The Regional Studies Association (RSA) covers issues as diverse as climate change, migration, economic development, smart specialisation and planning, focusing at the sub-national and regional scales and linking to policy making and practice. We are committed to support students and early career researchers and following below are some of the many initiatives that we offer to help grow students and early career researchers' careers, influence and research. For more details on the RSA please go to www.regionalstudies.org.

7th Master Class on EU Cohesion Policy for PhD Students & Early Career Researchers - 17th European Week of Regions and Cities

6-10 October 2019, Brussels, Belgium - <a href="https://www.regionalstudies.org/events/masterclass2019/">https://www.regionalstudies.org/events/masterclass2019/</a>

This is a fully funded career and networking opportunity for PhD students and EC researchers. Applications must complete the application form and include an abstract that falls under one of the following three broad themes:

- The Future of the EU and the roles of the Regions and Cities
- A Europe Closer to Citizens
- A Greener Europe

Deadline: 1st May 2019

## RSA Policy Expo Grant Scheme - <a href="https://www.regionalstudies.org/funding/policy-expo-grant-scheme/">https://www.regionalstudies.org/funding/policy-expo-grant-scheme/</a>

These Expos will investigate how the communities of regional studies, regional science, urban studies and related fields can respond to new societal challenges and opportunities. A member of the team needs to be an early career researcher. In 2019, the applications are invited on the following themes:

- <u>Infrastructure in local and regional development</u>
- Austerity urbanism and inclusive growth
- Sustainable energy

Value: £15,000; Deadline: 12th June 2019

## RSA Early Career Grant Scheme - <a href="https://www.regionalstudies.org/funding/early-career-grant-scheme/">https://www.regionalstudies.org/funding/early-career-grant-scheme/</a>

This award is open to individual applicants in their early career (five years maximum between the date showing on the certificate and the application deadline). Applicants must be based within an eligible higher education institution and must be a current, early career member of the RSA. This grant aims to support a discrete piece of regional studies and/or regional science research.

Value: £10,000, Deadline: 28th May 2019

## RSA Awards 2019 - https://www.regionalstudies.org/rsa-awards/awards-2019/

Nominations (both self-nominations and third party nominations) of current members are being sought for the following awards in regional studies and related fields:

- Nathaniel Lichfield Award this award is for recent Master's graduate who have graduated within the previous year;
- RSA PhD Student Award this award is for registered PhD students who have not yet received their certificate;

• **RSA Routledge Early Career Award** – this award is for early career researchers defined as being within five years of the date on their PhD certificate or equivalent.

Value: The prizes for each award are: £500; a certificate; up to £200 funds toward travel costs to attend the RSA President's Event. Deadline: 30th April 2019

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

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