Contributors

Tobias Arvemo, Department of Economics and IT, University West, Trollhättan, Sweden. He holds a PhD in Mathematical Statistics from Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg, Sweden.

Per Assmo, Department of Economics and IT, University West, Sweden. He holds a PhD in Economic Geography from Gothenburg University, Sweden and has had extensive experience of development work in southern Africa. Currently he is Associate Professor in Geography at University West, Sweden and a senior researcher at Linköping University; he also acts as a frequent visiting professor at Rhodes University, South Africa. His research focuses on regional development, time-geography, alternative economic development and local democracy.

Iréne Bernhard is a lecturer in the Department of Economics and IT, University West, Trollhättan, Sweden and PhD candidate at the Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Division of Urban and Regional Studies, Stockholm, Sweden. She holds an MSc diploma in Media and Communication Studies from Gothenburg University, Sweden. Her research focuses on local e-government and sustainable development. She also has extensive experience in applied organizational communication on research issues, among others as a coordinator for international research symposia.

Nunzia Carbonara, DIMEG, Politecnico di Bari, Bari, Italy. She received a Laurea degree in Electronic Engineering in 1995 and a PhD degree in Engineering of Advanced Production Systems in 2000 from the Polytechnic of Bari, Italy. She is now Assistant Professor at the Polytechnic of Bari, Italy. Her current research interests include geographical clusters, local development, innovation processes and firm networks. She is involved in many national and international research projects and associations, and has had papers published in national and international journals and in conference proceedings.

Marisa Cesário, Faculdade de Economia, Universidade do Algarve, Campus de Gambelas, Faro, Portugal. She holds a PhD in Economics and is Assistant Professor of Microeconomics and Regional Economics at
the University of Algarve, Portugal. She has been an integrated researcher at the Research Centre on Spatial and Organizational Dynamics (CIEO) since 2010. She has published scientific material related to globalization and regional development, and technological change and employment.

**Gary A.S. Cook** is Senior Lecturer in Applied Economics and Head of Economics, Finance and Accounting at the University of Liverpool, UK. He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Manchester, UK.

**José Luis Crespo-Espert**, Institute of Social and Economic Analysis (IAES), University of Alcala (Madrid), Spain.

**Leo Paul Dana**, Groupe Sup de Co Montpellier Business School, Montpellier Research in Management, France, on leave from the University of Canterbury in New Zealand, where he has been tenured since 1999. He has served on the faculties of McGill University and INSEAD. He earned BA and MBA degrees at McGill University, and a PhD from the Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales. He has published extensively in a variety of leading journals, including the *British Food Journal, Cornell Quarterly, Entrepreneurship: Theory & Practice, Journal of Small Business Management, Journal of World Business* and *Small Business Economics*.

**Soogwan Doh**, Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration, Catholic University of Daegu, South Korea.

**Antonio García-Tabuenca**, Institute of Social and Economic Analysis (IAES), University of Alcala (Madrid), Spain.

**Urban Gråsjö**, Department of Economics and IT, University West, Trollhättan, Sweden. He holds a PhD in Economics from Jönköping International Business School, Jönköping University, Sweden.

**Kingsley E. Haynes**, PhD Ruth D. and John T. Hazel MD Professor of Public Policy, School of Public Policy, George Mason University, Arlington, Virginia, USA.

**Dimitrios G. Ierapetritis**, University of Central Greece, Department of Regional Economic Development, Attica, Greece. He holds a PhD in Geography from the University of the Aegean, Greece, an MSc diploma in Economic Development from the University of Salford, UK and a BSc in Business Administration from the Athens University of Economics and Business, Greece. He teaches at the Department of Regional Economic Development of the University of Central Greece, as an external research fellow. He has also taught at the Department of Economic Sciences of the University of Peloponnese. He is a research fellow of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Centre of Athens University of Economics and Business.
and the Business Economics and Environmental Technology Lab at the Dimokrktion University of Thrace. He has published various papers in journals and conference proceedings on entrepreneurship, geography and regional development.

**Börje Johansson**, Professor of Economics (Analyses of Technological Development and International and Interregional Trade), Jönköping International Business School, Jönköping University, Sweden, and Director in the CESIS (Centre of Excellence for Science and Innovation Studies) at the Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden.

**Charlie Karlsson**, Professor of the Economics of Technological Change, Jönköping International Business School, Jönköping University, Sweden, Guest Professor of Economics, University West, Trollhättan, Sweden, and Professor of Industrial Economics and Organization, Blekinge Institute, Karlskrona, Sweden. President of the European Regional Science Association (ERSA).

