

Special Issue

Economic Development of Rural Areas in Border Territories: Threats and Opportunities

Message from the Guest Editors

Border regions are defined as those where part of their territory is delimited by an international border. These regions often have lower levels of development and economic activity. This special issue aims to analyze the opportunities and threats facing rural and agricultural development strategies implemented in such areas.

Approaching this issue from an international perspective can be very enriching. Contributions which, from a broad perspective, analyse the influence of the border itself on the development strategies of the regions involved will also be welcome. Research lines: Comparison of rural and agricultural development strategies in border areas. Analysis of the relevance of the border issue for these strategies

Analysis of tourism development policies in these areas: border tourism, heritage tourism, tourism in natural areas.

Relevance of communication infrastructures in the economic development of border regions: impact analysis, feasibility studies, projects of international interest.

Singular Case Studies. Significant contributions of International Organisations to the economic development of these rural areas.

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