

Centre for
Urban & Regional
Development Studies

CURDS 40 YEARS



Centre for Urban and Regional Development Studies:

Our history



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Centre for Urban and Regional Development Studies: an introduction

The Centre for Urban and Regional Development Studies was founded in 1977 to provide a focus for research in urban and regional development. Pioneering the relationship between research and policy, the ethos of CURDS is based upon academic excellence and policy relevance. Throughout its 40-years of activities, CURDS has aimed to produce the highest quality research and distil its policy implications, to enhance its international reputation and standing through publication, research grants and consultancy, and to sustain and develop its research capacity and culture through support for staff and postgraduate programmes. The excellence of the centre's research is reflected in its outstanding and sustained record of publication in the highest quality international journals in our field and its continued successful generation of research income from international, national, regional and local organisations. The relevance of CURDS is reflected in the enduring role of the centre in providing research and advice for policymakers and shaping thinking and opinion amongst public and civic decision-makers across a range of geographical levels.

Across its 40-year history, CURDS research has addressed four main themes. In people and places, work has focused upon geographical variations in life chances, the movement and interaction of people through migration and commuting, and the definition of meaningful geographies for large scale quantitative analysis. For innovation and technology, research has addressed the social and spatial implications of

new and emergent forms and their organisation, ranging from early wave information and communication technologies to the digital era, and their impacts upon the extent and nature of economic and social development. In finance and services, work has focused upon institutional, technological and spatial restructuring in the financial services sector, public sector dispersal, and geographies of money and finance. For institutions and governance, research has been concerned with their roles in urban and regional development and policy at different geographical scales.

CURDS research has been funded by a range of different kinds of organisations operating at different geographical scales including the international (e.g. EU, OECD, UN-ILO, Henan Province in China and the Australian Business Foundation), national (e.g. Research Councils including AHRC, ESRC and EPSRC, government departments and agencies such as the Department for Communities and Local Government, and other organisations such as the British Academy, Joseph Rowntree Foundation and Leverhulme Trust), regional (e.g. regional development agencies) and local (e.g. local authorities).

The policy engagement and impact of CURDS research has developed and extended to reach and influence organisations of different kinds in different geographical settings. Examples include work on universities and smart specialisation (EU ERASMUS+), planning for economic

recovery and development at the provincial level in Iraq (UN-ILO), updating the Travel to Work Areas (UK Office for National Statistics), Urban Living Partnership (Research Councils UK and Innovate UK), uneven growth and tackling city decline (Joseph Rowntree Foundation), heritage crime (English Heritage), Newcastle City Futures 2065 (Newcastle City Council, Newcastle University and partners), and the impact of the Local Government Financial Settlement (Mayor of Middlesbrough).

Marking its fortieth year, this timeline describes the history of CURDS and its evolution in terms of key events, publications, projects and people. It provides an expression of the centre's history and contributions and directly informs the development pathways for our research and policy futures.

Andy Pike
Henry Daysh Professor of Regional
Development Studies
Director, Centre for Urban and Regional
Development Studies

1977



John Goddard,
Founding Director of CURDS

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CENTRE FOR URBAN AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES (CURDS)

John Goddard, First Director

The initial work of CURDS centres around the interests of a small group of researchers; **John Goddard** (Henry Daysh Professor in Regional Development Studies), **Alfred Thwaites** (the first Sir Sadler Forster Fellow in Regional Development Studies), **Stan Openshaw**, **Peter Taylor**, **Mike Coombes**, **John Dixon**, **Vicki James**, **Neill Marshall** and **Grant Rabey** with **Sheila Spence** as CURDS' first secretary.

There were three elements to the initial work of the Centre; firstly, office location and the role of services in regional development; secondly, the role of technological change in manufacturing in regional development; and, thirdly, the definition of functional regions in Britain. Each of these strands of work combined conceptual development and empirical testing, and each formed the basis of research directions which persist to the present day.

Originating contracts include:

Telecommunications and Office Location, DoE.

Data Organisation for British Cities, SSRC.

Selected Publications:

Goddard, J.B. and **Pye, R.**,
Telecommunications and Office
Location. *Regional Studies*, 11: 19-30.

1978



Andrew Gillespie joins CURDS

Ray Oakey joins CURDS to work on the regional dimensions to technological change and subsequently to develop a theme of work around innovative small firms and industries.

Andrew Gillespie joins CURDS to help establish (in a joint project with Durham University) a computerised information system for monitoring local employment and unemployment trends in the UK. He goes on to develop a theme of work around the geography of the information economy with a particular interest in communication issues.

Ian Smith becomes the second Sir Sadler Forster Fellow in Regional Development Studies. His work concerned the implications of corporate restructuring, notably take-over and merger activity, for local economic development.

Selected Publications:

Coombes, M.G., Dixon, J.S., Goddard, J.B., Openshaw, S. and Taylor, P.J. Towards a More Rational Consideration of Census Areal Units: Daily Urban Systems in Britain. *Environment and Planning* 1978, 10 1179-1185.

Goddard, J.B. and Smith, I.J. Changes in Corporate Control in the British Urban System. *Environment and Planning A* 1978 10 1073-1084.

Thwaites, A.T., Technological Change, Mobile Plants and Regional Development. *Regional Studies* 1978 12 445-461.

Two pioneering contracts won in 1978:

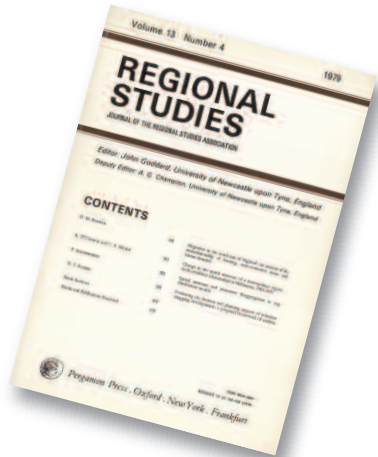
Industrial Innovation and Regional Development, DoE.

National On-line Manpower Information System (NOMIS) with University of Durham, MSC.

1979

John Goddard is appointed Editor of *Regional Studies*

Fred Robinson joins CURDS and begins work on the impact of the Tyne and Wear passenger transport system (The Metro) on local labour markets and property development later conducting studies on to the impacts of economic restructuring on the people of the North East of England.



Selected Publications:

Marshall, J.N., Corporate Organisation and Regional Office Employment. *Environment and Planning A* 1979 11 553-563.

Key Report:

Goddard, J.B., Thwaites, A.T., Gillespie, A.E., James, V., Nash, P., Oakey, R.P. and Smith, I.J. The Mobilisation of Indigenous Potential in the UK, Report to Regional Policy Directorate. EEC. CURDS, University of Newcastle.

CURDS first substantive involvement with the European Commission raises new perspectives on the processes and options for regional development in focussing on indigenous potential. The report has been said to have influenced a generation of European regional policies.

1980

CURDS is awarded Social Science Research Council (SSRC) Designated Research Centre (DRC) status.

This provided core research funding for nine years. The initial work of the DRC focussed on:

- Technological change and local industrial development
- Local labour markets and industrial change
- Area based policies and spatial organisation

These themes were expanded over the life of the DRC to include fundamental work on the roles of new and small firms in regional development, spatial data processing and geographic information systems.

David Owen joins CURDS to develop research on the changing structure of labour demand and skills in the British space economy.

Professor Norman McCord, an Associate Director of CURDS and David Stoker undertake a project on the economic and social history of the North Tyne Valley for the Northumbrian Water Authority.



Selected Publications:

Goddard, J.B. Technology Forecasting in a Spatial Context, *Futures* 1980 12 90-105.

Goddard, J.B. and Thwaites, A.T. Technological Change and the Inner City, SSRC, London, 1980.

Oakey, R.P., Thwaites, A.T. and Nash, P.A. The Regional Distribution of Innovative Manufacturing Establishments in Britain. *Regional Studies* 1980 14 235-253.

Rhind, D., Goddard, J.B., Gillespie, A.E. and Owen, D. Pilot Information System for Local Employment Office Areas. Report to MSC, CURDS, Newcastle and University of Durham, Durham, 1980.

Key Contracts:

The Interregional Diffusion of Production Innovation in Great Britain, CEC/DTI:

CURDS is awarded the first of a number of empirical and policy oriented studies for the EC and DTI associated with the generation and take up of new technologies at national and regional scales.

