

***Special Session on:
Higher Education and Regional
Development: Promoting
Intellectual Capital for
Sustainable Wellbeing in
Peripheral Territories***



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Purpose and Scope

This special session examines how higher education institutions (HEIs) foster sustainable wellbeing and territorial resilience in peripheral and low-density regions. It focuses on the capacity of universities and polytechnics to generate human, structural, and relational capital through education, research, and community engagement. The session welcomes theoretical and empirical contributions addressing challenges such as student retention, employability, innovation ecosystems, and cross-border cooperation. By framing higher education as a catalyst for sustainability and inclusive regional growth, the session promotes interdisciplinary dialogue on how knowledge and learning can strengthen regional wellbeing and long-term development.

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