

Contributors

Wai-Mun Chia obtained her Bachelor's degree in economics from the University of London and then pursued her Master's degree at the London School of Economics (LSE) with scholarship. She received a PhD in economics from Nanyang Technological University (NTU) in Singapore and is currently Assistant Professor at NTU. She is an Assistant Editor for the *Singapore Economic Review*. Her research interests are international macroeconomics and economic integration in East Asia. She has numerous publications in international scientific journals.

Jongmin Choi is a doctoral student in the Department of Public Policy at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He received a Master's degree in public administration at Korea University. He has a keen interest in industry cluster, science and technology policy, and urban development.

Alexander Ebner is Professor of Political Economy and Economic Sociology as well as Director of the Schumpeter Center for Clusters, Innovation and Public Policy at Goethe University in Frankfurt am Main, Germany. Previously, he was an Associate Professor of Political Economy at Jacobs University Bremen. Previous research affiliations include the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies in Singapore. Alexander Ebner's research interests involve the matters of entrepreneurship, innovation, governance and regional economic development.

Sören Eriksson is a Professor of Economic Geography at Jönköping International Business School, Sweden. His research activities focus on technology diffusion, globalization processes, logistics issues and regional economic development. He is an authority on East and Southeast Asia's geography and an expert on the international aerospace industry. He has lectured, conducted seminars and been appointed as external reader and opponent of doctoral dissertations at a number of foreign universities and research establishments in Africa, Asia, Europe and North America.

Jun Koo is an Associate Professor in the Department of Public Administration at Korea University. He holds a doctorate degree in city and regional planning from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Before joining Korea University he worked for the World Bank and

taught at Cleveland State University. He has diverse research interests including innovation and entrepreneurship, industry cluster and urban development. His research has appeared in many major international journals on regional science, management and public administration.

Henning Kroll is an economic geographer and a researcher at the Fraunhofer Institute for Systems and Innovation Research in Karlsruhe, Germany. His research interests include the analysis of national and regional innovation systems in Germany, Europe and Asia, the development of regional innovation indicators, as well as the assessment of regional innovation and technology policies. Recently, he has been working on projects for the municipal governments in both Northern and Southern China.

Yanfei Li received his BA in economics from Peking University, China, and a PhD in economics from Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore. He is currently a Research Fellow at NTU, where he conducts research in economics of technological change and Asian economies, serving both academic and consulting constituents. He has several papers and book chapters published in Emerald and Elsevier journals and books and with Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA).

Bin Liang is currently a graduate student in the Department of Family and Consumer Studies at the University of Utah. Her research interests include globalization, housing, migration, urban planning, transportation and public health, with a regional focus on China and the United States.

Felix Haifeng Liao is currently a PhD candidate in the Department of Geography at the University of Utah. His research interests include economic/urban geography, regional development, globalization, industrial location, GIS and spatial statistics, with a regional focus on China and the United States.

Curt Nestor has a PhD in economic geography and is Senior Lecturer at the School of Business, Economics and Law at the University of Gothenburg, Sweden. His research interests and publications focus on Vietnamese economic development, trade and foreign investment flows, and regional economic integration.

Daniel Schiller is an economic geographer and a researcher at the Lower Saxony Institute for Economic Research (NIW) in Hannover, Germany. His research interests include knowledge-based regional development, institutions and governance, higher education systems and public finance, with a regional focus on Europe and Asia (especially Thailand and China).

Recently, he has been working on projects about the spatial and organizational transition of the electronics industry in Hong Kong and the Pearl River Delta.

Karen Zhihua Xu graduated from the Department of Urban Planning and Design of the University of Hong Kong. Her research interests include regional development in China, foreign investment, and the cooperation and interaction between Guangdong and Hong Kong. She is currently Assistant Director of the Advanced Institute for Contemporary China Studies, Hong Kong Baptist University.