

**The 6<sup>th</sup> Research Area [X]  
'Knowledge, Networks and Regions'  
Workshop**

**Economics of knowledge creation and utilization in regions**

**1-2 October 2021**

**Department of Economics. University of Thessaly, Volos, Greece**

**On-site event**

(with a hybrid fallback option, participants will be informed about the type of event in 29 August 2021)

**Keynote speakers:**

**Cesar Hidalgo (University of Toulouse)**

**Volker Wulf (University of Siegen)**

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**Location**

All sessions to be held at Room B1, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Department of Economics

(<https://goo.gl/maps/oENt9kj71pXPfj46>)

## Program overview

Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
				9:00 – 10:00	Registration
				9:30 – 11:30	III. Session
		12:00 – 13:10	Registration	11:30 – 12:00	Short Break
		13:10 – 13:30	Welcome Address	12:00 – 13:00	Keynote Cesar Hidalgo
		13:30 – 15:00	I. Session	13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
		15:00 – 15:30	Coffee Break	14:00 – 15:30	IV. Session
		15:30 – 17:00	II. Session	15:30 – 16:00	Coffee Break
		17:00 – 17:30	Short break	16:00 – 17:30	V. Session
		17:30 – 18:30	Keynote Volker Wulff	17:30 – 18:00	Announcements and farewell
20:00	Coming together	19:30	Conference dinner	19:30	Optional dinner

## Detailed program

### Thursday, 30 September

8:00 pm Coming together – location to be announced

### Friday, 1 October

12.00 – 01.10 pm **Registration** – snacks and coffee

01.10 – 01.30 pm **Welcome address** (Yeoryios Stamboulis, local organizer)

01.30 – 03.00 pm **I. Session (Chair: Andreas Pyka)**

I.1 *Maria Tsouri*, Ron Boschma: “The importance of science for the development of new PV technologies in European regions”

I.2 Carolina Castaldi; *Kyriakos Drivas*: “Innovation and Regional Branching: A Comprehensive Exploration of Technological, Design and Market Activities”

I.3 *Matthias Müller*: “Knowledge Diffusion in innovation networks”

03.00 – 03.30 pm **Coffee break**

03.30– 05.00 pm **II. Session (Chair Claudius Gräbner)**

II.1 *Yeoryios Stamboulis*: “Understanding Knowledge as Club Good – a methodological invitation”

II.2 Paschalis Arvanitidis; *George Papagiannitsis*, Athina-Zoe Desli: “Knowledge and innovation through “commons” and informal education”

II.3 *Petros Dimas*, *D. Stamopoulos*, A. Tsakanikas “Knowledge creation and diffusion in production linkages: An empirical investigation on EU-based value chains”

05.00 – 05.30 pm **Short break**

05.30 – 06.30 pm **Keynote: Volker Wulf**: “Knowledge, Networks and Regional Context from a Socio-Informatics Perspective – Methods and Insights”

07.30 m **Conference Dinner: [AIΘPION DAY&NIGHT](#)**

**Saturday, 2. October**

- 09:00 – 10:00 am     **Registration**
- 09.30 – 11.30 am     **III. Session (Chair Yeoryios Stamboulis)**
- III.1 *Ioanna Kastelli; Petros Dimas*; Dimitrios Stamopoulos; Aggelos Tsakanikas:  
Upgrading in Global Value Chains: The contribution of knowledge based capital in the  
export sophistication of European Food Industries
- III.2 *Lea F. Stöber; Stephanie Lang*; Michael P. Schlaile; Andreas Pyka “Dedicated  
innovation systems: An analysis of characteristics, relationships, and prerequisites of  
actors enabling transformation towards sustainability”
- III.3 *Vetsikas Apostolos*; Yeoryios Stamboulis: “Dynamics of National Innovation  
Systems as a Nexus of Helices”
- III.4 *Philipp Köhn*; Giuseppe Strina: “Intrapreneurship and Regional Development –  
Insights from German Family Firms”
- 11:30 – 12:00 am     **Short break**
- 12.00 – 01.00 pm     **Keynote: Cesar Hidalgo:** “A decade of Economic Complexity”
- 01.00 – 02.00 pm     **Lunch** – Finger food at the conference venue
- 02.00 – 03.30 pm     **IV. Session (Chair Muhamed Kudic)**
- IV.1 *Claudius Gräbner*; Rita Strohmaier: “An input-output-based approach to  
economic complexity”
- IV.2 *Nico Vitt*; Volker Wulf “Participation as Innovation – Learnings from a research  
project focused on supporting SMEs in the digital transformation
- IV.3 *Michael Schlaile*; Veronica Hector; Luis Peters; Silja Graupe: Sensemaking for  
sustainability? Evidence from the “New Imaginative Economies” project
- 03.30 – 04.00 pm     **Coffee break**
- 04.00 – 05.30 pm     **V. Session (Chair Andreas Pyka)**
- V.1 *Simone M. Grabner*: “Interregional Input-Output Linkages as Drivers of Regional  
Diversification: Evidence from United States Counties”
- V.2 *Roland VonHorn*, Lars Hornuf; Muhamed Kudic: “Mapping Fintech Ecosystems in  
the DACH-Region”
- V.3 *Nikolaos Papaefstathiou*; Yeoryios Stamboulis “Knowledge Networks in fields of  
Disruptive Innovation”
- 05.30 – 06.00 pm     **Announcements and farewell address**
- 07:30 pm             Dinner: [Tsipouradiko "Stratos"](#) (optional, **not included in conference fee**)

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