1981

David Gibbs becomes a member of the CURDS research team exploring the diffusion of innovations and the location of R&D in the UK.

Mike Taylor is appointed as CURDS' first Visiting Research Fellow to work on the regional implications of the corporate restructuring of industry.

David Storey joins CURDS and initiates a stream of work on new firm formation, the economic performance of small firms and their relationship to local and national economic development. He is joined in this research by **Rob Watson**.

Betty Robson joins CURDS as a secretary and subsequently becomes the longest serving member of CURDS support staff.

Selected Publications:

Gillespie, A.E. and Owen, D.W.
Unemployment Trends in the Current Recession. *Area*, 1981 **13** 189-196 (and subsequent comments) 14 (1): and 14 (4).

Oakey, R.P., Thwaites, A.T. and Nash, P.
Technological Change and Regional Development: Some Evidence of Regional Variations in Product and Process Innovation. *Environment and Planning A* 1981 **14** 1073-86.

Storey, D.J. New Firm Formation, Employment Change and the Small Firm in the County of Cleveland. *Urban Studies* 1981 **18** 335-345.

1982



Alfred Thwaites,
Deputy Director of CURDS

Alfred Thwaites becomes Deputy Director of CURDS.

Ash Amin becomes the third Sir Sadler Forster Fellow in Regional Development Studies focussing his initial work on the processes of productive restructuring and location in the European car industry. He goes on to develop more fundamental concepts around the state, institutions and regional development.



Selected Publications:

Coombes, M.G. and Openshaw, S. The Use and Definition of Travel to Work Areas in Great Britain: Some Comments. *Regional Studies* 1982 **16** 141-149.

Marshall, J.N. Linkages between Manufacturing Industry and Business Services. *Environment and Planning A* 1982 **14** 1523-1540.

Owen, D.W. and Gillespie, A.E. The Changing Relationship between Local and National Unemployment Rates in Northern England 1971-1980. *Environment and Planning A* 1982 **14** 183-193.

Storey, D.J. *Entrepreneurship and the New Firm* Croom Helm, London.

Thwaites, A.T. Some Evidence of Regional Variations in the Introduction and Diffusion of Industrial Products and Processes within British Manufacturing Industry. *Regional Studies* 1982 **16**: 371-381.

Key Contracts:

The Location of R&D Establishments in Great Britain, CEC/DTI.

The Implications of New Information Technology for the Less Favoured Regions of Europe, CEC: CURDS is awarded a contract by the Commission of the European Communities which initiated a strand of work on the regional dimension to information and communications technology that subsequently became a major and enduring theme of CURDS research.

1983

Andrew Gillespie is appointed as a 'New Blood Lecturer' in Human Geography within CURDS.

CURDS moves from its initial home in a 19th century former residence to a permanent location on the University campus, the fourth floor of the Claremont Bridge building.

Pooran Wynarczyk joins CURDS to work with David Storey on various aspects of small firm performance and goes on to make an important contribution to our understanding of inter-regional contrasts in SME performance.

Neil Alderman, on completion of his PhD in CURDS, joins the staff, working on the location of R&D in UK manufacturing industry. He goes on to develop and lead a number of studies on innovation and the processes of innovative change in manufacturing industry.

Martin Charlton, formerly a postgraduate student, becomes a member of CURDS research staff with a particular interest in spatial analysis techniques.

Judith Houston becomes CURDS' first Administrative Assistant, on a part-time basis.

Selected Publications:

Gillespie, A.E., (ed) *Technological Change and Regional Development*/ London: Pion, 1983.

Goddard, J.B., Thwaites, A.T., Gillespie, A.E. and Robinson, F., Study of the Effects of New Information Technology on the Less Favoured Regions of Europe. Report to the Directorate General for Regional Policy, CEC, CURDS, Newcastle.

Storey, D.J., *The Small Firm: An International Survey*, Croom Helm, London, 1983.

Key Contracts:

CURDS wins a prestigious project to review Travel to Work Areas for the Dept of Employment, the results of which have important implications for academic research, policy-making and implementing agencies.

Location of R&D Establishments in Great Britain, DTI/CEC.

Industrial decline in the regions of the European Community, CEC.

National classification of 1981 Census Data for Britain at the enumeration district level, SSRC.

Inventory of regional policy research, CEC.



1984

Colin Wren joins CURDS to work on the evaluation of various aspects of regional policy.

Anne Green, following her post-graduate work in CURDS, joins the research staff to pursue interests in labour market analysis.

Stan Openshaw makes a major input to the construction of 'Super-Profiles', a geodemographic segmentation system, which groups the UK's enumeration districts into 40 predictive and independent target markets, ranked in order of affluence, to provide a powerful marketing tool.

An inter-disciplinary workshop was organised by CURDS on the theme of "Technological change, industrial restructuring and regional development".

Selected Publications:

Gillespie, A.E., Goddard, J.B., Robinson, J.F., Smith, I.J. and Thwaites, A.T., The Effects of New Information Technology on the Less Favoured Regions of the Community, *Regional Policy Series No 23*, CEC, Brussels, 1984.

Openshaw, S., The Modifiable Areal Unit Problem, *CATMOG 38*, Geo Books, Norwich, 1984.

Owen, D.W., Gillespie, A.E. and Coombes, M.G., Job Shortfalls in British Local Labour Market Areas: A Classification of Labour Supply and Demand Trends, 1971-81. *Regional Studies*, 1984 **18** 469-488.

1985

David Charles, after completing his PhD in CURDS, begins work on the first of a stream of regional and technology policy-related and evaluative studies undertaken for the EU and Departments of Central and Local Government.

Jeremy Howells is appointed to develop research on the regional aspects of restructuring in the service industries.

Mark Hepworth joins CURDS to work on the geography of the information economy.

Howard Williams joins CURDS on a project identifying the regional location of IT production. He goes on to explore the implications of telecommunications deregulation on regional economic development and the use of ICTs in organisations.

Selected Publication:

Green, A.E. and Coombes, M.G.
Local Unemployment Rates: Statistical Sensitivities and Policy Implications.
Regional Studies 1984 **19** 268-273.

Key Contracts:

Domesday Project, British Broadcasting Corporation, **BBC**.

The Role of Services in European Regional Development, FAST Project, **EEC**.

Regional Location of New Information Technology Production in the European Community, **EEC**.

Job Generation: An International Review, **ESRC**.

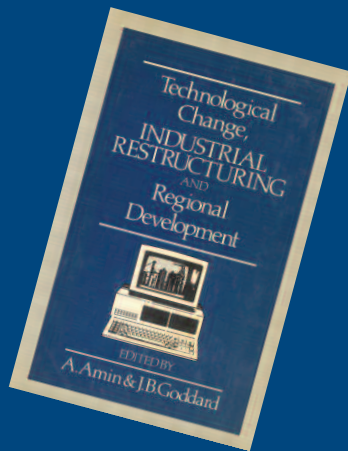


1986

John Goddard awarded the Order of the British Empire (OBE) (for services to Social Sciences and Regional Development).

CURDS becomes one of six centres supported by the ESRC/DTI Programme on Information and Communication Technologies (PICT) focusing initially on "Mapping and measuring the geography of the information economy".

Sue Robson comes to CURDS as a temporary secretary and is now the longest serving member of the support staff.



Workshop:

Anglo-American workshop on "The geography of the information economy." Howard University, Washington DC, USA, organised by Mark Hepworth.

Selected Publications:

Amin, A. and Goddard, J.B. (eds), *Technological Change, Industrial Restructuring and Regional Development*, Allen and Unwin, London, 1986.

Hepworth, M. The Geography of Technological Change in the Information Economy", *Regional Studies* 1986 20 407-424.

Openshaw, S., *Nuclear Power: Siting and Safety*, Routledge and Kegan Paul, London, 1986.

Openshaw, S., Coombes, M.G. and Green, A.E. An Efficient Algorithm to Generate Official Statistical Reporting Areas: The Case of the 1984 Travel to Work Areas Revision in Britain. *Journal of the Operational Research Society*, 1986 10 943-953.

Thwaites, A.T. and Oakey, R.P. (eds), *The Regional Economic Impact of Technological Change*, Pinter, London, 1986.

Key Contracts:

Research and technological development in the less favoured regions of the Community, EEC.

Predicting patterns of diffusion of selected innovations. MSC.

