



*TERRITORIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT DELLA COESIONE TERRITORIALE
DELLE REGIONI ITALIANE*

*Modello, su base place evidence, per la valutazione di policy rivolte allo sviluppo della
green economy in aree interne e periferie metropolitane*

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// Inner peripheries / internal areas

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definitions

- Inner peripherality may appear more frequently in rural areas that are “in the shadow” of larger metropolitan areas or separated from nearby rural centres by national borders. (ESPON GEOSPECS, 2013, p. 1).
- an area where the rural economy (agriculture and animal breeding) is not important enough for the area to be defined as “rural”, but where the population is not dense enough for it to be called “urban” (ESPON GEOSPECS, 2013, p. 6).

definitions

- areas with scarce economic potential which are “interstitial” to areas with high economic potential;
- areas with poor access to services of general interest, as a consequence of changes in the way the services are provided (e.g. privatization, reconfiguration of administrative powers, reduction in public spending etc.);
- areas with poor economic performance, excluded from the most relevant economic networks and that were not able to organize a functional proximity.

inner peripheries vs inner areas

| | inner areas | inner peripheries |
|---------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| delineation principle | based on threshold values | based on spatio-temporal changes |
| specificity | physical features (islands, mountains); settlement patterns; position within the national territory (borders) | based on socio-economic development |
| data used for delineation | distance; topography; functional distance | population and jobs |
| territorial context | “buffer zone” | “in the shadow” of metropolitan areas |



**trends in
inner
peripheries**

economic vulnerability

demographic change vs. residential attractiveness

accessibility and availability of services of general interest

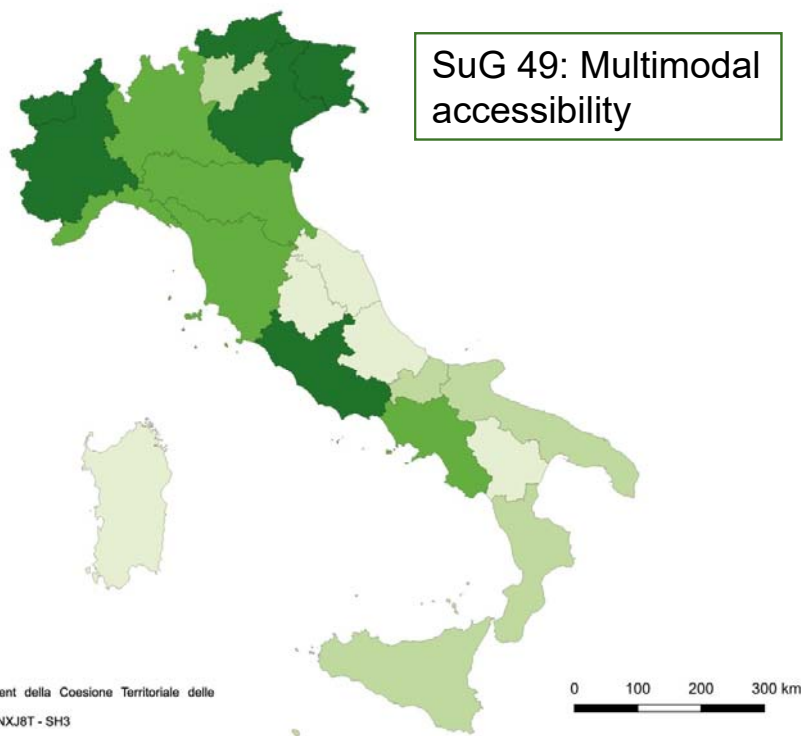
role of ICTs

exploitation of natural resources

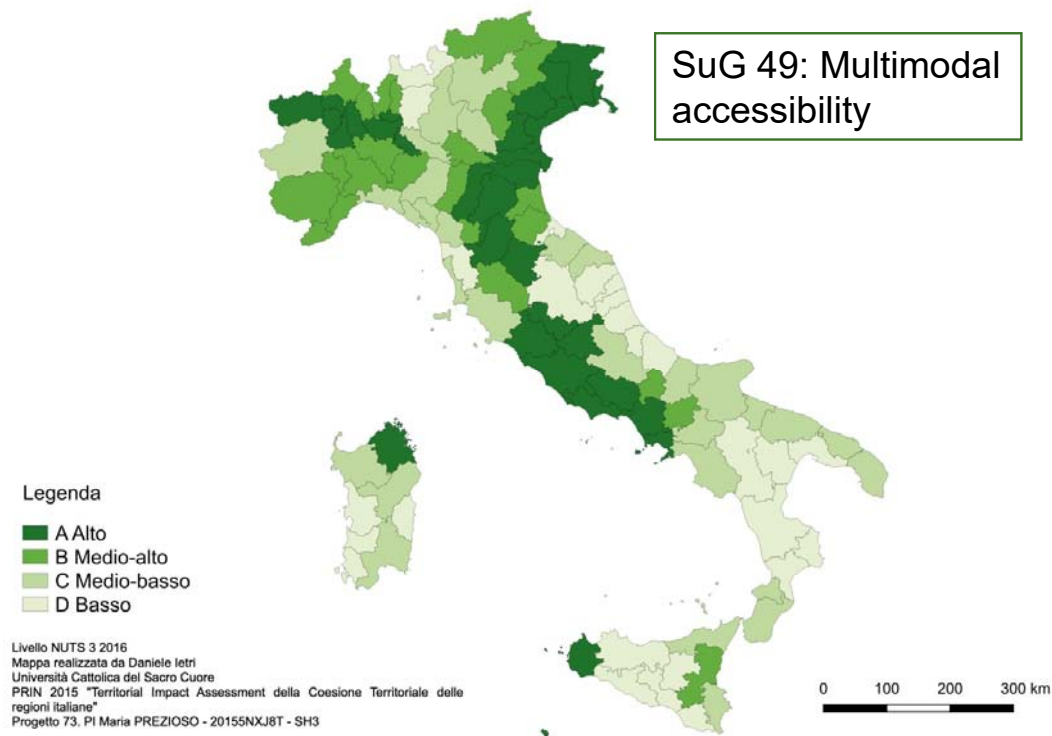
protected areas and biodiversity (as levers of development)

Maps: change in multimodal accessibility (2001-2014)

SuG 49: Multimodal accessibility



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Thank you

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