**SUBJECT:** Regional policy in EU

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## **COURSE DESCRIPTION**

The main goal of the course is to provide theoretical basis, rules and aspects of regional policy and regional development in EU countries. The course will get students familiar with idea of European Union regional policy and its evolution, institutions, mechanisms and financing. Essential part of the course will be focusing on contemporary problems of EU regional policy, regional development in selected counties, differences and priorities. The focal point of the given course will be analysis of regional management processes and survey of "good practices".

Goals of the course:

- understanding of EU regional policy rules and basis
- obtaining knowledge of regional policy instruments
- ability to indicate factors of regional development
- ability to compare and value conducted regional policy and its effects (in selected countries)

The course consists 15 hours of seminar.

# **Content of the course:**

- 1) Theory, basis and background of EU regional policy
- 2) Evolution of regional policy
- 3) Available EU funds
- 4) Management of EU funds main rules
- 5) Managing authorities and programs in EU member countries

#### **LEARNING OUTCOMES**

Students will be able to know theoretical basis, background and way of evolution of EU regional policy. They will also received information on possibility of regional support, regional development factors and forms of regional development management.

## **GRADING POLICY**

20% - active participation in seminars;

80% - final presentation;

#### **TIMETABLE**

till March  $10^{\text{th}}$  – registration of presentations at the seminar group;

# TEXTBOOK AND REQUIRED MATERIALS

European integration, regional policy and growth, ed. B. Funck, L. Pizzati, Th World Bank, Washington, D.C. 2003.

P. Braunerhjelm, R. Faini, V. Norman, F. Ruane, P. Seabright, *Integration and The Regions of Europe: How the Right Policies Can Prevent Polarization*, Center for Economic Research, London 2000.

Governing Regional Development Policy. The Use of Performance Indicators, OECD 2009. Central Europe in Transition: Towards EU Membership, ed. G. Gorzelak, E. Ehrlih, L. Faltan, M. Illner,

The Futures of European Regions, ed. P. Jakubowska, A. Kukliński, P. Żuber, REDEFO, Warsaw 2007.

Europe – Reflections on Social Capital, Innovations and Regional Development. The Ostuni Consensus, ed. M. Landabaso, A. Kukliński, C. Roman, Wyższa szkoła Biznesu – National Louis Universuty, Nowy Sącz 2007.

F. Adam, *The Challenges of Sustained Development. The Role of Socio-Cultural Factors*, CEU, Budapest, New York 2005.

# Other sources:

RegioInfo - <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/regional\_policy/sources/extern\_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/regional\_policy/sources/extern\_en.htm</a>
The Committee of the Regions - <a href="http://www.cor.europa.eu/">http://www.cor.europa.eu/</a>
Assembly of European Regions - <a href="http://www.aer.eu/">http://www.aer.eu/</a>
Regional Studies Association - <a href="http://www.regional-studies-assoc.ac.uk/">http://www.regional-studies-assoc.ac.uk/</a>

## **PREREQUISITES:**

The students should have already followed introductory courses in politics and political systems; intro. to public administration and basic knowledge of European Union system would also be helpful.

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