1987

CURDS sets up the **Regional Industrial Research Unit (RIRU)** with **Ed Sciberras** as its first director, funded by DoE, DTI, MSC and English Estates (North). The objective of the unit was to carry out practical research designed to underpin the activities of the sponsors relating to the economic regeneration of the North of England and to advise on their policy and programme initiatives.

Nicola Parker joins as CURDS' first full-time Administrative Assistant.

Simon Raybould, following his PhD at CURDS, joins the staff as a specialist in quantitative analysis techniques and applies these skills in a range of studies concerned with the 'well being' of individuals and groups of individuals e.g. access to housing and education, exploration of lifestyles and social deprivation.

Irene Hardill, a former CURDS PhD student, joins the staff to undertake research on the regional implications of economic restructuring.



Selected Publications:

Champion, A., Green, A., Owen, D., Ellin, D., Coombes, M.G., *Changing Places: Britain's Demographic, Economic and Social Complexion*, Edward Arnold, London, 1987.

Goddard, J.B., Charles, D.R., Howells, J. and Thwaites, A.T., *Research and Technological Development in the Less Favoured Regions of the Community*, Office of Official Publications of the European Communities, Luxembourg, 1987.

Hepworth, M. *Information Technology as Spatial Systems. Progress in Human Geography*, 1987 **11** 157-180.

Hepworth, M., Green, A. and Gillespie, A.E. *The Spatial Division of Information Labour in Great Britain. Environment and Planning A*, 1987 **19** 793-806.

Howells, J. *Developments in the Location, Technology and Industrial Organisation of Computer Services: Some Trends and Research Issues. Regional Studies* 1987 **21** 493-503.

Openshaw, S., Charlton, M., Wymer, C. and Craft, A. *A Mark 1 Geographical Analysis Machine for the Automated Analysis of Point Data Sets. International Journal of Geographical Information Systems* 1987 **1**: 335-358.

Storey, D. and Johnson, S., *Job Generation and Labour Market Change*, Macmillan, London, 1987.

Wynarczyk, P., Storey, D., Keasey, K. and Watson, R. *The Performance of Small Firms*, Croom Helm, London, 1987.

Key Contracts:

Technical Change and International Competitiveness in the Telecommunications Subscriber Equipment Industry, **Leverhulme**.

1988

CURDS appointed ESRC NorthEast Regional Research Laboratory (NE.RRL). Core funding was provided for three years during which the RRL developed databases and analyses - notably those exploiting the new software of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) - with a strong emphasis on user needs, as to provide a foundation of clients for the RRL's self funding future.

James Cornford joins the PICT team in CURDS to undertake research on the regional implications of regulatory change and economic restructuring in the audio-visual and telecommunications industries. He subsequently develops a strand of research on the 'Virtual University'.



Conference:

Telecommunications and New Economic Opportunities in Europe, Sponsored by CEC/Mercury Communications, Newcastle, organised by Andrew Gillespie.

Selected Publications:

Coombes, M.G., Green, A.E. and Owen, D.W. Substantive Issues in the Definition of 'Localities': Evidence from Sub-Group Local Labour Market Areas in the West Midlands. *Regional Studies* 1988 22 303-318.

Howells, J. and Green, A.E. *Technological Innovation, Structural Change and Location in UK Services*, Avebury-Gower, Aldershot, 1988.

Monck, C.S.P., Porter, R.B., Quintas, P.R., Storey, D.J. and Wyncarczyk, P., *Science Parks and the Growth of High-Technology Firms*, Croom Helm/Peat Warwick, London, 1988.

Openshaw, S., Charlton, M., Craft, A. and Birch, J. An Investigation of Leukaemia Clusters by the Use of a Geographical Analysis Machine", *The Lancet*, 1988 Feb 6th, 272-273.

Robinson, J.F. (ed), *Post-Industrial Tyneside*, Newcastle upon Tyne City Libraries and Arts, Newcastle, 1988.



1989

Neil Alderman is awarded a University Research Fellowship to develop an interdisciplinary programme of innovation research.

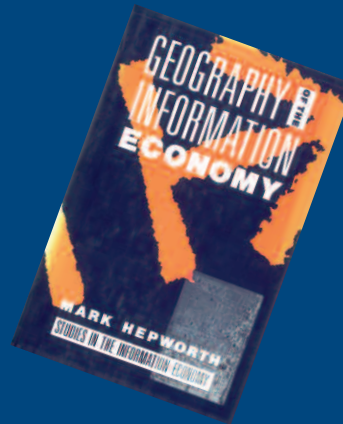
Neill Marshall rejoins CURDS after a period of time in the Department of Geography at the University of Birmingham.

Cecilia Wong joins CURDS to develop particular research interests in the use of quantitative techniques to conduct spatial analysis of economic change and social deprivation.

Kevin Robins joins CURDS as a visiting fellow on the PICT programme. He subsequently joined CURDS staff and developed a range of research themes around the cultural industries, regional identities, and the implications of the information society for cities.

John Taylor joins CURDS to work on the PICT Programme, undertaking research on information systems and telecommunications as applied to questions of governance.

Chris Brunsdon joins CURDS as a specialist in quantitative techniques and analysis. Whilst at CURDS he applied these skills to the detailed analysis of crime in the North East of England.



Selected Publications:

Charles, D.R., Monk, P. and Sciberras, E. *Technology and Competition in the International Telecommunications Industry*, Pinter Publishers, London, 1988.

Gillespie, A.E. and Robins, K. Geographical Inequalities: The Spatial Bias of the New Information Technologies. *Journal of Communications*, 1988 39 7-18.

Hepworth, M. *Geography of the Information Economy*, Pinter Publishers, London, 1988.

Robins, K. and Levidow, L. *Cyborg Worlds: The Military Information Society*, Free Association Books, London, 1988.

Key Contracts:

Indicators of potential for regeneration, DoE.

A study of HEI/Research Centre/Industry interfaces including relevant mechanisms, EEC.

The evaluation of Business Growth training scheme: option 3, DE.

1990



Amanda Stonehouse joins CURDS secretarial staff.



Selected Publications:

Alderman, N. and Davies, S. Modelling Regional Patterns of Innovation Diffusion in the UK Metal Working Industries. *Regional Studies*, 1990 **24** 513-528.

Amin, A. and Robins, K. The Re-emergence of Regional Economies? The Mythical Geography of Flexible Accumulation. *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space* 1990 **8** 7-34.

Howells, J. The Internationalisation of R&D and the Globalisation of Research Networks. *Regional Studies* 1990 **24** 495-512.

Taylor, J. and Williams, H. The Highlands and Islands Initiative: New Opportunities for Development. *Telecommunications Policy* 1990 **14** 189-193.

1991



John Tomaney

John Tomaney joins the research staff, having previously undertaken a PhD within the PICT Doctoral Training Programme.

Yvonne Stavers joins CURDS secretarial staff.

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Selected Publications:

Amin, A. and Robins, K. These are not Marshallian Times in R Camagni (Ed) *Innovation Networks: Spatial Perspectives*, Belhaven Press, London, 1991.

Marshall, J.N., Alderman, N. and Thwaites, A.T. Civil Service Relocation and the English regions. *Regional Studies* 1991 25 499-510.

Robins, K. Tradition and Translation: National Culture in its Global Context" in Corner, J and Harvey, S (Eds.) *Enterprise and Heritage: Cross-Currents of National Culture*, London, Routledge.

Taylor, J. A. and Williams, H. Public Administration and the Information Polity", *Public Administration* 1991 69: 171-190.

Key Contract:

Technology, competition and cohesion, ESRC.

1992

John Goddard is awarded the Victoria Medal of the Royal Geographical Society (for services to urban and regional studies).

Ranald Richardson joins the PICT team in CURDS, researching the implications of ICTs for cities and regions. He subsequently developed a strand of work on the implications of telephone call centres for service sector re-organisation and locational change.

David Bradley joins CURDS to explore strategies for local/regional economic development and area regeneration.

Danny Dorling joins the CURDS spatial analysis group.

Feng Li takes up a research position in CURDS following his PhD on the geography of organisational change associated with information systems.

David Maffin was recruited from industry to work on a project on engineering design. As an engineer, he reinforced the multidisciplinary character of CURDS research. He later returns to industry after completing his PhD and three projects.



