## YOUNG RESEARCHERS' DAY OF THE PARIS INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY

# WHEN TERRITORY MEETS NETWORKS

### THURSDAY APRIL 7 2016

Paris Institute of Geography Amphithéâtre De Martonne 191, rue Saint Jacques, Paris 5<sup>e</sup>

#### **CALL FOR PAPERS:**

Geographers are familiar with the dialectic territory-network. The articulation between territorial logic and reticular logic appears today as a key point to analyse space at different scales and with different possibilities of interaction: interdependence, confrontation or mutual construction. Throughout the 20th century, French geography tried to address this question. One of its major representatives is undeniably Jean Gottmann who defined the territory as the political unit of the partitioned space. This partitioning is challenged by the network. In many respects, the territorial question was also at the heart of major works of the 1990s: from the "end of geography" by Richard O'Brien to Bertrand Badie's "end of territories", not to mention what John Agnew called "the territorial trap". Supplanting or complementing the territorial paradigm, is the network emerging itself as a paradigm to understand the space of the 21st century?

This theme is also a good occasion for our Doctoral School to promote its customary multidisciplinarity. All the fields concerned by spatial issues are required: geography, architecture, urbanism, archaeology, economics, sociology, anthropology... Networks and territories may be dealt with at different spatial and temporal scales, from the street to the world; and under different forms: infrastructures, social networks, communication networks...

Our symposium, dedicated to the link between territories and networks, will welcome large and inclusive definitions. To inspire your contributions, here are five main subjects:

- 1/ Security and conflictions. Territorial logic versus reticular logic.
- 2/ Economy and technology. From the material to the immaterial, what network for what territory?
- 3/ Territory-city, network-city, networks of cities.
- 4/ Mobility and migration. Networks and territorial transformations from the local to the global.
- 5/ The lived space. Continuity and discontinuity of territories and networks.

#### **HOW TO PARTICIPATE:**

Our call is intended to young researchers in social sciences – students in master's degrees, PhD candidates and young PhDs. The symposium will take the form of a series of talks followed by open discussion with the audience and our guest of honour. There will also be a scientific exhibition. Contributions can therefore take the form of either an oral presentation or a poster. Like every year, a guest of honour will give speech and participate to the debates.

The symposium will be held on Thursday 7 April 2016 at the Paris Institute of Geography. Proposals of oral presentations and/or posters should be sent before Sunday 10 January 2016 to this email address: journee.IG2016@gmail.com. They will be assessed by a scientific committee.

Individual or collective proposals should respect the following conditions:

- ► Specify a title and 5 keywords.
- ▶ Mention your name and contact details (email address, phone number) and your university and department affiliation.
- ► Provide a summary of your intervention (or your poster). One page max, 12-point font, Times New Roman.

