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Social Exclusion and Transportation: Current Research and Emerging Themes

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There is growing concern about people within our society who are at risk of *social exclusion*. Social exclusion and transportation have been largely linked, through accessibility planning in the UK (Social Exclusion Unit, 2003), and increasingly in other regions of the world. Researches that have been undertaken include the effects of transport disadvantages, clusters/scatters of social exclusion, and transport-related policy implications. Additionally, there is evidence suggesting the need of exploring interpersonal interactions to comprehensively understand causes of social exclusion. This session is intended to stimulate research on theory, data, and methods of social exclusion while shedding some light on future directions. Potential topics include, but are not limited to:

- Approaches to identifying persons at risk of social exclusion
- Modeling the role of transportation in social exclusion processes, along with impacts of other influential factors
- The association of social exclusion and well-being
- Interpersonal interactions, social capital and social network
- Data collection efforts and/or the innovative use of existing surveys (e.g., time use survey) that support investigation into social exclusion
- The usefulness of social exclusion to inform social policy as it relates to transport

Send an abstract of no more than 250 words and your personal identification number (received from the AAG after applying online at www.aag.org) to the organizer by **October 20, 2009**.

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