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## Kaye Bock Student Paper Award

The Kaye Bock Student Paper Award is given to the author of the paper that is both an outstanding example of scholarship and exemplifies Kaye's commitment to underrepresented issues or peoples. The award is named in loving memory of Kaye Bock to honor her unbounded concern for and commitment to graduate students in the Department of City and Regional Planning. It is also intended as an expression of gratitude from the *Berkeley Planning Journal* to Kaye for her critical and caring support of the journal during our first two decades of publication. The winner is chosen by the editorial board of each volume of the *Berkeley Planning Journal*. The Kaye Bock Student Award Paper Award is accompanied by a \$250 cash gift.

This year the award goes to Marie-Fleur Albecker for her piece titled: *The Effects of Globalization in the First Suburbs of Paris: From Decline to Revival?* Albecker's paper captures the complex dynamics resulting from the economic restructuring of Paris's inner suburbs in the past decades as this region consolidates its transition from a post-industrial to a pro-global economy. Marie-Fleur Albecker's work sheds light on the characteristics of the relationship between jobs offered by firms located in one suburban town and the occupation of the inhabitants of such a locale, illustrating how "global" firms don't necessarily bring better jobs for locals. Her work also makes evident how economic restructuring tends to reinforce disparities between different localities within one larger metropolitan area, making some suburbs better suited to face the challenges of current and future crises. An important component of Albecker's work is her focus on the social consequences of such transformations, and her work clearly shows how economic revival can also create the conditions for increased socio-economic polarization and segregation. Albecker's work also shows how decisions taken at a local level have an effect on how global dynamics affect a given town.

Marie-Fleur Albecker has a professional master in Territorial and Urban Strategies from Sciences Po Paris and a research master's from the University of Paris 1 - Panthéon-Sorbonne. She is an alumnus of the *Ecole Normale Supérieure* (Paris) in Geography and Social Sciences, and holds the *agrégation* of Geography (highest teaching diploma in France). She is currently completing her Ph.D. in Territorial and Urban Planning at the University of Paris 1 - Panthéon-Sorbonne under the supervision of Prof. Sylvie Fol. Her research focuses on the socio-spatial consequences of globalization on Paris's first suburbs and the role of local policies in this context.