

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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**Fields of Specialization:** Regional and Urban Economics, New Economic Geography, Applied Econometrics, Macro and Regional Economic Modeling

### Education, Scientific Degrees

- D.Sc.** (Doctor of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences) in Economics, Budapest, 2006  
Dissertation: Agglomeration, Technological Change and Economic Growth: The Macroeconomic Effects of the Geography of Research and Development
- Habilitation**, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Pécs, 2006
- Ph.D.** in Economics, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV, USA  
Dissertation: Regional Economic Effects of University Research: A Spatial Econometric Perspective. March, 1997 (Chair: Dr. Luc Anselin)
- University Doctor** in Economics, Janus Pannonius University, Pécs, Hungary  
Dissertation: The Newtonian Influence on Adam Smith's Economics.  
October, 1989 (Advisors: Dr. András Bródy, Dr. Aladár Madarász)
- M.A.** in Economics, Janus Pannonius University, Pécs, Hungary, 1983

### Current Affiliations

- Professor of Economics**, Department of Economics and Regional Studies, University of Pécs  
Pécs, Hungary
- Chair**, Department of Economics and Regional Studies, University of Pécs, Pécs, Hungary

### Past Positions

- National expert: **European Commission, Joint Research Centers, Institute for Prospective Technological Studies**, Sevilla, Spain (2008. February - August)
- Founding Director, **Center of Research in Economic Policy (GKK)**, Faculty of Business and Economics, University of Pécs, 2003-2007
- Founding Program Director, **International Ph.D. Program in Business Administration**.  
University of Pécs, Faculty of Business and Economics, 2001-2007
- Visiting Scholar, **CREUSET and Department of Economics, University of Saint-Etienne, Saint-Etienne**, Saint Etienne, France, June-July, 2005
- Visiting Scholar, **Max-Planck-Institute for Research into Economic Systems, Entrepreneurship, Growth and Public Policy**, Jena, 2004 June
- Senior Research Fellow, **Institute for Economic Geography, Regional Development and Environmental Management, Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration**, Vienna, Austria, November 1999 to February 2001
- Research Fellow, **Institute for Urban and Regional Research, Austrian Academy of Sciences**, Vienna, Austria, July 1998 to August 1999
- Research Assistant Professor, **Regional Research Institute, West Virginia University**, Morgantown, WV USA, April 1997 - June 1998
- Instructor, **Department of Economics, West Virginia University**, Morgantown, WV USA, Spring, 1998 and Summer, 1996  
[Classes taught: Principles of Microeconomics]
- Visiting Scholar, **The Institute of Public Policy, George Mason University**, Fairfax, VA USA, June 1997-August 1997
- Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant, **Regional Research Institute and Center for Business Research and Department of Economics, West Virginia University, Morgantown**, WV USA, August 1992 – March 1997
- University Assistant to Associate Professor, **Department of Economics, University of Pécs**, Pécs, Hungary, September 1983 – August 2006

[Classes taught: Principles and Intermediate Microeconomics and Macroeconomics,  
Comparative Economic Systems]

#### **Selected Services, Scholarly Honors and Awards**

**Project coordinator:** Ex-ante evaluation of the macroeconomic effects of the Hungarian National Development Plans, 2004-2006, 2007-20013

**Széchenyi István Scholarship** awarded by the Hungarian Ministry of Education, since 2001

**A. J. Dadisman Doctoral Award** to the outstanding full time Ph.D. candidate of the year in Economics by the College of Business and Economics, West Virginia University, 1996

**Baltic/East Central European Assistance Award** by NAFSA: Association of International Educators, 1992-1994

**Best Paper Presented at the 14<sup>th</sup> National Student Conference**, Budapest, 1982

**Member:** American Economic Association, Regional Science Association International, European Regional Science Association, Spatial Econometrics Association, Hungarian Regional Science Association (founding member), Hungarian Association for Economic Modeling, Hungarian Society of Economics (founding member)

**Referee for:** Acta Oeconomica, Annals of Regional Science, Canadian Journal of Economics, Central European Press, Contemporary Economic Policy, Dialog-Campus, Economic Development Quarterly, Economic Geography, Environment and Planning A, European Economic Review, European Planning Studies, Growth and Change, International Regional Science Review, Journal of Economic Geography, Journal of Regional Science, Journal of Small Business Management, Közgazdasági Szemle, The MIT Press, National Science Foundation (USA), OTKA, Papers in Regional Science, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Regional Studies, Research Policy, Review of Regional Studies, Small Business Economics, Scienze Regionali, Spatial Economic Analysis, Springer Verlag, Tijdschrift voor Economische en Sociale Geografie

**Organizer:** International workshop: “The Role of Research University in the Regional Economy” Regional Research Institute, West Virginia University, 1996  
Special Session on “Regional Innovation Systems”, 46<sup>th</sup> North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International November 11-14, 1999  
Montreal, Quebec, Canada  
International workshop on “Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Regional Economic Development” – Pécs, July 3-4, 2000  
Special Session on “External Economies” at the “Mandulavirágzás” conference, University of Pécs – Pécs, March 8, 2001  
International workshop: “Universities and Regional Economic Development”  
Center for Research in Economic Policy, University of Pécs, October 21-22, 2005

**Member of the Presidential Board:** Hungarian Regional Science Association  
Hungarian Society of Economics

**Member of European doctoral summer school committees:** DIMETIC, ESSID

**Member of international student exchange network committee:** NEURUS

**EOC and ERSAC member:** European Regional Science Association

**Editorial board member:** Regional Studies  
Entrepreneurship and Innovation  
New Economic Frontiers

**Scientific Advisor:** ECOLINE – A macroeconometric model of the Hungarian economy, Ecostat, Budapest, 1998-2004

**Chair:** Committee for developing the research strategy for the Faculty of Business and Economics at the University of Pécs, 2001

**Elected member:** College Council, College of Business and Economics, Janus Pannonius University, Pécs, Hungary, 1987-1990 and 2003-

**Research Interest:** the geography of innovation, regional innovation systems, agglomeration and growth, geographic macro and regional modeling, development policy impact analysis, applied spatial econometrics