

SPACE|ECONOMY PhD Workshop

The spatial turn in applied social and economic research

"...space can serve as a window into different disciplines, a means of shedding light on what separates and what unites them. Because so many lines of thought converge on the topic of spatiality, space is a vehicle for examining what it means to be interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary, to cross the borders and divides that have organized the academic division of labor" (Warf & Santa Arias, 2008)

19 December 2022 | 9:30-18:00 | University of Rome La Sapienza – Faculty of Economics

Spatial data, methods and themes have been gaining centrality in many areas of applied economic research. A spatial perspective is indeed crucial to understand globalization, inequalities, migration, the pandemic, digital capitalism, climate change, and in many other fields of investigation. Thanks to GIS software, big data or satellite imagery, spatial data is literally burgeoning. It is therefore important to find a common ground for discussing theoretical, epistemological and practical issues related to the use of spatial data and methods, going beyond traditional disciplinary and thematic boundaries. In the workshop, PhDs from various Departments of Sapienza will present their ongoing research, and reflect on the challenges of using spatial methodologies. The workshop will be opened by the key-note speech of Simona Iammarino, former head of the Department of Geography and Environment at the LSE, and renowned expert in the study of regional economic development and policy, multinational corporations, innovation and technological change.

09:30 | Simona Iammarino, London School of Economics and Political Science, and University of Cagliari | Key-note speech: **The (critical) material basis of modern technologies and its geography**

10:35 | Part I

Luisa Collina, PhD candidate in economic statistics | **Measuring the dose-response function of the Common Agriculture Policy**

Costanza Giannantoni, PhD candidate in economics | **Is decentralisation good for local labour productivity? The role of institutional quality across the European regions**

Alberto M. Radici, PhD candidate in economic geography | **The geopolitics of Italian foreign direct investments**

Federico Zampollo, PhD candidate in regional economics - GSSI | **The political economy of resilience**

13:15 | Lunch

14:45 | Part II

Gianluca Bei, PhD candidate in economic geography | **Regulating short-term rentals platforms: A comparative assessment of European cities**

Jacopo Tramontano, PhD candidate in economics | **The impact of Amazon on local labour markets: A staggered event study approach on Italian municipalities**

Carolina Falaguasta, PhD candidate in economic geography | **Mobility in Rome: Visualization and analysis of space-time heterogeneity**

Eleonora Miaci, PhD candidate in demography | **The evolution of foreigners' fertility in Italian provinces**

Alessandra Quintigliano, PhD candidate in economic history | **Love thy neighbor as thyself? Christian religion, ethnic diversity and long-run development**

The event is promoted by the PhD Models for Economics and Finance - cv in Economic Geography, in collaboration with the European PhD in Socioeconomic and Statistical Studies, the PhD School of Statistical Sciences - cv in demography, the PhD and the PhD School in Economics, the PhD School in Social and Economic Sciences - cv Public Policy Analysis and Evaluation

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