

Call for Papers

Conference on:

Regional Inequalities –

Patterns, Causes, Effects and Policies

Marburg, Germany, March 14-16, 2018

The Chairs of **Economics and Social Policy, Sociology and Empirical Social Research (Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU))** and **Economic Geography and Location Research (Philipps-Universität Marburg)**, are very pleased to announce their joint interdisciplinary conference, which will take place in Marburg in March 2018. The conference aims to bring together researchers from various academic fields to present and discuss their current empirical and theoretical research regarding regional inequalities.

Keynote Speakers:

Andrés Rodríguez-Pose (London School of Economics)

Jens Suedekum (Heinrich Heine University Düsseldorf)

Objectives of the conference:

European regions show remarkable differences in living conditions in general, and particularly in economic and social conditions. The main objective of the conference is to share new research in the fields of economics, sociology, regional science and geography on this special topic. In the context of the current research project “Equal Living Conditions” of FAU (Nürnberg) and Philipps-Universität (Marburg), the conference aims to foster the scientific exchange on the perception, patterns, causes, effects and policy aspects of regional inequality, also across disciplines. To this end, current empirical and theoretical contributions of the several fields of research are welcomed. Contributions on the following issues, but not limited to, are particularly invited:

- Regional economic growth
- Convergence and divergence
- Regional and structural policy
- Intergovernmental grants
- Interregional fairness and justice
- Interregional migration
- Place-based policies
- Spatial dimensions of social and economic inequality
- Perceptions and beliefs about regional inequality
- Acceptance of regional redistribution policies

Participants:

The conference is open for any scholar in the field. Additionally, practitioners are also most welcome. People interested in participating without presenting should also register on the internet page of the conference.

Scientific Committee of the Conference:

Martin Abraham (Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg)

Thomas Brenner (Philipps-Universität Marburg)

Matthias Wrede (Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg)

Deadlines:

Submission of abstract: **November, 30, 2017** (300 words per paper, via regional-inequalities.econgeo.de)

Notification of acceptance by December, 15, 2017

Registration until February, 15, 2018

Submission of full paper until March, 1, 2018

There has **no conference fee** to be paid with the registration.

Presentations should be about 20 min. The conference language will be English. The conference will begin and end around lunch time.

The program and further information will be available on the **conference website** (regional-inequalities.econgeo.de) as soon as possible.

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