**Dimitrios Lagos**, Associate Professor, Department of Business Administration, University of the Aegean, Greece. Scientific collaborator of the Technological Educational Institute of Chalkida. He holds a PhD in Tourism Regional Development from the Panteion University of Athens, Greece. He is the Dean of Business School and an Associate Professor of Tourism Economics and Tourist Business Management in the Department of Business Administration at the University of the Aegean, Greece. He is also the Director of the Interdepartmental Program of Postgraduate Studies in Tourism Planning, Management and Policy, University of the Aegean and an Adjunct Professor in the Postgraduate Program of Tourist Business Management, Department of Social Sciences of the Hellenic Open University. Dr Lagos has previously served as President of the Hellenic Regionalist Association. His areas of interest are regional tourism development, tourism economics, and economic impacts of tourism, tourism planning and special interest tourism.

**Helen Lawton Smith**, Professor of Entrepreneurship, Director, Centre for Innovation Management Research, Department of Management, Birkbeck, University of London, UK.

**Hans Lööf**, Professor/Director of Studies, The Royal Institute of Technology, Division of Economics, Stockholm, Sweden. His research interests are in organizing and carrying out studies of innovation systems with a specific focus on Sweden, with the aim to provide a deeper understanding of the interdependencies of innovations and economic development. Special attention is paid to how R&D influences economic growth.
Entrepreneurship, social capital and governance

Mitchell Morehart, Dr, USDA-Economic Research Service, Washington, DC, USA.

Kristina Nyström, Associate Professor, Division of Economics, Department of Industrial Economics and Management and CESIS (Centre of Excellence for Science and Innovation Studies) KTH, The Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden and The Ratio Institute, Stockholm, Sweden.

Federico Pablo-Martí, Institute of Social and Economic Analysis (IAES), University of Alcalá (Madrid), Spain.

Naresh R. Pandit, Professor, Norwich Business School, University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK and Chair of Management.

Haifeng Qian, PhD, Assistant Professor of Economic Development, Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs, Cleveland State University, Cleveland, OH, USA.

Jan Åge Riseth, Senior Research Scientist at Northern Research Institute, Tromsø, Norway. Research Scientist/Senior Research Scientist at Norut from 2002 to the present. Adjunct Senior Research Scientist at Sámi University College 2003–10. Most of his research is interdisciplinary and covers the fields of reindeer herd management, indigenous perspectives on protected areas, traditional ecological knowledge, impact assessment and climate change. His research interests include reindeer management, nature management and protection, sustainable resource use, modernization, climate change and traditional/indigenous knowledge.

Saverio Romeo, Research Fellow, Department of Management, Birkbeck, University of London, UK.

Peter L. Stenberg, Dr, USDA-Economic Research Service, Washington, DC, USA.

Sidney C. Turner, PhD candidate, School of Public Policy, George Mason University, Arlington, Virginia, USA.

Maria Teresa de Noronha Vaz, PhD in Economics. She is Professor of Economics of Innovation at the University of Algarve, Faro, Portugal and Visiting Professor at the University of Toronto. In the last decade she has been Invited Professor at the Université de Paris I – Sorbonne, University of Gent, University of Oriel and the University of Bologna. She has been President of the Research Centre on Spatial and Organizational Dynamics (CIEO) since 2007, and coordinator of several European, national and local founded projects. She has edited several books related to regional/
Contributors

rural development and published an extensive amount of scientific material related to regional economics, public policies and the use of instruments to implement innovation in lagging areas.

Hans Westlund, Professor of Regional Planning at KTH, Royal Institute of Technology, Stockholm, Sweden, Professor of Entrepreneurship at Jönköping International Business School, Jönköping, Sweden, and Professor at the Institute for Developmental and Strategic Analysis (IRSA), Ljubljana, Slovenia. He is President of the Western Regional Science Association 2013/14.

Elin Wihlborg, Associate Professor, Linköping University, Sweden. She holds a PhD in Technology and Social Change and a Master’s degree in Social Policy from London School of Economics. Currently she is Lecturer in Politics at Linköping University, Sweden and has a Marie Curie scholarship (2011–14). Her own research focuses on e-government, sustainable development and public administration. Her recent publications cover issues such as local crises management, co-production of local public services and policy entrepreneurs.

Edmund J. Zolnik, Assistant Professor, School of Public Policy, George Mason University, Arlington, VA, USA. His research interests include community/regional development, safe/sustainable transportation and multilevel modeling.