



## Special Session Proposal

### Special Session “New developments on Spatial Shift Share Analysis”

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#### Abstract

Shift-Share analysis has been an effective tool for identifying the sources of socio-economic changes. The relevance of these analyses is clear, since detecting the types of changes that guide regional socio-economic processes can provide plausible hypotheses when making socio-economic policy recommendations to improve the regional performances. Today we realize that the a-spatial decomposition of regional change is important but that it is not sufficient to describe the whole dimension of socio-economic changes. Indeed, the spatial dimension of the regional socio-economic changes must be taken into account. The detection of the influences of space on the regional effects is, then, crucial, as they can inform about the types of regional policies needed to foster regional development. To fill this gap, numerous works have recently appeared that present contributions on the so-called spatial shift-share analysis.

As such, the overall aim of this special issue is to bring together evidence and perspectives from different lines of study that build upon and support the foundations for the development of Spatial Shift Share Analysis. The proposed special issue will help corral together many of these positions within one single topic, helping readers to focus on the essence of the concept and its underpinnings, creating common standards for further research as well as giving greater credibility and exposure to Spatial Shift Share Analysis.

Authors with questions about the suitability of proposed topics for this special issue are encouraged to contact the Special Session Convenors.

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