John Goddard

Selected Publications:

Aksoy, A. and Marshall, J.N., The Changing Corporate Head Office and its Spatial Implications. *Regional Studies*, 1992 **26** 149-162.

Aksoy, A. and Robins, K. Hollywood for the 21st Century: Global Competition for Critical Mass in Image Markets. *Cambridge Journal of Economics* 1992 **6** 1-22.

Amin, A., Charles, D.R. and Howells, J. Corporate Restructuring and Cohesion in the New Europe. *Regional Studies* 1992 **26** 319-332.

Charles, D.R. and Howells, J., *Technology Transfer in Europe: Public and Private Networks*, Belhaven Press, London, 1992.

Cornford, J. and Robins, K. Development strategies in the audiovisual industries: the case of North East England. *Regional Studies* 1992 **26** 421-435.

Robins, K. (Ed), *Understanding Information: Business, Technology, Geography*, London, Belhaven, 1992.

Key Contract:

Engineering design and project development and its interface with manufacturing, Joint Committee EPSRC-ESRC.

Transport and communications: industrial dynamics, ESRC/CEST.

1993



Andy Pike joins the staff to develop research on the political economy of economic restructuring and local economic development policy. Andy was appointed to a Temporary Lectureship in Geography and CURDS in 1995, to a full Lectureship in 1999 and to a chair in 2010.

Bruce Reed joins CURDS as a Visiting Professor.

Selected Publications:

Coombes, M. G. Openshaw, S. Wong, C. and Raybould, S. Community Boundary Definition: A GIS Design Specification. *Regional Studies* 1993 27 280-286.

Giannopoulos, G.A. and Gillespie, A.E., (Eds) *Transport and Communications Innovation in Europe*, Belhaven Press, London, 1993.

Howells, J. and Wood, M., *The Globalisation of Production and Technology*, Belhaven, London, 1993.

Marshall, J.N., Alderman, N., Wong, C. and Thwaites, A.T., Business Growth Training Option 3 Evaluation Project, Final Report, *Dept of Employment Research Series, No 11*, Research Management Branch, Employment Department, Sheffield, 1993.

Wynarczyk, P., Watson, R., Storey, D.J., Short, H. and Keasey, K., *Managerial Labour Markets in Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises*, Routledge, London, 1993.

Key Contracts:

Review of Travel to Work Areas, DE.

Movement and mobility in the post-Fordist city, Transport and the Environment Programme, ESRC.

The role of universities in their local communities, CVCP.

Effects of international collaboration on UK HEI-Industry relations, ESRC.

1994



EUNIT Summer School, Dortmund. From (l-r) Ranald Richardson, Andrew Gillespie, John Tomaney, John Goddard and David Charles

John Goddard becomes Dean of the Faculty of Law, Environment, and Social Sciences.

Andrew Gillespie is appointed Executive Director of CURDS, with John Goddard as Honorary Director.

Pooran Wynarczyk is awarded an ESRC Senior Research Fellowship.

John Goddard and David Charles are awarded two major Human Capital and Mobility grants from the EU. One is titled the European Network on Industry, Innovation and Territory (EUNIT): a six partner research training network. The second was for four visiting European young researchers to work on regional innovation policies.

Arnoud Lagendijk joined CURDS from the Netherlands to coordinate EUNIT and to pursue research on territorial production systems and clusters. Four HCM Fellows were also appointed: Annaflavia Bianchi (Italy), Michael Mechthold (Germany), Peter Ache (Germany) and Concepcion Torres (Spain).

Selected Publications:

Amin, A. (Ed), *Post-Fordism: A Reader*, Oxford, Basil Blackwell.

Amin, A., Bradley, D., Howells, J., Tomaney, J. and Gentle, C. Regional Incentives and the Quality of Mobile Investment in the Less Favoured Regions of the EC. *Progress in Planning* 1994 41 1-122.

Coombes, M.G. and Wong, Y.L.C. Methodological Steps in the Development of Multivariate Indexes for Urban and Regional Policy Analysis. *Environment and Planning A*, 1994 26 1297-1316.

Gentle, C., Dorling, D. and Cornford, J. Negative equity in Britain: Causes and Consequences. *Urban Studies* 1994 31 181-199.

Goddard, J.B., Charles, D.R., Pike, A., Potts, G. and Bradley, D. *Universities and Communities*, Committee of Vice Chancellors and Principals, London, 1994.

Key Contracts:

Localities and City Regions, ESRC.

Evaluation of Community Initiatives of STRIDE,TELEMATIQUE and PRISMA, EU.

Consolidated Actions of Public Authorities for European Cities in the Transition to an Information Society (C.A.P.A. Cities), EU.

Technological Trajectories at the Local Scale: Product Development in Engineering, ESRC.



1995

Pooran Wynczyk sets up the Small Enterprise Research Unit (SERU) specialising in action research on small enterprise performance and growth.

SERU aims to facilitate the transfer of best practice, experience and expertise between SMEs, business support agencies, policy makers and universities at local, regional, national and EU levels.

Elaine Adam becomes CURDS' first ESRC CASE student, jointly with Newcastle Chronicle and Journal Ltd. Her PhD was awarded in 2001.

To date CURDS has been awarded fifteen ESRC CASE studentships undertaken with a range of partners from the public and private sectors.



Selected Publications:

Amin, A. and Tomaney, J. The Regional Dilemma in a Neo-Liberal Europe. *European Urban and Regional Studies* 2: 171-188.

Amin, A. and Tomaney, J. *Behind the Myth of the European Union: Prospects for Cohesion*. London, Routledge, 1995.

Legendijk, A. The Foreign Take-over of the Spanish Automobile Industry: a Growth Analysis of Internationalisation. *Regional Studies* 1995 29: 381-393.

Marshall, J.N. and Wood, P. *Services and Space*, Longman, London, 1996.

Robins, K. and Morley, D. *Spaces of Identity: Global Media, Electronic Landscapes and Cultural Boundaries*, London, Routledge, 1995.

Key Contracts:

North East Technology Foresight Network Programme, DTI.

The Economic Performance, Role and Growth of Sub-Contracting Small Firms in the UK, ESRC.

1996

Andrew Gillespie is awarded a personal Chair, becoming Professor of Communications Geography

Mike Coombes is awarded an ESRC Senior Research Fellowship on the topic of 'Measuring Urbanisation'.

Paul Benneworth joins CURDS to work on the Regional Competitiveness project, the focus of which was to benchmark the performance of the North East against national and European comparators. His current research interests include innovation, clusters and the development of regional development agencies in England.

George Kania joins the University to provide computer support to both the Department of Geography and CURDS.

Cheryl Conway joins CURDS from the University of Durham to conduct applied policy research with an emphasis on small and medium sized firms, and subsequently research on universities, graduate labour markets and learning.

Selected Publications:

Amin, A. and Thomas, D. The Negotiated Economy: State and Civic Institutions in Denmark *Economy and Society* 1996 **25** 255-281.

Champion, T., Wong, C., Rooke, A., Dorling, D. and Coombes, M.G., *The Population of Britain in the 1990s: A Social and Economic Atlas*, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 1996.

Marshall, J.N. and Richardson, R. The Impact of 'Telemediated' Services on Corporate Structures: The Experience of 'Branchless' Retail Banking in Britain. *Environment and Planning A* 1996 **28** 1843-1858.

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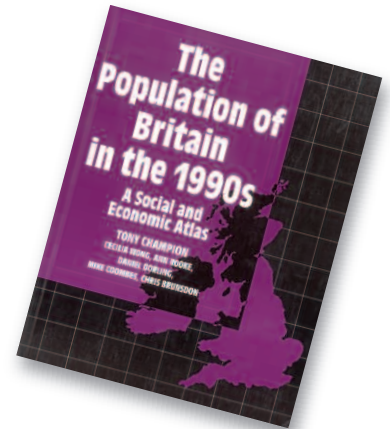
Robins, K., *Into the Image: Culture and Politics in the Field of Vision*, London, Routledge, 1996.

Thwaites, A.T. and Wynarczyk, P. The Economic Performance of Innovative Small Firms in the South East and Elsewhere in the UK' *Regional Studies* 1996 **30** 135-149.

Key Contracts:

Good Practices in Cluster Development, ADAPT, EU.

North East Competitiveness Project, ERDF.



1997

Andrea Corbett becomes secretary to the Executive Director of CURDS.



