



Regional Policies and Rural Areas (74 077)

SS 2006

Thursday 12:15-13:45, MZG 1118 / Friday 9:15-10:45, VG 102

Outline

1. Introduction and course outline
2. Fiscal federalism
3. Economic geography
4. Theories of regional economic growth and development
 - 4.1 Export base and input-output-models
 - 4.2 Neoclassical growth models
 - 4.3 Polarisation theory
 - 4.4 New growth theory
5. Regional policy in the European Union
 - 5.1 Development and evolution
 - 5.2 Regional policy and agricultural policy

Exam: Oral examination

Language: The lectures will be held in English. Students are free to participate in German.
The oral examination can also be taken in German.

Suggested references:

- Armstrong, H. and Taylor, J.: *Regional Economics and Policy*. Blackwell (2000).
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- Krugman, P.: *Geography and Trade*. Leuven Uni Press (1991).
- Maier, G. and Tödtling, F.: *Regional- und Stadtökonomik* (Band 1: *Standorttheorie und Raumstruktur*; Band 2: *Regionalentwicklung und Regionalpolitik*). Springer (1995 and 1996).
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