

Regional Studies Association
Conference**Localism:
Sufficient and fit for purpose?**University of Manchester, UK
Thursday 3rd November 2011**PROGRAMME**

3 November, 2011	
8.45 – 9.15	Registration and coffee
9.15 – 9.20	Welcome address Chair: Professor Brian Robson , University of Manchester
9.20 – 9.50	Professor Gerry Stoker , University of Southampton “The Politics and Governance of Territorial Development under Localism”
9.50 – 10.20	Professor Mike Raco , University College London “Sub-National Economic Development and Localism”
10.20 – 10.50	Dr Hugh Ellis , Chief Planner, Town and Country Planning Association “Planning, Regeneration and Localism”
10.50 – 11.15	Coffee break
11.15 – 13.00	Morning Workshops – see separate programme
13.00 – 13.45	Lunch
13.45 – 15.30	Afternoon Workshops – see separate programme
15.30 – 16.00	Dr Richard Cowell , Cardiff University “Localism and the Environment” Professor Mike Raco and Dr Hugh Ellis to join the discussion/Q&A
16.00-16.30	Chair: Professor Alan Townsend , Durham University Discussant: Baron Frankal , Research Director, New Economy Relaxed information closing session with a glass of wine Discussion session / Q&A

WORKSHOPS

Morning Sessions – 5 parallel sessions

11.15-13.00

**Localism and the Environment,
Harwood Room**

Chair: Sam Hayes, University of Manchester, UK

Rob Wilson, Newcastle University, Business School, UK

Understanding the Drivers for Carbon Reduction in Communities: New Localism and the Tensions Between Communities of Place and Interest

Brian Webb, University of Manchester, UK

Responding to Climate Change: Matters of Scale in Manchester

Stephen Hall, University of Hull, UK

Low Carbon City Regions: Evaporating Drivers for Sustainable Cities

**Planning, Regeneration and Localism (I)
Staff House 4**

Chair: Graham Haughton, University of Manchester, UK

Nick Bailey, University of Westminster, UK

The Continuing Popularity of the Neighbourhood and Neighbourhood Governance in the Transition from the 'Big State' to the 'Big Society' Paradigm

Dalia Lichfield, Lichfield Planning- Temple Environmental Group, UK

Localism and Regionalism as a Continuum - The Dynamic Planning approach

Alastair Greig, University of Dundee, UK

The Spatial Determinants of Economic Convergence in Britain: A Quantitative Multilevel Approach

Patricia Jones and Mike Beazley, University of Birmingham, UK

Contested Spaces: What Changes to the English Planning System Might Mean for Community Participation

**Planning, Regeneration and Localism (II)
Staff House 5**

Chair: Lee Pugalis, Northumbria University, UK

John Sturzaker and Professor Dave Shaw, University of Liverpool, UK

Localism and Neighbourhood Planning in Rural England

Duncan Bowie, University of Westminster, UK

The Impact of the Localism Agenda on Strategic Planning in London and London Governance

Alan Townsend, Durham University, UK

The Impact of Localism on Future Planning in England

Ian Stafford, Cardiff University, UK and Sarah Ayers, Bristol University, UK

Throwing the Baby out with the Bath Water? The Impact of Coalition Reforms on Identifying Sub-National Transport Priorities in England

Sub-National Development and Localism (I) Staff House 2	Sub-National Development and Localism (II) Staff House 3
<p>Chair: Sarah Payne, University of Manchester, UK</p> <p>Marius Cristea, Stefana Varvari, Mr Jozsef Benedek , Babes-Bolyai University, Romania <i>Localism Versus Regionalism in Central and Eastern Europe: The Case of the Cluj-Napoca Metropolitan Area</i></p> <p>Francesca Gambarotto and Professor Stefano Solari, University of Padova, Italy <i>Are Territorial Rooting and Regional Development Two Faces of the Same Coin?</i></p> <p>James Derounian, University of Gloucestershire, UK <i>Big Society and Localism: BIG Deal or Big Deal?</i></p>	<p>Chair: Brian Webb, University of Manchester, UK</p> <p>Ari-Veikko Anttiroiko, University of Tampere, Finland <i>Regionalization of Local Public Services: The Case of Finland</i></p> <p>Artur Kasza, European School of Law and Administration, Poland <i>Silesia in Search of Identity and Cohesion</i></p> <p>Anna Pawlikowska-Piechotka, University of Warsaw, Poland <i>Old Town - New Image' Project and Local Community Contribution</i></p> <p>Cristiano Cechella and Tomaz Dentinho, University of Azores, Franco Gustavo, Pontifical Catholic University of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil <i>Embraer Investments in Portugal: The Effects on Regional Development and the Global Company Strategy</i></p>

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Localism and the Environment

Harwood Room

Chair: Stephen Hall, University of Hull, UK

Thomas Thaler, Middlesex University, UK

Localism and Big Society Debate in flood risk Management: Consequences for the Local Authorities with New Tasks and Aims.

Elizabeth Cheese and Moya Kneafsey, Coventry University, UK

Exploring the Place of Community Food Initiatives Within the 'localism' Agenda.

Sam Hayes, University of Manchester, UK

Strategic Environment Assessment and Localism

Planning, Regeneration and Localism (I)

Staff House 4

Chair: Ian Stafford, Cardiff University, UK

Georgia Wrighton, Kingston University, UK

Redefining the Roles and Responsibilities of Spatial Planners Working for Both the Initiators of Development (Communities and Businesses) and Local Planning Authorities

Lee Pugalis, Northumbria University, UK

State-led Rescaling: Where Now for Strategic Planning and Economic Development in a Post-Regional World?

Graham Haughton, University of Manchester, UK and Phil Allmenindger, University of Cambridge, UK

Localism, Neoliberalism and Postpolitical Planning

Planning, Regeneration and Localism (II)

Staff House 5

Chair: Nick Bailey, University of Westminster, UK

Abbas Bafarasat, University of Manchester, UK

Regional, Localism and Strategic Spatial Planning

Andrew Moore, Dublin City University, Ireland

and Deiric Ó Broin, Dublin Institute of Technology, Ireland

Localism an Irish Perspective

Sarah Payne, University of Manchester, UK

Understanding Constraints on the Supply of New Housing

Sub-National Development and Localism (I) Staff House 2	Sub-National Development and Localism (II) Staff House 3
<p>Chair: Stephen Hincks, University of Manchester, UK</p> <p>David Waite and Duncan Maclennan, University of St. Andrews, UK <i>Localism and the Governance of City-regions: Learning from Overseas Experiences</i></p> <p>Simon Pemberton, University of Birmingham, UK and Janice Morphet, University College London, UK <i>The Re-Scaling of Economic Governance in England: The Challenge of Intra and Inter-Organisational Political Relations in Local Enterprise Partnerships</i></p> <p>Gordon MacLeod, Joe Painter, Raksha Pande, Lena Dominelli, Andrew Orton, Durham University, UK <i>The 'New Localism', Community Empowerment and Democracy</i></p>	<p>Chair: John Sturzaker, University of Liverpool, UK</p> <p>Tim Brown, De Montfort University, UK <i>Local Enterprise Partnerships: Top Down or Bottom Up?</i></p> <p>David Etherington, Middlesex University Business School, UK <i>Welfare to Work and Social Inequalities in De industrialised Cities: An Assessment of Devolving Policies in Sheffield</i></p> <p>Michael Barrow, University of Sussex, UK <i>Citizen Versus Official Assessments of the Value for Money Offered by Local Public Services</i></p>