(l-r) Neil Alderman, Tomaz Ponce Dentinho and Mike Coombes

Selected Publications:

Coombes, M.G. and Raybould, S. Modelling the Influence of Individual and Spatial Factors Underlying Variations in the Levels of Secondary School Examination Results. *Environment and Planning A*, 1997 29 641-658.

Maffin, D., Thwaites, A., Alderman, N., Braiden, P. and Hills, W. Managing the Product Development Process: Combining Best Practice with Company and Project Contexts. *Technology Analysis & Strategic Management* 1997 9: 53-74.

Key Contracts:

Concrete Needs of People and Their Impact on Television Programming, **European Broadcasting Union**.

Flexible Work Practices and Communication Technology, **EU Framework Programme**.

Space, Place and the Virtual University, **ESRC Virtual Society Programme**.

Higher Level Skills in Small Firms, **GONE**.

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1998

John Goddard becomes Pro Vice Chancellor of the University.

Mike Coombes is awarded a personal Chair, becoming Professor of Geographic Information.

Neill Marshall is awarded a personal Chair, becoming Professor of Economic Geography, and also becomes Head of the Department of Geography.

Bob Catterall, the editor of *City* journal, joins CURDS as a Senior Visiting Fellow.

Vicki Belt, formerly a PhD student, joins the staff of CURDS with research interests in gender relations and the changing nature of work in the service economy.

Paul Chatterton, a former graduate of Newcastle, joins the staff of CURDS to undertake research on the contribution of universities to the economic and social life of cities.

Neil Pollock joins CURDS to undertake research on the implications of the adoption of ICT systems for universities.

Andrea Bailey joins CURDS as an administrative assistant with particular responsibility for financial matters.



21st Anniversary reception held at the Hatton Gallery

Selected Publications:

Alderman, N. Innovation Performance in the Periphery: The Case of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering. *Scottish Geographical Magazine*, 1998 114 94-102.

Office for National Statistics and **Coombes, M.G.**, 1991-based *Travel-to-Work Areas* Office for National Statistics, London, 1998.

Pike, A., Making Performance Plants from Branch Plants? In Situ Restructuring in the Automobile Industry in the United Kingdom. *Environment and Planning A*, 1998 30: 881-900.

Key Contracts:

New Media and Urban and Regional Development Opportunities in the UK, *Virtual Society?* Programme, ESRC.

Negotiating Spaces: Media and Cultural Practices in the Turkish Diaspora in Britain, France and Germany, *Virtual Society?* Programme, ESRC.

Universities and Regional Development (UNIREG), EU Framework Programme.

Mapping Funding Initiatives Tackling Poverty and Deprivation in England, National Lottery Charities Board.

Economic Links between Leeds and the Yorkshire Humber Region, Leeds City Council.

1999

Chris Ivory joins CURDS to explore management issues in large-scale and long term capital goods projects.

Ian Jones, who had been on secondment from Tyneside TEC, joins the staff of CURDS to pursue his interests in local labour markets and the contribution of skills to regional development.

Selected Publications:

Charles, D.R. and Benneworth, P. Plant Closure and Institutional Modernisation: Siemens Electronics in the North East, *Local Economy*, 1999 **14**: 200-213.

Goddard, J.B. and Chatterton, P. Regional Development Agencies and the Knowledge Economy: Harnessing the Potential of Universities. *Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy* 1999 **17** 685-699.

Goddard, J.B. and Chatterton, P., The response of Higher Education Institutions to Regional Needs, OECD, Paris, 1999.

Legendijk, A. The Emergence of Knowledge-Oriented Forms of Regional Policy in Europe. *Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie* 1999 **90** 110-116.

Pike, A. The Politics of Factory Closures and Task Forces in the North East of England *Regional Studies*, 1999 **33** 567-575.

Rappert, B., Webster, A. and Charles, D.R., Making Sense of Diversity and Reluctance: Academic Relations for USOs and SMEs. *Research Policy*, 1999 **28** 873-890.

Tomaney, J. New Labour and the English question *The Political Quarterly*, 1999 **70** 75-82.

Tomaney, J., Pike, A. and Cornford, J. The Political Economy of Shipyard Closure: The Case of Swan Hunter on Tyneside. *Regional Studies* 1999 **33** 401-411.

Key Contracts:

North East of England labour market study, **GONE**.

Evaluation of the RITTS programme, **EU**.

The role of strategic procurement in the management of long term projects, **ESRC**.

ICT access to university expertise, **ERDF**.

Nation and regions - understanding the dynamics of constitutional change, **Leverhulme**.

The role of core cities within their city region, **Core City Group**.

Planning for clusters, **DETR**.

2000

Nick Henry joins CURDS as Reader in Urban and Regional Studies. His primary research interests are in regional development in the 'advanced' economies, particularly high technology and the service industries.

Liz Robson joins CURDS to further her research interests in the cultural industries, occupational transitions, self-employment and small business survival.

Peter Hetherington, Regional Affairs Editor of The Guardian, joins CURDS as a Visiting Professor.



Selected Publications:

Chatterton, P. The Cultural Role of Universities in the Community: Revisiting the University - Community Debate. *Environment and Planning A*, 2000 **32** 165-181.

Chatterton, P. and Goddard, J.B. The Response of Higher Education Institutions to Regional Need. *European Journal of Education*, 2000 **35** 475-496.

Coombes, M.G. Defining Locality Boundaries with Synthetic Data. *Environment & Planning A*, 2000 **32** 1499-1518.

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Cornford, J. The Virtual University is... the University made concrete? *Information, Communication and Society*, 2000 **3** 508-525.

Giunta, A., Lagendijk, A. and Pike, A., *Restructuring Industry and Territory: The Experience of Europe's Regions*, Norwich, The Stationary Office, 2000.

Lagendijk, A. and Cornford, J. Regional Institutions and Knowledge - Tracking New Forms of Regional Development Policy. *Geoforum*, 2000 **31** 209-218.

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Richardson, R., Belt, V. and Marshall, J.N. Taking Calls to Newcastle: The Role of Call Centres in Regional Economic Development. *Regional Studies*, 2000 **34** 357-369.

Richardson, R. and Gillespie, A.E. Call Centre Periphery: Teleservices and Economic Development in Rural Scotland. *Geocarrefour* 2000 **75** 79-86.

Tomaney, J. End of the Empire State? New Labour and Devolution in the United Kingdom. *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*, 2000 **24** 677-690.

Tomaney, J. and Ward, N. England and the New Regionalism. *Regional Studies*, 2000 **34** 471-478.

Key Contracts:

Regional Contributions of Higher Education, HEFCE.

Students as Users: The Role of ICTs in the Changing University/Student Relation, ESRC.

Skills Foresight for the Retail Financial Services Call Centres, NTO.

Monitoring Devolution Through Four Territorial Networks (with UCL), ESRC.

Analysis of Spatial Planning and Emerging Communications Technologies (ASPECT), EU Interreg Programme.

2001

John Goddard becomes Deputy Vice Chancellor, University of Newcastle.

Pooran Wynarczk is awarded a personal Chair, becoming Professor of Small Enterprise Research, University of Newcastle.

CURDS is awarded an EU Marie Curie training site programme on university-region interactions.

Rt Hon Joyce Quin, MP, (now Baroness Quin) joins CURDS as a Visiting Professor.

Stuart Dawley joins the research staff in CURDS to pursue interests in labour market and institutional issues associated with regional development.

Lynne Humphrey, following research for the Trade Union movement, comes to CURDS to work on projects that monitor the political development of regional governance and government.

Rae Vacher takes up the position of Administrative Assistant.

Lesley Nicholson becomes part of the CURDS secretarial team.

Selected Publications:

Alderman, N. Distributed Knowledge in Complex Engineering Project Networks: Implications for Regional Innovation Systems. In Fischer MM and Frohlich J, (Eds) *Knowledge, complexity and innovation systems*, Springer, Berlin, 2001

Benneworth, P. Academic Entrepreneurship and Long-Term Business Relationships: Understanding 'Commercialization' Activities, Enterprise and Innovation. *Management Studies*, 2001 2 225-237.

Benneworth, P., "*Regional Development Agencies: Their Early Years, 1998-2001*", Seaford, Regional Studies Association, 2001.

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Pike, A. Corporate Retreat and Host Economy Abandonment in the Era of the 'Globalisation' of Capital: The Case of 'ManufacturingCo' in the North East region of England. *Capital and Class* 2001 74 31-59.

