

INFER Workshop on Spatial Analysis in Energy, Environmental and Innovation Economics

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The workshop is organized by

INFER (International Network for Economic Research)
Working Group in Regional Economics and Economic Geography
&
Institute for Future Energy Consumer Needs and Behavior (FCN)
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The focus of the workshop is on empirical studies that use methods of spatial statistics and econometrics. In addition to Economists, we invite researchers from the fields of Ecology, Epidemiology, Geography, Geo-informatics, Spatial and Urban Planning, Management studies, and others. Besides research articles, also presentations on methodological approaches embedded in software (e.g. packages/solutions in R - Use-R, MATLAB, Stata) are of interest for the workshop.

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- **Agglomeration Economies & Economy Geography**
- **Energy and Environmental Economics**
- **Housing Economics**
- **Urban & Regional Studies**
- **Transport Economics**
- **Economics of Innovation & Technological Diffusion**
- **Social-Ecological and Sustainable Development**

We are happy to welcome the following distinguished keynote speakers:

- **Paul Elhorst** (University of Groningen)
Paul is Professor of Regional Economics at the University of Groningen and Editor of Papers in Regional Science.
- **Stephan Bruns** (University of Kassel) on **Publication Selection Bias in Observational Research**
Stephan is Head of the junior research group "Meta-Research in Economics" at the University of Kassel.

The aim of this Workshop is to promote and develop exchanges between scientific and practical researchers, data analysts and software developers in the field of spatial analysis with a focus on applications on topics of Energy, Environmental and Innovation Economics. The intention is to publish a special issue in a spatial economic journal with a selection of submitted articles.

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Paper Submission Procedure:

To submit a paper to the workshop, please send a complete version in a pdf format to Christian Oberst (coberst@eonerc.rwth-aachen.de) with the subject "Submission to the INFER Workshop".

The **deadline for submission is November 1st, 2015**. Only full papers in English may be submitted with the following information:

- Authors' full name and affiliation
- Contact details for corresponding author (address, phone and e-mail)

All submitted papers will be peer reviewed according to a high-quality and fast referee process by the Scientific Committee. Authors will be notified whether their paper is accepted for presentation at the Workshop no later than November 19, 2015. Workshop presenters are expected to discuss one other paper during the sessions. The discussant assignments will be made by the workshop organizers at a later date. As the workshop intends to build a network in this research area, participation is welcome even without paper contributions.

Important dates:

- **Deadline for paper submission: November 1, 2015**
- **Deadline for notification of paper acceptance: November 19, 2015**
- **Deadline for registration and payment: November 26, 2015**

Registration and Registration Fee:

The registration fee for presenting and non-presenting participants will be:

- INFER members: 80 EUR
- Other participants: 120 EUR

Please note: the annual membership fee for private INFER members is 25 EUR only (institutional INFER members 200 EUR). You are invited to become a member. The registration fee includes the conference dinner, lunches and drinks. It does not include travel and accommodation expenses. All workshop participants have to register for the workshop. Please note that paper submission is not regarded as a registration. Registration can be done as follows:

- through the INFER website + PayPal

Please register on the INFER website (www.infer-research.net). Payment can be done via PayPal on the website. Please note that you can use the same website to become an INFER member.

Deadline for registration and payment : November 26. In case of late registration, the fees will be increased by 50 %.

Further Information :

If you have any questions about this workshop, please contact Christian Oberst (coberst@eonerc.rwth-aachen.de). Questions about INFER may be directed to the Chair of the INFER Camelia Turcu (camelia.turcu@univ-orleans.fr).