

# BIOGRAPHY OF THE EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBERS

<b>Name: Benedek József</b>	<b>Academic &amp; scientific degrees and the year of obtaining them (MSc, PhD, habil, DSc, etc.):</b> Geography PhD, 2000. External Member of the Hungarian Academy of Science, Section IX, 2010.
<b>Positions held (broken down by countries/regions):</b>	
<b>Country/region:</b>	<b>Position:</b>
United Kingdom	<i>Regional Studies Association</i> (RSA), Brighton, „Country Ambassador” of Romania
Hungary, Miskolc	Vice-president of the Doctoral Council, Faculty of Economics, Miskolc University
Hungary, Miskolc	President of the Habilitation Committee, Faculty of Economics, Miskolc University
Romania, Kolozsvár	Vice-president of the Regional Committee in Cluj of the MTA
Romania, Kolozsvár	Director of the Research Centre of Sustainable Development
<b>Scientific and professional field/Professional experience:</b>	
Urban Planning, Regional Science, Economic Geography Professional experience in the theory of regional economic development, in the field of regional inequalities and regional policy.	
<b>Honours and awards:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 2004: “<i>In hoc signo vinces</i>” prize of the National University Research Council (Bucharest, Romania).</li> <li>- 2004: “<i>Pro Geographia</i>”, prize of the Hungarian Geographical Society (Budapest, Hungary).</li> <li>- 2004: excellency prize of the Al. I. Cuza University (Iași, Romania).</li> <li>- Numerous other prizes for research excellence, institutional development of the BBU Cluj.</li> <li>- 2010: Lóczy Lajos medal, offered by the Hungarian Geographical Society.</li> <li>- 2018: Award of the Miskolc University for outstanding achievement in the development of the disciplines “Spatial Economics” and „Spatial Planning”.</li> </ul>	
<b>The most important publications from the last ten years (studies, books, book chapters etc.):</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. BENEDEK, J. (szerk.) (2011) <i>Románia. Tér, gazdaság, társadalom</i>. Nemzeti Kisebbségkutató Intézet, Kriterion Könyvkiadó, Kolozsvár.</li> <li>2. BENEDEK J. (2015) <i>A társadalom térbelisége és térszervezése. A romániai regionális egyenlőtlenségek társadalomföldrajzi vizsgálata</i>. Egyetemi Műhely Kiadó.</li> </ol>	

3. BENEDEK, J., KOCZISZKY, Gy. (2015) Paths of convergence and polarization in the Visegrád countries. In: Lang, T., Henn, S., Sgibnev, W., Ehrlich, K., (eds.): *Understanding Geographies of Polarization and Peripheralization. Perspectives from Eastern Europe and Beyond*. Palgrave/MacMillan, Basingstoke. 352 p., 217-234.
4. BENEDEK J. (2016) The role of urban growth poles in regional policy: the Romanian case. Special issue: Francesco Calabró and Lucia della Spina (eds.) *2nd International Symposium on New Metropolitan Perspectives - Strategic planning, spatial planning, economic programs and decision support tools, through the implementation of Horizon/Europe2020*. ISTH2020, Reggio Calabria (Italy), 18-20 May 2016. *Book series: Procedia-Social and Behavioral Sciences, Elsevier*, vol. 223, pp. 1-986, 285-290.
5. Bodocan, V., Benedek, J., Rusu, R. (2018) Twenty first century cities: from global challenges to local responses. In: Solarz Wojchich Marcin (ed.) *New geographies of the globalized world. Routledge Studies in Human Geography*, p. 77-92. 256 p. Routledge, New York.
6. TÖRÖK I., BENEDEK J. (2018) Spatial Patterns of Local Income Inequalities. *Journal of Settlements and Spatial Planning*. 9:2, 77-91.
7. BENEDEK J., SEBESTYÉN T., BARTÓK B. (2018) Evaluation of renewable energy sources in peripheral areas and renewable energy-based rural development. *Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews*, 90:7, 516-535.
8. Benedek J., Varvari Ş., Litan C. (2019) Chapter 8: Urban growth pole policy and regional development: old vine in new bottles? In: Lang, T., Görmar F. (ed.) *Regional and local development in times of polarization. Re-thinking spatial policies in Europe*, pp. 173-196 Palgrave/MacMillan, Basingstoke.
9. IVAN K., HOLOBĂCĂ I.H., BENEDEK J., TÖRÖK I. (2020) Potential of Night time lights to measure regional inequality. *Remote Sensing*, 12:1, 33,
10. BENEDEK J. (coord.) (2020) *Erdély. Tér, gazdaság, társadalom*. Kolozsvári Egyetemi Kiadó.

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