

**Conference of the ASRDLF & ERSA-GR “Cities and regions in a changing Europe: challenges and prospects”
5-7 July 2017, Athens, Greece**



Conference Overview⁴

The 54th Colloquium of the Association de Science Régionale de Langue Française (ASRDLF), and the 15th conference of the Greek Section of the European Regional Science Association will be held jointly in Athens, Greece, 5-7 July 2017.

The core theme of the conference is devoted to the new challenges that cities and regions are facing in the changing European landscape.

In addition, the general theme of the conference will focus on challenges and prospects for urban and regional development within a changing European context.

Also, it is essential to mention that this conference will focus on issues regarding inequalities, inclusive and sustainable development of cities and regions within a changing European context. Current challenges for urban and regional development will be covered through a variety of interdisciplinary thematic topics which are relevant to Regional Science theory and policy.

This conference is very important and this because the aftermath of the economic crisis has created a completely new environment which affects the functioning of cities and regions. Unbalanced development on different geographical scales from global to local, and inequalities in wealth and prospects within cities raise important issues for the theory and policy of urban and regional development.

Furthermore, the migration crisis and BREXIT are among the challenges which call for a reshaping of European and national policies which also affect the functioning of cities and regions.

Finally, special sessions will be held in both in French and English.

⁴ Conference overview by Christos Genitsaropoulos, RSI Journal