



Call for Contributions

[UNIC](#) is an alliance of ten universities rooted in ten post-industrial cities,¹ facing challenges—and opportunities—derived from migration, economic crises, digitalisation, sustainability and risk, among others. Its mission is: boosting development of knowledge through co-creation and collaboration, innovation and inclusion. It aspires to have positive societal impact.

To further this mission, we are now calling for **contributions on any area of Transnational Screens** (including but not restricted to: **film and TV, streaming, games, mobile media, digital education** etc) from academics in UNIC and/or other HEIs in the UNIC cities, that align with the following key thematic lines:

1. Contextualising Cultural Heritage: Exploring Digital innovation and Diverse Perspectives in Post-Industrial Cities
2. Deconstructing Superdiversity: Conceptualisations, Contestations and Challenges
3. Reimagining Urban Resilience: Participatory Frameworks and the Wise City
4. Confronting Systemic Inequalities: Justice, Security, and Institutional Reforms
5. Redefining Sustainability with Adaptability: Balancing Social, Economic, and Environmental Dimensions
6. Innovating with Purpose: Aligning Teaching and Learning with Community Needs and Challenges

Accepted contributions will be published on a Special Issue of the Routledge Journal *Transnational Screens*, guest-edited by Claire Dorrity and Maroun Tabal, that will be devoted to post-industrial cities in transition. We are inviting:

- **Research articles:** between 5,000 and 7,000 words
- **Case Studies:** 3,000 to 4,000 words
- **Video or photo essays,** submitted with a 1,000 to 1,500 word introduction
- **Conference/Symposia/Event/Festival Reviews:** 900 to 1,000 words

We are particularly interested in **co-authored contributions** by staff from two or more of the HEIs or cities in the UNIC network; contributions co-authored with **students as partners (or community members)**; contributions related to Virtual Exchange, also known as Collaborative Online International Learning **VE/COIL**.

If you would like to attend an **online networking session (research speed-dating)** to share your interests/work on **12 Sep 2024** at 12pm or 5pmCET to find co-authors or partners, please fill in the form [here](#) or scan the QR code below.

Submit your **250-350 word abstract** to **by 8 November 2024** by clicking [here](#) or scanning the QR code below. Acceptance to be notified by 12 December. Full submissions by 30 March 2025. All work to be peer reviewed.

For questions or queries please email: Armida de la Garza adelagarza@ucc.ie

¹ The cities are: Cork (Ireland), Bilbao (Spain), Liège (Belgium), Bochum (Germany), Zagreb (Croatia), Malmö (Sweden), Istanbul (Türkiye), Rotterdam (the Netherlands), Oulu (Finland), Lodz (Poland).

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