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Abstract

The development of Europe's economic territory today can be characterised as a process of metropolisation of economic development potentials and innovation capacities. "Metropolisation" is a paraphrase for the selective concentration of

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