

OECD Trento Centre for Local Development

# OECD Spatial Productivity Lab

Spatial productivity for regional and local development – 6<sup>th</sup> meeting

11 December 2019 | Trento, Italy

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## AGENDA



## ■ The OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities

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## ■ The OECD Spatial Productivity Lab

The OECD Spatial Productivity Lab (SPL) is a dedicated research laboratory that works with local and global partners to improve our understanding of the spatial dimension of productivity growth, the relevance of links between different types of areas and how regional policy can facilitate productivity growth, creation of better jobs and increased well-being.

The OECD Spatial Productivity Lab at the OECD Trento Centre for Local Development is an integral part of the OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities. The mission of the Trento Centre is to build capacities for local development in OECD member and non-member countries, working directly with policy makers at all levels of government.

## ■ Venue of the meeting

OECD Trento Centre for Local Development  
Vicolo San Marco, 1  
38122 Trento, Italy

## ■ Language

The meeting will be held in English.

## ■ Website

OECD Trento Centre: [www.trento.oecd.org](http://www.trento.oecd.org)  
OECD Spatial Productivity Lab: [oe.cd/SPL](http://oe.cd/SPL)

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## OECD SPL Partners



Venue: OECD Trento Centre for Local Development, Vicolo San Marco, 1 Trento

15.00-15.10 **Welcome**

Welcome remarks by *Alessandra Proto*, Acting Head, OECD Trento Centre for Local Development

15.10-15.35 **Macroeconomic trends in Italy and in Trentino\***

In recent years, a number of papers documented some relevant macroeconomic trends, such as changes in factor shares, labor force participation, investment and labor reallocation, in several advanced countries. Research that addresses this topic in the Italian context is still relatively scant, although growing. This presentation offers a tentative overview of various recent macroeconomic trends for Italy and, when data are available, the four Italian macro-regions and the Province of Trento.

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15.35-15.50 **Open discussion**

15.50-16.15 **Recent economic trends in the Provinces of Trento and Bolzano**

We present the main findings of the Bank of Italy publication *L'economia delle Province autonome di Trento e di Bolzano – Aggiornamento congiunturale*. In the first part of 2019, the economy of Trentino has slowed down due to a moderate growth of exports and an environment of persistent global uncertainties, which continue to weight on the manufacturing sector and are dampening investment growth. At the same time, the services and construction sectors remain resilient, despite some moderation in touristic flows. Credit market dynamics are weakening due to slower demand for new credit. Labor market conditions remain strong.

*Antonio Accetturo*, Head, Economic Research Unit, Bank of Italy - Trento branch

16.15-16.30 **Open discussion**

16.30-16.55 **The knowledge-intensive industries in the Province of Trento: The 2012-2016 spatial profile**

The R&D-intensive (RDI) industries are crucial for the sustained growth prospects, competitiveness and economic resilience in the modern world. This presentation offers a dynamic snapshot of the RDI sector in the Province of Trento over 2012-2016. It is juxtaposed with the overall economy of the province with the special focus on the size and concentration, wages, engagements in international trade, productivity and the prevalence of artisan businesses. The geographical distribution and the evolution over time is highlighted.

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16.55-17.10 **Open discussion**

17.10-17.20 **Closing remarks**

*Mattia Corbetta*, Policy Analyst, OECD Trento Centre for Local Development

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