Richardson, R. and Belt, V. Saved by the bell? Call centres and Economic Development in Less Favoured Regions. *Economic and Industrial Democracy* 2001 22: 67-98.

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Key Contracts:

Business Incubators: A Comparative Analysis of European BICs, **NE England BIC**.

Culture Cluster Mapping and Analysis, **One NorthEast**.

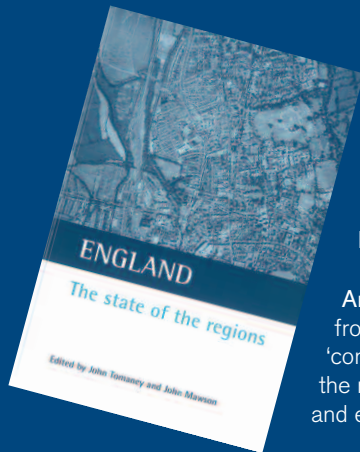
Regional Skills Research Network, **One NorthEast**.

Powers and Functions of a Regional Assembly, **NE Regional Assembly**.

2002

25th Anniversary of the establishment of the CENTRE FOR URBAN AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT STUDIES.

John Tomaney is awarded a personal Chair, becoming Professor of Regional Governance, University of Newcastle.



Dr Bob Dobbie, formerly Director of the Government Office North East, joins CURDS as a Visiting Professor.

Paul Benneworth is awarded an ESRC Post Doctoral Fellowship.

Andrew Gillespie receives the Back Award from the Royal Geographical Society for 'contribution to research linked to public policy on the role of information technologies in supporting and encouraging local change'.

Alfred Thwaites retires as Deputy Director of CURDS. Paul Chatterton leaves CURDS to take up a post at Leeds University, while David Charles, James Cornford and Neil Alderman take up posts in Newcastle University Business School. Andrea Bailey leaves CURDS. Emma Pinkney joins CURDS to work on projects on regional governance, while Jon Rutherford (currently at LATTs, Paris) joins CURDS to work on European projects.

Selected Publications:

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Henry, N., McEwan, C. and Pollard, J. Globalisation from Below: Birmingham- Postcolonial Workshop of the World? *Area*, 2002 **34** 117-127.

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Key Contracts:

Industrial Decline, Skill and the Service Economy: Training for Call Centre Work, ESRC.

STELLA: Sustainable Transport Links in Europe and Links and Liaisons with America, EU.

ARTURI: Advanced Research Training in University-Regional Interaction. EU FP5 Marie Curie.

Telecommunications and Networks, EU ESPON/Interreg.



2003

Andy Gillespie becomes Director of the University's Institute for Policy and Practice. **Mike Coombes** becomes the third Director of CURDS.

Alison Stenning and **Jane Pollard** join CURDS from Birmingham University. Alison develops work on post-socialism and migration, while Jane develops work on the financialisation of the economy. **Vicki Belt** takes up a position in Newcastle University Business School.



The CRITICAL project team meet in Tampere, Finland. The CURDS team included, Professor David Charles (project coordinator) and Dr Stuart Dawley and Cheryl Conway.

Selected publications:

Marshall JN, Willis RM, Richardson RGW. Demutualisation, strategic choice, and social responsibility. *Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy* 2003, 21(5), 735-760.

Alderman N, Coombes, M, Raybould, S. Mapping grants to deprived areas. London: Community Fund, 2003.

Richardson RGW, Gillespie AE. The call of the wild: Call centres and economic development in rural areas. *Growth and Change* 2003, 34(1), 87-108.

Coombes MG, Raybould SR. Planning a network of sites for the delivery of a new public service in England and Wales. In: Stillwell J; Clarke G, ed. *Applied GIS and spatial analysis*. Chichester: Wiley, 2003, pp. 315-333.

Key projects

CRITICAL: City regions as Intelligent Territories. EU FP5.

Potential Economic Impacts of the Closure of RAF Boulmer. Northumberland County Council.

Public Sector Relocation; English Regional RDAs.

2004

Tony Champion retires from Geography and joins CURDS as an Emeritus Professor to continue how work on migration and cities. Following completion of her PhD, **Liz Dixon** joins the staff to work with **Ranald Richardson** on an FP6 Project on Innovative Relational Services. **Pooran Wynarczyk** and **Yvonne Stavers** leave CURDS to take up positions in Newcastle University Business School. **Jon Rutherford** leaves CURDS for a position in Paris. **Lesley Nicholson** and **Andrea Corbett** leave CURDS, while **Jolene Black** joins the clerical team.



Selected publications:

Marshall JN. Financial institutions in disadvantaged areas: A comparative analysis of policies encouraging financial inclusion in Britain and the United States. *Environment and Planning A* 2004, **36**(2), 241-261.

Coomes MG, Raybould SR. Finding work in 2001: Urban-rural contrasts across England in employment rates and local job availability. *Area* 2004, **36**(2), 202-222.

Pollard JS. From industrial district to 'Urban Village'? Manufacturing, money and consumption in Birmingham's Jewellery Quarter. *Urban Studies* 2004, **41**(1), 173-193.

Marshall JN, Bradley DP, Hodgson CM, Richardson RGW, Alderman A, Benneworth P, Tebbutt G, Charles DR, Gillespie A, Tomaney J, Goddard JB. Public Sector Relocation from London and the South East: Evidence to the Lyons Review on behalf of the English Regional Development Agencies. Newcastle upon Tyne, UK: Centre for Urban and Regional Development Studies (CURDS), Newcastle University, 2004.

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Key projects

Building Science Regions in the European Research Area, ESRC.

2005

Darek Swaitek joins CURDS to work on an ESRC project on social exclusion in post-socialist economies, while Emma Pinkney leaves to undertake postgraduate study and Rae Vacher leaves to take up a position at Science Learning Centre North East.

A CURDS team led by Andy Pike takes over editorship *Regional Studies*. CURDS become the first institution to twice edit the journal. Sarah Wray and Gail Welsh work as editorial assistants on the journal.

Young-Chool Choi (then Professor at of Public Administration at Chungbuk National University in South Korea) spends a year as a visiting fellow in CURDS.



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Creating sustainable communities

Selected publications:

Goddard JB. Institutional Management and Engagement with the Knowledge Society. *Higher Education Management and Policy* 2005, 17(1), 23-44.

Marshall JN, Hodgson CM, Bradley DP. Public sector relocation and regional disparities in Britain. *Environment and Planning C: Government & Policy* 2005, 23(6), 883-906.

Marshall JN, Bradley DP, Hodgson CM, Alderman NF, Richardson RGW. Relocation, relocation, relocation: Assessing the case for public sector dispersal. *Regional Studies* 2005, 39(6), 767-787.

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Champion T. The counterurbanisation cascade in England and Wales since 1991: the evidence of a new migration dataset. *Revue Belge de Geographie* 2005, 1-2, 85-101.

Key projects:

Assessing the Local Impacts of International Migration; Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.

Economic Viability and Self-containment of Geographical Economies; Office of the Deputy Prime Minister.

2006

John Tomaney is appointed the fourth Director of CURDS.

Mario Vale (Professor of Economic Geography at the University of Lisbon) joins CURDS as a visiting professor for 4 months to work on projects with Andy Pike.

Sir Peter Hall, University College London, gives the first CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture.



Selected publications:

Pike A. 'Shareholder value' versus the regions: The closure of the Vaux Brewery in Sunderland. *Journal of Economic Geography* 2006, 6(2), 201-222.

Pike A, Rodríguez-Pose A, Tomaney J. *Local and Regional Development*. London: Routledge, 2006.

Benneworth PS, Dawley SJ. Managing the university third strand innovation process? Developing innovation support services in regionally engaged universities. *Knowledge, Technology, and Policy* 2006, 18(3), 74-94.

Henry N, Pollard JS, Benneworth P. Putting Clusters in Their Place. In: Asheim B; Cooke P; Martin R, ed. *Clusters in Regional Development*. London: Routledge, 2006.

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Key Projects:

New Public Management in Norway; Norwegian Research Council.

Post-colonial Economic Geographies; ESRC.

Women in Innovation, Science and Technology; EU FP6.

What Works in Regional development?: One North East.

2007

CURDS celebrates its 30th birthday.

