

# A dialogue on the future of regions with Dr. Parag Khanna, *animated by Dr. Andrés Rodríguez-Pose*



## Geographies of opportunity in the new global environment

8 February 2022, 10:30-12:00 CET (Paris time)

### Register:

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This dialogue is organised by the OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE), with support from the European Commission (DG REGIO). It supports the work the OECD is leading on rethinking regional attractiveness. In this discussion, Dr. Parag Khanna ([bio](#)), author of *Move: The Forces Uprooting Us* provides a keynote address on *Geographies of opportunity in the new global environment*. He explores the forces causing humans to up and move and the policies and investments required by regions to keep up with one of the most defining challenges – and opportunities – of regional development: attracting (diverse) talent.

Following the keynote, Dr Andrés Rodríguez-Pose ([bio](#)) of the London School of Economics, an internationally renowned expert in economic geography and regional science, animates the discussion. He draws on his decades of research in the field of regional science and as a consultant with numerous governments and international organisations.

Finally, the floor is open for a dialogue among the participants and the experts. This is an opportunity for regional policymakers, researchers and other interested parties to engage first-hand with renowned experts on critical issues that help in *rethinking territorial development policies in the new global environment*.

### DRAFT AGENDA

#### 10:30-10:40: Opening Remarks

**Lamia Kamal-Chaoui**, Director, OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE)

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**10:40-11:10: Keynote address by Dr. Parag Khanna** on emerging geographies of opportunity, based on insights from his book *Move: The Forces Uprooting Us* and internationally acclaimed expertise on globalisation and human geography.

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**11:10-11:35: Dialogue between Dr. Andrés Rodríguez-Pose and Dr. Parag Khanna** on what makes a region attractive in the new global environment

### **11:35-11:55: Opportunity for Q&A**

Participants will have the opportunity to engage with both experts in a moderated format

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### **11:55-12:00: Concluding remarks and next steps**

**Claire Charbit**, Head of Regional Attractiveness and Migrant Integration Unit, Regional Development and Multi-level Governance Division, OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities

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*Note: The meeting will be recorded for the Secretariat's purposes only. All personal data will be processed in accordance with [OECD Personal Data Protection Rules](#).*

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