

AGENDA OF THE SESSION

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14.00 14.30 General introduction of RISIS project and Cheetah dataset

We identified a policy relevant category of firms the Cheetah firms, or fast growing mid-sized firms which have received less attention so far. Cheetah is a database featuring geographical, industry and accounting information of European mid-sized firms that experienced fast growth during the periods 2008-2011, 2009-2012 and 2010-2013.

14.30 15.15 Main results from Cheetah dataset

Fast growing mid-sized firms are quite widespread but not evenly distributed across countries and within countries. These firms present different characteristics compared to the other medium-sized firms, in terms of firm size, sectoral specialization, and geographical localization.

15.15 15.45 Break

15.45 16.15 Fast growing mid-sized firms in EU regions

We relate economic, demographic, and knowledge-based regional factors to the emergence of clusters of fast growing mid-firms in Europe.

16.15 17.00 Future of RISIS and Cheetah and open discussions

Future developments of Cheetah dataset and integration in the RISIS data infrastructure. Open discussion on future avenues of collaborative research.

About RISIS:

The European Research Infrastructure for Science, technology and Innovation policy Studies (RISIS) aims at building a data and services infrastructure supporting the development of a new generation of analyses and indicators.

To develop a deeper understanding of knowledge dynamics and policy relevant evidence, the project goes beyond established quantitative indicators, developing positioning indicators, which take into account critical features of knowledge dynamics i.e. the importance of asymmetries in producers, in places and in themes.

RISIS2 datasets are built keeping information on these three dimensions. To exploit them, new services dealing with actor identification, geographical information and thematic foci are developed, as well as semantic analytical capabilities.

