

Warsaw Innovation and Regional Economics Conference (WIRE 2026)

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the upcoming **Warsaw Innovation and Regional Economics Conference (WIRE)** which will be held on 22 May 2026 (Friday) at the University of Warsaw.

We welcome submissions presenting both **empirical and theoretical research** in areas including (but not limited to):

- Innovation performance of firms.
- Creation and transfer of scientific and technological knowledge.
- Technological startups: formation, development and spatial patterns.
- Catching-up processes and technological convergence.
- Technological clusters.
- Regional innovation systems.
- Institutions and regional development.
- Innovation policy: regional and national dimensions.
- Innovation and international trade.

We also encourage proposals addressing **other topics related to innovation and technological progress**.

We are delighted to announce that **Professor Slavo Radosevic (University College London)** has accepted our invitation to deliver a keynote lecture.

Send your abstract to innovdev@wne.uw.edu.pl by 15 February 2026.

There is no conference fee. **Thanks to the support of the University of Warsaw, we are able to cover travel and accommodation costs for a limited number of participants.** If you would like to apply for this support, please indicate this in your submission.

The most original and innovative papers will be considered for publication in a Special Issue of *Papers in Regional Science* (<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/papers-in-regional-science>). In addition, selected contributions may be eligible for publication charge waivers.