

Workshop D – Western Europe: agglomeration economies in city-regions

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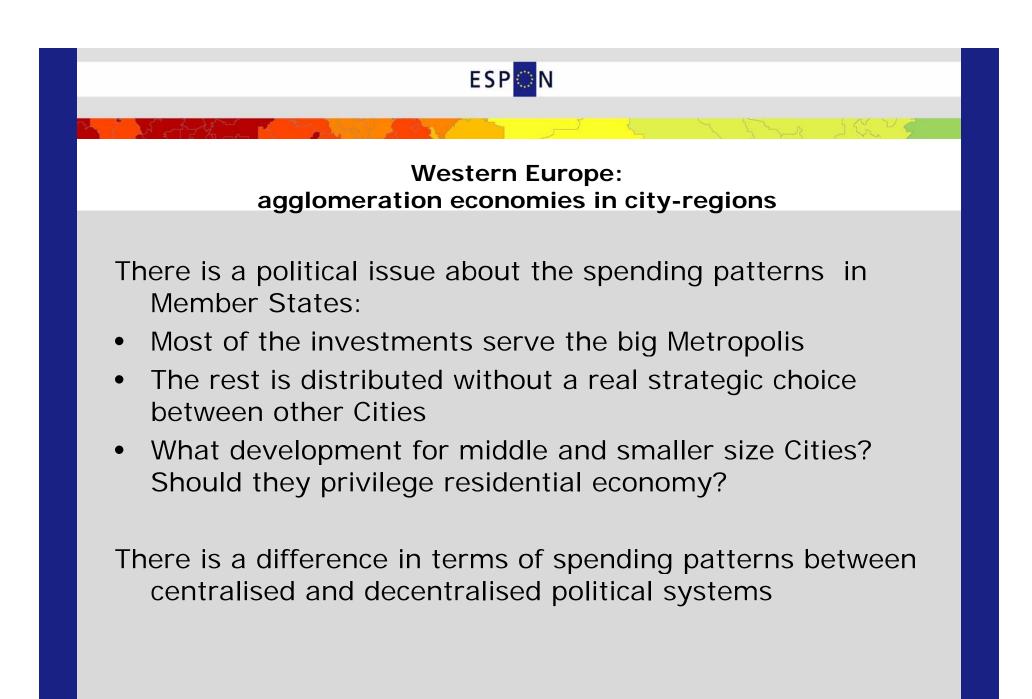
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- For connecting universities/research centres/enterprises
- For having a mass effect on economic development
- For making a strong economy
- Etc.



- Strengthening of the MEGAs (and Capital Cities among them)
- Infrastructure policies (e.g. transport) aim at that result
- But second rank Metropolis have the capacity to develop agglomeration economy too:
- They have already overcome their major handicaps (mono-functionality, etc.)
- They develop strategies based on their assets





- Although there is not a clear evidence of the link between the governance settings of the agglomeration and its economic development,
- many examples show that well organised governance systems (gathering local Authorities and favouring partnership) allow strong political decisions benefitting to the development of the whole agglomeration



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