

Connecting Dispersed Communities on the Move

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ABSTRACT

Mobile communication technologies create a new trajectory for travel time use and interplay of mobile and corporeal connectivity across multiple regions. This paper reviews current understandings of spatiality, regional connection, and travel time within transport studies and the social sciences. It argues that travel time is often actively appropriated for a range of activities, some of which elude quantification and economic evaluation. Thus this paper argues for a new research agenda for travel time use, especially with ICTS, that considers the many facets of ‘on the move’ regional connectivity.