral areas
7. Migration and the labor market
8. Regional economic policy: fiscal issues from a local perspective
9. Regional economic growth in the 19th and 20th centuries
10. Methods of spatial analysis.

The range of possibilities is both appealing and wide enough to include all traditional research areas within Regional Science. Therefore we would like to encourage you to participate in this forthcoming meeting. We look forward to welcoming you next fall in Santander (Spain), a city that always provides a warm and pleasant stay for visitors.

Further information can be obtained in the website: www.aecr29.unican.es (under construction).

José Villaverde
Chairman of the Local Organizing Committee

43RD ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE WRSA, FEBRUARY 25-28, 2004 MAUI, HAWAII

The 43rd annual meetings of the Western Regional Science Association will be held during February 25 and 18 at Wailea Marriott, An Outrigger Resort, Maui, Hawaii. The conference will begin with registration, an opening session, and a reception on Wednesday afternoon, February 25; Paper sessions will be held all-day Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, February 26, 27, and 28. Papers on any topic of broad interest to regional science are welcomed. The program committee screens papers for suitability before invitations are sent. Persons interested in organizing special sessions

should get in touch with WRSA Executive Secretary, David Plane, immediately. For more information send e-mail to: plane@u.arizona.edu, or visit at <http://www.u.arizona.edu/~plane/MauiCall.html>

EDITOR'S NOTE

Please note that there are two media of the communication and information exchange for the RSAI: RSAI Newsletter and RSAI Website. Any material you wish to post in these media should be submitted in electronic form (email, or email attachment, *i.e.*, text file, or conventional file format, *e.g.* Microsoft Word) to the respective editor as follows:

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For RSAI Website: Randall Jackson
(Randall.Jackson@mail.wvu.edu)

Alternatively, material can be submitted to the RSAI Headquarters (rsai@uiuc.edu); if you choose to do so, please indicate the medium or media (RSAI Newsletter, RSAI Website, or both) that you wish to post the material.

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- Yasuhide Okuyama

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