GUIDELINES FOR THEME ISSUE ORGANIZERS AND AUTHORS

1. Theme issue organizer(s) should submit a proposal to the Economic Geography editorial office (econgeography@clarku.edu). The proposal should contain a summary (less than 1,000 words) that outlines the aims of the proposed theme issue, explains its relevance to contemporary debates and dialogues in economic geography, briefly describes how the individual contributions relate to one another, and provides a proposed timetable for submission. In addition, the proposal should have 6–8 manuscripts associated with it, each one described clearly by individual titles and 250-word abstracts that include the authors’ names and affiliations.

2. The proposal will be judged for the overall quality as well as the relevance of the theme to Economic Geography. If the proposal is accepted, the theme issue will be allocated to one of the regular editors of Economic Geography (EG editors) to handle the review process. The theme issue organizers will then be asked to submit a list of 2-3 suggested referees for each manuscript (individuals who are not contributing to the prospective theme issue).

3. The theme issue organizer(s) should correspond with authors to ensure that all submissions/resubmissions are conducted in a timely fashion and that they are of a suitable quality to be reviewed by Economic Geography. Organizers should also review each manuscript prior to submission and offer feedback to authors in cases where significant problems are identified (refer to EG’s manuscript review guidelines in doing so). The EG editor reserves the right to reject outright manuscripts if deemed unsuitable for Economic Geography.

4. Each paper will be peer-reviewed with the same rigorous standards that apply to regular manuscripts received by Economic Geography. The EG editor will make a decision based on the reviewers’ reports. The decision letter will be sent to the author and the themed issue organizer(s).

At least three (3) manuscripts must be accepted for a theme issue to move forward. In such cases, the EG editor will invite the theme issue organizer(s) to write an introductory editorial for the theme issue based on an agreed deadline. Otherwise, accepted manuscripts will be published as stand-alone articles. If you have any questions, please contact Hilary Laraba at 1.508.793.7311 or econgeography@clarku.edu.