

Call for Papers and Panels
11th International Social Innovation Research Conference
The Yunus Centre for Social Business and Health, Glasgow Caledonian University
September 2-4, 2019
Conference Website: <http://www.isircconference2019.com/>

Communities and Resilience

Chairs: Margaret Currie, Annie McKee, and Annabel Pinker

Email: margaret.currie@hutton.ac.uk; annie.mckee@hutton.ac.uk; annabel.pinker@hutton.ac.uk

Resilient communities tend to be empowered and have the capacity or social capital that can enable social innovations to take place. Many examples of empowered and resilient communities are located in rural communities which demonstrate strong social capital. Innovative forms of social organization are often developed in the context of ever-increasing constraints on state support to dispersed localities remote from service centres; particularly due to the dominant global financial crisis in recent years. Therefore, there is an increasing drive, in policy and in practice, to support community resilience. However, there is little systematic understanding regarding: what works well at the local level and what does not; what makes some communities vibrant and resilient and others less so; and what is the long-term resilience of social innovations. Should empowered communities be left to do their own thing, or should other governance mechanisms be in place to support their long-term viability? And should we adopt a place-based approach, recognizing that different levels of support will be necessary for different communities?

This work stream will address issues of social and spatial inequalities within (resilient) communities, identifying the underlying reasons for different 'empowerment outcomes' between and within communities. The stream invites new research that seeks to:

- understand how enhancing the resilience of rural communities can lead to socially innovative practice;
- consider how methodologies can be developed to capture policy outcomes;
- reflect how community resilience can be enhanced to enable social innovation outcomes;
- deliberate socially innovative approaches in urban communities and how these may reflect different resilient responses to rural communities.

Guidelines:

Paper abstracts must be maximum 300 words, excluding references. They should articulate: the research objectives or questions being addressed; the conceptual or theoretical perspectives informing the work; where appropriate, the methodology utilised; and the contribution of the paper to knowledge in light of the conference themes.

Optional full paper submission for consideration in best paper awards is due no later than 31st July 2019.

A maximum of two abstracts may be submitted per presenter (joint papers to be presented by coauthors will also be considered).

All paper abstracts must be submitted to isirc2019@gcu.ac.uk. On abstract submission please ensure you advise the conference stream.

Panel proposals must be maximum 400 words, excluding references. They should include: the panel purpose and its relationship to the nominated conference stream; details of (minimum) three and (maximum) four papers and paper presenters to be included in the panel; and the expected contribution to the panel.

All panel proposals must be submitted to isirc2019@gcu.ac.uk.

Abstract and panel proposals submission: Closes 28th February 2019

Decision on submissions: Notification by 31st March 2019

Full papers submitted for consideration in best paper awards due: 31st July 2019

Enquiries about conference administration and technical issues related to online submission should be directed to the conference administration team at isirc2019@gcu.ac.uk