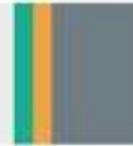




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TOURISM AND RECREATION STUDY GROUP
GROUPE D'ÉTUDE SUR LE TOURISME ET LES LOISIRS



**Recreation, Tourism and Sport
Specialty Group**

Call for Papers

Tourism Geographies ●

2-5 August 2018, Charlevoix, Quebec, Canada

Tourism geographies have been a prominent contribution to many conferences organized by the International Geographical Union, the Canadian Association of Geographers and the American Association of Geographers. However seldom tourism geographies have been at the heart of those events and often delegates represented a regional rather than a global community of tourism geographers.

Tourism is inherently a geographical phenomenon with social, cultural, economic, political, and environmental significance. Tourism creates links between people and places, and connects different cultures and environments. Moreover, tourism is a major force for global change. It creates geographical imaginations, human mobilities and flows of culture, ideas, values, commodities, and capitals, and influences society far beyond the immediate tourism industry. At the same time, tourism is embedded in other global processes creating constraints and opportunities for its development. Furthermore, tourism is an important cause and a target for global environmental change. All this justifies the academic study of tourism and indeed, makes it an imperative endeavour for achieving a more sustainable future.

An aim of the conference is to provide a platform for debating current research in tourism geographies. The conference has no particular topic and its ambition is to be inclusive. We encourage various perspectives on all issues addressed within tourism geographies. Furthermore, we hope for a wide attendance, also in order to fulfill one of the purposes of the IGU, i.e. to facilitate learning by not only comparing different places, but also different approaches and traditions.

Canada with its outstanding tradition of research within tourism geographies, is an excellent place for such a conference. Roy Wolfe, Peter Murphy, Jan Lundgren, Richard Butler, Geoff Wall and Alison Gill, are all among the pioneers of the discipline and hence, celebrating and discussing previous achievement, current results and future research agendas is an appropriate undertaking.

Against this background the IGU Commission for the Geography of Tourism, Leisure and Global Change, the CAG Tourism and Recreation Study Group and the AAG Recreation, Tourism and Sports Specialty Group, in cooperation with the Department of Geography, Université Laval, are happy to be able to invite the global community of tourism geographers to Charlevoix and Quebec.

We are now looking for submissions of special sessions and papers:

1. Special sessions should not comprise traditional paper presentations but rather alternative forms of academic interaction. This could be, for example, panel discussions, round tables, or on-stage interviews.
2. Papers should address a theoretical, methodological or empirical topic within tourism geographies. Accepted papers will be organized in thematic sessions by the conference organizers.

Paper and sessions proposals should contain a title, maximum 250 words, and 5 keywords. Please ensure that abstracts include all author names, institutions and an email contact for the lead author.

Papers should be submission information will be posted soon.

Please also note that the conference is organized as a pre-event to the IGU Regional Conference and the Annual Conference of the CAG in Quebec City, 6-10 August 2018. Hence, delegates are encouraged to take part at this event, too. For more information, please visit:

<http://igu2018.ulaval.ca/>

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