



**3<sup>rd</sup> Workshop of the Young Economic Geographers Network (YEGN)**  
**“Unequal Contours of Development in the Global South”**  
20<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> of July, University of Cologne, Germany

We are glad to announce the 3<sup>rd</sup> Young Economic Geographers Network (YEGN) workshop with the title “Unequal Contours of Development in the Global South”, taking place on July 20-22 in Lindlar (nearby Cologne). Date and location are conveniently aligned to this year’s Global Conference on Economic Geography (GCEG) at the University of Cologne.

Topic

In the last two decades, increasing flows of trade, FDI and people from, between and to countries of the Global South have altered the shape of the global economy remarkably. Emerging MNEs, the offshoring of R&D activities to emerging economies, and the rising power of BRICS states in the global economy are only some expressions of that trend. Complementarily to this development, inter- and intraregional disparities emerge constantly in the Global South. This increasing participation has led to enclave spaces, uneven regional dynamics and unbalanced wealth distributions between and within countries. Against this background, economic geographers can provide valuable insights on these issues across different units of analysis (e.g. households, firms, regions) which this workshop aims to provide a platform for.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- South-South linkages, emerging MNEs and shifting end markets
- Globalization and regional development
- Regional perspectives on innovation
- Institutional change, competitiveness and regional growth
- Economic geography in the context of social and environmental change

About YEGN

The YEGN workshop was initiated by PhD students from the University of Bern and Umeå. YEGN creates a space for young scholars in economic geography and closely related disciplines to present and discuss their work and ideas with peers. We especially aim to bring together PhD-students in different phases of their dissertation and from various national backgrounds to inspire a fruitful exchange of ideas.

Deadline for Submissions

We invite PhD students from economic geography and related disciplines to submit no more than 250 word abstracts on the planned presentation by March 15, 2018. Accepted presenters will be notified by the end of March. Although no full papers are required presenters are expected to present well-grounded conceptual ideas and at least preliminary results. Please, send your abstracts to [yegn2018-cologne@uni-koeln.de](mailto:yegn2018-cologne@uni-koeln.de)

For further information please visit <https://yegn.wordpress.com/yegn-workshop-2018/>  
If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We are looking forward to see you in Cologne,

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