CURDS is ranked second globally to UCLA (University of California at Los Angeles) in terms of the number of highly cited papers in economic geography over the past 25 years (see Jamie Foster, Chris Muellerleile, Kris Olds and Jamie Peck (2007) Circulating economic geographies: citation patterns and citation behaviour in economic geography, 1982 – 2006. *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers*, 32 (3), 295-312.)

Amanda Lane, Lynne Humphrey, Paul Benneworth and Catherine Hodgson leave CURDS to take up positions in Newcastle University Business School. Andy Cook joins CURDS from Glasgow University to work on ESRC funded work on migration, while Laura Toft temporarily joins the support staff. Nick Henry joins GHK, while taking up a position as visiting professor in CURDS.

Henry Yeung of the National University of Singapore gives the second CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture

Selected publications:

Pike A. Editorial: Whither regional studies?. *Regional Studies* 2007, **41**(9), 1143-1148.

Dawley S. Fluctuating rounds of inward investment in peripheral regions: Semiconductors in the north east of England. *Economic Geography* 2007, **83**(1), 51-73.

Pollard JS, Samers M. Islamic banking and finance: Postcolonial political economy and the decentring of economic geography. *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers* 2007, **32**(3), 313-330.

Tomaney J. Keeping a beat in the dark: narratives of regional identity in Basil Bunting's Briggflatts. *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space* 2007, **25**(2), 355-375.

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Pollard JS. Making money, (re)making firms: Microbusiness financial networks in Birmingham's Jewellery Quarter. *Environment and Planning A* 2007, **39**(2), 378-397.

Marshall JN. Public Sector Relocation Policies in the UK and Ireland. *European Planning Studies* 2007, **15**(5), 645-666.

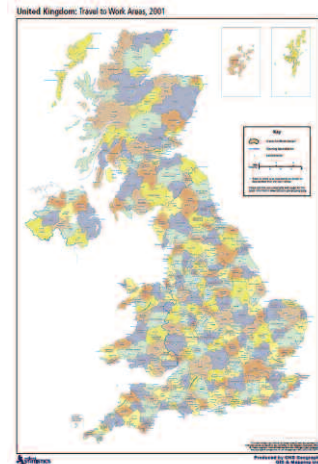
Pike AJ, Bristow G, **Coombes MG,** Fan C, **Gillespie AE,** Harris RID, Hull AD, **Marshall N,** Wren CM. Regional Studies: 40 years and more... *Regional Studies* 2007, **41** (Supplement), 1-8.

Champion T, **Coombes MG.** Using the 2001 census to study human capital movements affecting Britain's larger cities: insights and issues. *Journal of The Royal Statistical Society, Series A: Statistics in Society* 2007, **170**(2), 447-467.

Pike A, Rodríguez-Pose A, **Tomaney J.** What kind of local and regional development and for whom? *Regional Studies* 2007, (9), 1253-1269.

Key projects:

Travel to Work Analyses; Office for National Statistics.



2008

Lorraine Vincent joins CURDS as research centre coordinator. Vassilis Tselios joins CURDS as Temporary Lecturer in a post linked to CURDS work in the Spatial Economics Research Centre. Simon Raybould leaves CURDS after 21 years to join Curved Vision. Gail Welsh leaves to take up a job in publishing. Laura Toft moves to a position in Faculty of Medical Sciences and Jolene Black joins the School of Geography, Politics and Sociology.

John Goddard retires as Deputy Vice-Chancellor and returns to CURDS as Emeritus Professor of Regional Development Studies to continue his work on universities and regional development. Paul Vallance joins CURDS to work with John Goddard on a project funded by the Leverhulme Trust.

Aneta Slowik joins CURDS as visiting fellow for one year to work with Alison Stenning.

CURDS joins the UK Spatial Economics Research Centre. Led by the London School of Economics, the Centre is funded by a grant of £2.4 million over an initial three years, by the Economic and Social Research Council, Department for Business, Innovation & Skills, Communities and Local Government and the Welsh Assembly Government.

Jamie Peck, University of Wisconsin at Madison and Nik Theodore of University of Illinois at Chicago give the third CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture.



Selected publications:

Pollard JS, Oldfield J, Randall S, Thornes J. Firm finances, weather derivatives and geography. *Geoforum* 2008, **39**(2), 616-624.

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Tselios V. Income and educational inequalities in the regions of the European Union: geographical spillovers under welfare state restrictions. *Papers in Regional Science* 2008, **87**(3), 403-430.

Dawley S, Stenning AC, Pike AJ. Mapping corporations, connecting communities: Remaking steel geographies in Northern England and Southern Poland. *European Urban and Regional Studies* 2008, **15**(3), 265-287.

Goddard JB, Puukka J. The engagement of higher education institutions in regional development: an overview of the opportunities and challenges. *Higher Education Management and Policy* 2008, **20**(2), 3-33.

Key projects:

Demographic Change and Urban Labour Markets; EUROCITIES.

Evaluation of the Impact and Policy Response to Restructuring at Northern Rock; One North East.

Spatial Economics Research Centre; ESRC, BIS, CLG, Welsh Assembly Government.

Regional Insights: An International Speaker Programme; One North East 2008-2011 (speakers included: Ron Boschma, Susan Christopherson; Joan Fitzgerald; Ron Martin; Phil O'Neill; Andrés Rodríguez-Pose; Nik Theodore).

Northern Futures, Northern way.

2009

Emma Wilson joins the CURDS Support Team. Gianpiero Torrisi joins CURDS to work on SERC related projects. Cheryl Conway and Liz Dixon leave CURDS.

Andy Pike is appointed Deputy Director of CURDS.

Prof. Gavin Kitching of the University of New South Wales gives the CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture.



Andy Pike receives 'RSA Best Book Award' for *Whither Regional Studies?* from Sir Peter Hall (right) and RSA Chair, Professor David Bailey (centre).

Selected publications:

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Rodriguez-Pose A, Tselios V. Education and income inequality in the regions of the European Union. *Journal of Regional Science* 2009, **49**(3), 411-437.

MacKinnon D, Cumbers A, Pike A, Birch K, McMaster R. Evolution in Economic Geography: Institutions, Political Economy, and Adaptation. *Economic Geography* 2009, **85**(2), 129-150.

Pike AJ. Geographies of brands and branding. *Progress in Human Geography* 2009, **33**(3), 619-645.

Tselios V. Growth and Convergence in Income Per Capita and Income Inequality in the Regions of the European Union. *Spatial Economic Analysis* 2009, **4**(3), 343-370.

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Stenning AC, Dawley S. Poles to Newcastle: Grounding new migrant flows in peripheral regions. *European Urban and Regional Studies* 2009, **16**(3), 273-294.

Tranos E, Gillespie A. The spatial distribution of Internet backbone networks in Europe: A metropolitan knowledge economy perspective. *European Urban and Regional Studies* 2009, **16**(4), 423-437.

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Key projects:

Sense of Place, Social Capital and the Historic Environment; English Heritage.

Social Inclusion through the Digital Economy ; EPSRC.

Housing Market Areas, National Housing and Planning Unit.

Evaluating the local authority child poverty pilots. Child Poverty Unit.



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2010

John Tomaney becomes the second holder of the Henry Daysh Chair in Regional Development Studies following the retirement of John Goddard. Andy Pike is appointed to a personal chair in Local and Regional Development.

Following completion of his PhD Pedro Marques joins the staff. Following completion of his PhD Xuefeng Wang joins the staff to work on CURDS' projects in China. Graeme Mearns joins CURDS to work with Ranald Richardson on the SIDE project funded by EPSRC.

The Regional Insights international seminar series, developed with One North East, concludes. Speakers over the three year life of the programme included Ron Martin (Cambridge), Andr s Rodr guez-Pose (London School of Economics and IMDEA, Madrid), Joan Fitzgerald (Northeastern University, Boston), Susan Christopherson (Cornell), Phil O'Neill (University of Western Sydney) and Ron Boschma (Utrecht).

Prof. Philip McCann of Groningen University gives the CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture.



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Key projects:

Assessing the Importance and Value of Historic Buildings to Young People; English Heritage.

Decentralisation and Public Service Provision; Department for Communities and Local Government.

Urbanisation and Regional Development in Henan Province, China; Henan Development and Reform Commission.

2011

CURDS hosts the Regional Studies Association annual international conference and is awarded their inaugural Institutional Award for its sustained excellence in the field of regional studies.

