

Call for Papers

CJRES Annual Conference, 12-13 July 2023

'Global Crises, Megatrends and Regional Development'

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The world is facing a series of shocks and crises, including the COVID pandemic, the war in Ukraine, a rise in protectionism, falls in real incomes for some and poverty and destitution for many. Furthermore, these crises intersect with many long-term environmental and economic shifts (sometimes called megatrends) including global warming, the biodiversity crises and technological change. The CJRES Annual Summer Conference in 2023 will consider how such crises and megatrends may have major socio-economic impacts on cities and regions. Many commentators consider that the world has changed fundamentally including suffering from an unprecedented poly-crisis. Others are more cautious, and believe that there is nothing exceptional or permanent about the current turmoil. It is important to reflect and to take stock as to what might be the impact of these Global Crises and Megatrends on our cities and regions and the people and businesses in them.

We anticipate the attendees and speakers will consider the causes and impacts of crises and megatrends which could include the following:

- Technological change, innovation and disruption;
- Supply chains and the location of new business investment;
- Inequality, left-behind places and levelling-up;
- Urbanisation and the attraction of cities as places to live and work in;
- Sustainability transitions;
- The circular economy;
- Health security;
- Food security;
- Energy security
- Demographic changes and an ageing society;
- Geopolitical shifts (in economic power and trade);
- Debt (both public and private);
- Alternative development models (e.g. the foundational economy)

Submission

Those interested in presenting a paper at the conference should submit an Abstract of no more than 400 words to Philippa Millerchip at pm436@cam.ac.uk by 14 April 2023.

It is not necessary to give a paper to attend, those wishing to attend can book a place at the conference at: https://cpes.org.uk/events/cjres2023

As in the previous years, the intention is to bring together contributions arising from the conference in future themed editions of the Cambridge Journal of Regions, Economy and Society.