

OECD Trento Centre for Local Development

OECD Spatial Productivity Lab in collaboration with Productivity Insights Network

Spatial productivity in the post-COVID-19 world

*Spatial productivity for regional and
local development – 12th meeting*

4 February 2021 | DIGITAL EVENT

AGENDA



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

The OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE) provides comparative statistics, analysis and capacity building for local and national actors to work together to unleash the potential of entrepreneurs and small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), promote inclusive and sustainable regions and cities, boost local job creation, and support sound tourism policies. www.oecd.org/cfe



■ 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.

■ Productivity Insights Network

The Productivity Insights Network is a multi-disciplinary network of social science researchers engaged with public, private, and third sector partners. Its aim is to change the tone of the productivity debate in theory and practice. It is led by the University of Sheffield, with co-investigators at Oxford Brookes University, Cambridge Econometrics, Cardiff University, Durham University, University of Sunderland, SQW, University of Cambridge, University of Essex, University of Glasgow, University of Leeds and University of Stirling.

■ Venue of the meeting

Virtual meeting over ZOOM

To participate, please register [here](#). Link with log-in details sent to all registered participants.

■ Language

The meeting will be held in English.

■ Website

OECD Trento Centre: www.trento.oecd.org

OECD Spatial Productivity Lab: oe.cd/SPL

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Thursday
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Venue: *Virtual meeting over ZOOM – CET*

Chair: *Alexandra Tsvetkova*, Economist and Policy Analyst, OECD Trento Centre for Local Development

As the world is changed by the pandemic, the mechanisms defining productivity of firms and regions are likely to be reshaped. What will stay the same and what will be different? How the crisis can be used as an opportunity to leap forward to a more productive, but also more inclusive, world with no places left behind? The 12th SPL meeting organised in partnership with the UK-based Productivity Insights Network will offer an opportunity to explore these and other pressing questions through the lens of labour markets, regional innovation systems and resilience.

14.55-15.00 ○ ZOOM meeting open for connection

15.00-15.15 ○ Logistics and welcome

Nadim Ahmad, Deputy Director, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE), OECD

Tim Vorley, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Oxford Brookes Business School and PIN co-director, UK

15.15-16.05 ○ Labour markets, labour policies and skills development

Moderator: *Karen Maguire*, Head of Local Employment, Skills and Social Innovation Division, CFE, OECD

15.15-15.30 Presentation 1.1 *Ekkehard Ernst*, Chief Macroeconomist, ILO

15.30-15.45 Presentation 1.2 *Anne Green*, Professor of Regional Economic Development, University of Birmingham, UK

15.45-16.05 Roundtable and Q&A

16.05-16.15 ○ Break

16.15-17.05 ○ Innovation and systems approach to recovery

Moderator: *Marc Ventresca*, Associate Professor of Strategy and Innovation, Oxford University, UK

16.15-16.30 Presentation 2.1 *Jen Nelles*, Research Fellow, The University of Sheffield, UK; *Tim Vorley*, Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Oxford Brookes Business School and PIN co-director, UK; *Adam Brown*, Principal Consultant, Cambridge Econometrics, UK

16.30-16.45 Presentation 2.2 *Rudiger Ahrend*, Head of Economic Analysis, Statistics and Multi-Level Governance Section, CFE, OECD

16.45-17.05 Roundtable and Q&A

17.05-17.15 ○ Break

17.15-18.05 ○ Productivity “paradoxes” during and after COVID-19

Moderator: *Lord Jim O’Neill*, Economist and former Treasury Minister, UK

17.15-17.30 Presentation 3.1 *Igor Linkov*, Senior Science and Technology Manager, US Army Corps of Engineers and Adjunct Professor, Carnegie Mellon University, US; *Benjamin D. Trump*, Research Social Scientist, US Army Corps of Engineers

17.30-17.45 Presentation 3.2 *Philip McCann*, Chair in Urban and Regional Economics, The University of Sheffield and PIN co-director, UK

17.45-18.05 Roundtable and Q&A

18.05-18.15 ○ Closing remarks

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