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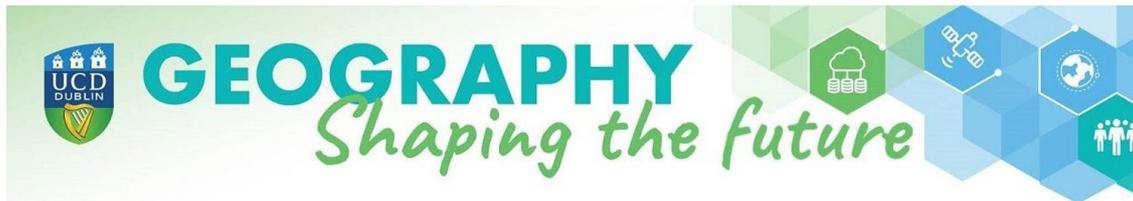
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**News and Events**

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This year's Geographical Society of Ireland Annual Conference of Irish Geographers (CIG2021) is drawing near; it's running **from the 18th to 21st of May this year**. There's still time to register and submit an abstract for this historic virtual 52nd Conference of Irish Geographers. You can find out more about the conference on [their website](#), and should you have any queries please contact the conference [email](#).

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## From Battersea to Silvertown and a lot in-between

Our 2020/2021 International Urban Field course

The field trip course for GEOG40940 International Urban Fieldwork took place last month from 20th - 23rd April. Led by Prof Niamh Moore-Cherry, it was the biggest group to take part to date and also the second time it virtually took place. You can read more about how they got on [here](#).



## AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of GEOGRAPHERS

ANNUAL MEETING • April 7-11, 2021 • VIRTUAL

On 7th April, PhD student Albert Orta Mascaró participated in the virtual Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. The title of his presentation was "Exploring the role of cities as territorial actors", and it was part of a themed session called "The institutional production of territory: subnational strategies".



Postdoc Dr Carla Kayanan appeared on an episode on the podcast *In Difference* to talk about what cities need to consider when creating innovation districts. She shared lessons on how city planners can balance the needs of local communities with the desire to compete in the global economy. It is available to watch on Spotify [here](#).



Put your geographical skills to good use by getting involved in the [Irish Hedgehog Survey](#), a citizen science project run by NUI Galway and the National Biodiversity Centre. You can take part by recording hedgehogs wherever you see them, surveying your gardens for hedgehogs, or taking part in a questionnaire about hedgehogs on the farm. More information available in the link.

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### Featured Academic

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In this month's featured academic piece, Prof Federico Ferretti takes the opportunity to discuss the geographies of anti-fascism: a case in developing a new research line to set international agendas. You can read his discussion [here](#).

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### Featured Graduate

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Since joining UCD, postdoc researcher Tasnuba Jerin has been working on a project that aims to produce an integrated Hydromorphological Classification of Rivers based on the hydrological and geomorphological characteristics throughout the Republic of Ireland. Read about her experience [here](#).

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### Farewell

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As Prof Federico Ferretti accepts a Full Professorship at the University of Bologna, Prof Alun Jones authors a short piece about Federico's substantial contribution to the School. Best of luck in your new role Federico, we wish you all the best! [Read more here](#).

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### Congratulations

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The Community SDG Dashboard project of which Prof Ainhoa Gonzalez Del

Campo is Principle Investigator, and which funded by the Earth Institute, has been selected as a good practice case study for the [Royal Irish Academy's workshop](#) on "Scaling research impact for sustainability through co-production of knowledge' to be held on the 3rd of July.

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Assoc Prof Niamh Moore-Cherry has received funding from the Irish Research Council for her project entitled *Urban Grit: A resident-led exploration of the soil nature and greenspace 'closest-in' to a high-density inner city neighbourhood*.

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Dr Carla Kayanan has received funding from the Irish Research Council for her project entitled *Housing in the Tech City: Challenges for housing provision and addressing homelessness (TechCityHome)*.

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## Publications

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Prof Niamh Moore-Cherry, alongside her colleagues Jessica Ferm and Sonia Freire-Trigo, has published the article 'Documenting the 'soft spaces' of London planning: Opportunity Areas as institutional fix in a growth-oriented city' in *Regional Studies*. [Free e-print here](#)

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Prof Niamh Moore-Cherry has also had an editorial titled 'Partnership, anti-racism, indigenization and technology: an INLT collaborative writing symposium' published in the *Journal of Geography in Higher Education*. [Available through the UCD library.](#)

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Prof Alun Jones has had the article "'The Interpretation Zone": European Geopolitics and the Interpretive Body' published in the *Annals of the American Association of Geographers*. [E-print available here](#)

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Prof Alun Jones has also had the article "'Emotionscapes of Geopolitics': Interpreting in the United Nations Security Council' published in *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographies*. [Available to read here.](#)

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