

Special issue: *Entrepreneurship in rural and remote areas*

Entrepreneurship in rural and remote places is increasingly seen as a potential driver for socio-economic growth in the regions that may be sparsely populated, shrinking or otherwise declining.

At the same time, rural and remote areas are attracting attention and becoming attractive places to live, work and play in the post-pandemic era, as many people are actively seeking alternatives to urban lifestyles. The lack of employment opportunities and low density of businesses means that entrepreneurship is frequently seen as a viable way to make a living after moving to a remote and/or rural area.

The type of entrepreneurial activities in such areas is broadening in range and scale, from the more established agriculture and tourism-based activities to the new and emerging industries, including renewable energies, technology and the creative arts.

Entrepreneurs are often able to create innovative and sustainable projects which may help to boost local economies, create new jobs, use land in an environmentally friendly way, tap into local talent, products and resources, and promote the social sustainability of communities by fixing local populations in place and attracting newcomers.

This type of entrepreneurship is a growing and fruitful field of research worldwide. This timely special issue seeks to build on this body of literature by bringing together a collection of studies which focus on different aspects of this phenomenon, including (but not limited to):

- Opportunities and challenges of entrepreneurship in rural and remote areas
- Spatial patterns and forms of entrepreneurship
- Profiles of entrepreneurs in rural and remote areas
- Policies and infrastructures to support entrepreneurship
- Business models of entrepreneurial activity
- Social and cultural entrepreneurship in rural and remote areas
- Lifestyle entrepreneurship in rural and remote areas
- Craft industries and traditional products in rural and remote areas
- Entrepreneurship as a driver of (or threat to) sustainable development in rural and remote areas
- Gendered patterns of entrepreneurship in rural places

We welcome contributions from any geographical location using any methodological approach. Please check [our website](#) for the types of articles accepted.

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