John Goddard is also presented with the Sir Peter Hall award for his outstanding contribution to the field of regional studies.

As part of the project with the Henan Development and Reform Commission, CURDS organises an international seminar in Zhengzhou to inform the province's economic and spatial development strategy.

Chinese and Spanish translations of Local and Regional Development are published.

Professor Anssi Paasi (Oulu) gives the CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture on 'The enigma of the 'region' and planning practice: problematizing relational thinking'.

Jane Pollard is appointed to Chair in Economic Geography.

Louise Kempton joins as Senior RA on the CUSP Project. **Liz Robson** joins as visiting fellow supporting the SiDE (Social inclusion through the Digital Economy) project. **Sue Robson** celebrates 25 years of service in CURDS.

Shen Bing joins as a Visiting Fellow and is Director of Urban Research, Institute of Spatial Planning and Regional Economy (ISPRES), National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), Beijing, PRC.



Jane Pollard



Louise Kempton



Selected publications:

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Pike A. Placing brands and branding: a socio-spatial biography of Newcastle Brown Ale. *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers* 2011, **36**(2), 206-222.

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Tranos E, Gillespie A. The urban geography of internet backbone networks in Europe: roles and relations. *Journal of Urban Technology* 2011, **18**(1), 35-50.

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Key projects:

Connecting Universities to Regional Growth, European Commission Directorate General for Regional Policy.

Evaluation of Local Authority Child Poverty Innovation Pilots, Department of Education.

Rebalancing the economy sectorally and spatially, UK Commission on Employment and Skills.

Young people's attitudes to the local built environment, English Heritage.

Impact of the Local Government Financial Settlement, Mayor of Middlesbrough.

2012

Professor John Goddard is presented with the Lord Dearing Lifetime Achievement Award at the Times Higher Education Supplement Awards.

'Handbook of Local and Regional Development', edited by Andy Pike, Andrés Rodríguez-Pose (LSE) and John Tomaney (UCL), wins the 'Best Book 2012 Award' from the Regional Studies Association.

Professor Richard Walker (University of California Berkeley) gives the CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture on 'The Rise and Fall of the Golden State: Hard Lessons of Liberal Capitalism Learned in California'.

Andy Pike is appointed Director of CURDS.

John Tomaney leaves to become Professor of Urban and Regional Planning at the Bartlett School of Planning, University College London.

Drs Angela Abbott and Graeme Mearns join as RAs to work on the SiDE project. Gisela Zapata arrives as a teaching fellow. Anne Galbraith joins as Centre Manager.



John Goddard winning the prestigious Lord Dearing Lifetime Achievement Award at the Times Higher Education Supplement Awards



Selected publications:

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Pike A, Rodríguez-Pose A, Tomaney J, Torrissi G, Tselios V. In search of the 'economic dividend' of devolution: Spatial disparities, spatial economic policy and decentralisation in the UK. *Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy* 2012, 30(1), 10-28.

Key projects:

Entrepreneurship and small and medium-sized enterprise policy in Russia, OECD Local Economic and Employment Development Programme.

Impact Assessment of the New Tyne Crossing, Tyne and Wear Integrated Transport Authority.

My Newcastle - Assessing the importance and value of buildings and spaces to young children, Catherine Cookson Foundation.

Heritage Crime, English Heritage.

2013

Professor Danny MacKinnon joins as the Chair of Regional Development and Governance.

The Population Geography Research Group of the Royal Geographical Society and Institute of British Geographers presents its inaugural lifetime achievement award to **Tony Champion** 'for esteemed and sustained contributions to Population Geography'.

Professor Jane Willis (Queen Mary, University of London) gives the CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture on 'The Living Wage Movement'.

Dr Peter O'Brien joins as a Research Associate from the Directorship of the Tyne and Wear City Region Partnership. Dr Sophie Yarker joins as a Teaching Fellow. Professor Andy Gillespie returned to CURDS from his role as Head of School. Stuart Dawley is promoted to Senior Lecturer.

Professor Andy Pike delivers a keynote lecture to the national Korean Association of Regional Policy in Busan, South Korea



Andy Pike (2nd row, far right) with delegates at the Istanbul Chamber of Commerce for the UN-ILO project on local economic development planning in Iraq.



Selected publications:

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Marshall JN. A geographical political economy of banking crises: a peripheral region perspective on organisational concentration and spatial centralisation in Britain. *Cambridge Journal of Regions, Economy and Society* 2013, **6**(3), 455-477.

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Key projects:

Platform for Support for Innovation in England; Measuring the Impact of University-Business Cooperation

The Role of Universities in Smart Specialisation; Enterprise to Business Project – Baseline study and longitudinal evaluation, CUSP.

Planning for Economic Recovery and Development at the Provincial Level in Iraq, UN and ILO

2014

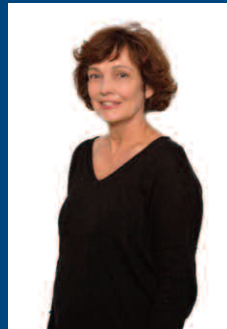
John Goddard joined the board of the Academy of Social Sciences' 'Campaign for the Social Sciences'.

CURDS holds a panel debate on 'Ten Years after the North East Assembly Referendum'

Maurice Glasman, Labour Member of the House of Lords and Reader in Political Theory, London Metropolitan University, gives the CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture on 'The Political Economy of Devolution'.

Liz Robson re-joins CURDS as a researcher on the RCUK SIDE project.

David Marlow, Director of Third Life Economics, arrives as a Visiting Professor of Practice.



Liz Robson



Social media analysis for social geography, ESRC



Selected publications:

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Vallance P. Creative knowing, organisational learning, and socio-spatial expansion in UK videogame development studios. *Geoforum* 2014, **51**, 15-26.

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Social media analysis for social geography, ESRC.

EU Framework 7 Programme project on 'smart specialisation' and regional innovation policy.

Infrastructure Business models, valuation and Innovation for Local Delivery (i-BUILD), EPSRC and ESRC.

What Works Centre for Local Economic Growth, ESRC, Department of Business Innovation and Skills, and Department for Communities and Local Government.

2015

Andy Pike becomes the Henry Daysh Professor of Regional Development Studies.

Lisa Gilder joins as Research Centres Manager for CURDS and PEALS.

Professor Mauricio Aguiar Serra arrives as a Visiting Fellow from Universidade Estadual de Campinas, Brazil.

Professor Kevin Morgan (Cardiff University) gives the CURDS Annual Distinguished Lecture on 'The public animateur: place-based innovation and the smart state'.

CURDS hosts a seminar on 'Social Innovation for an Age Friendly Society' with the Institute for Social Renewal as part of the EU FP7-funded project on Smart Specialisation and regional innovation.

CURDS, GURU and the Royal Geographical Society-Institute of British Geographers hold a public panel and debate on 'Decentralisation: what's in it for the North?'

Professor Tony Champion and co-author **Alan Townsend** is awarded the Sam Aaronovitch Memorial Prize for the best article published in 2014 in the journal *Local Economy*.

Selected publications:

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Key projects:

Uneven growth: tackling declining cities, Joseph Rowntree Foundation.

Local Nexus Network for re-distributed manufacturing, EPSRC.

Newcastle City Futures 2065.



Andy Pike gives evidence to the Communities and Local Government Committee enquiry into fiscal devolution.

2016

Professor Roger Burrows joins as Professor of Cities in the Global Urban Research Unit (GURU), School of Architecture, Planning and Landscape and CURDS.

The Office for National Statistics (ONS) commissions CURDS to undertake a new analyses of 2011 Census data on commuting patterns for the revised Travel to Work Areas (TTWAs) continuing four decades of academic input into the definition of official statistical areas.

Chris Murray, Chief Executive of the Core Cities Group, arrives as a Visiting Professor of Practice.



Dr Stuart Dawley and Professor Danny Mackinnon host a research visit from Joon-Kyung Kim (President KDI) and his team at the Korea Development Institute.



Peter O'Brien addresses the Regional Australia Seminar on City Deals in Canberra.

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Creative Fuse North East (with the Universities of Durham, Sunderland, Teeside and Northumbria), Arts and Humanities Research Council.

Geographies of mobility and debt, British Academy.

Thinking Smart, EU ERAMSUS+.

Urban Living Partnership, Research Councils UK and Innovate UK.

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