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[New York City, NY] – [April 30, 2019] — The American Geographical Society (AGS) has announced the selection of the 2018 Geographical Review (GR) Best Paper Award: “Rural Social Networks along Amazonian Rivers: Seeds, Labor and Soccer among Communities on the Napo River, Peru.” Authors of the paper, Drs. Christian Abizaid, Oliver T. Coomes, Yoshito Takasaki, and J. Pablo Arroyo-Mora were selected for the prestigious award in Washington, D.C. on April 5th. First published in 1915, Geographical Review is the successor to The Bulletin [and Journal] of the American Geographical Society which began publication in the 1850s. Geographical Review is recognized as one of the most prestigious geographic journals in the world and reports on authoritative and original research articles focused on geography and is well-known for special issues dedicated to specific geographical topics. The journal is currently edited by Dr. David Kaplan, AGS Councilor and Professor of Geography at Kent State University.

Dr. Kaplan noted, “We awarded the best paper prize for 2018 to ‘Rural Social Networks Along Amazonian Rivers’. The paper examines how the agricultural linkages between small villages in the Amazon are facilitated through soccer matches. This sort of innovative analysis, deep fieldwork, and interesting writing is what makes the Geographical Review such a wonderful showcase for geographical scholarship around the world.”

The American Geographical Society is a 21st-century learning society dedicated to the advancement of geographic thinking, knowledge, and understanding across business, government, academe, social sectors, and most importantly teachers and students. Established in 1851, AGS is the oldest professional geographical organization in the United States. It is recognized worldwide as a pioneer in geographical research and education for over 168 years. The mission of AGS is to advance and promote geography in business, government, science, and education. Our goal is to enhance the nation’s geographic literacy so as to engender sound public policy, national security, and human well-being worldwide. AGS seeks to engage the American public, from its youngest to its oldest citizens, with new and amazing ways to understand and characterize our changing world. The Society maintains its headquarters in New York City.

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