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Propozycje tematów badawczych zgromadzone w trakcie krajowych konferencji i seminariów poświęconych Programowi ESPON. Poniższe tematy zostały zaproponowane przez przedstawicieli różnych instytucji badawczych i naukowych oraz praktyków, m.in. pracowników administracji publicznej. Tematy zostały uporządkowane przez Krajowy Punkt Kontaktowy ESPON i przekazane Jednostce Koordynującej ESPON.

1. Cooperation and competition within the European metropolitan network:
  - the role of metropolitan regions as drivers in creation of globally competitive European space;
  - flows and connections with the European metropolitan network: people, commodities, ideas, innovations, decisions;
  - metropolises and their hinterlands: functional cohesion or breaking links?
  
2. Spatial dimensions of demographic change:
  - migration flows: EU and the world, within EU and within the member states - their socio-economic and political consequences;
  - changing regional demographic structures and their impact on regional development (depopulation, ageing population, ethnic minorities etc.);
  - “brain drain” and “brain gain” - challenges for EU and national policies.
  
3. Territorial cohesion and transport and communication infrastructure
  - flows of people and goods and: European, national and regional dimensions;
  - flows and transportation infrastructure: identification of bottlenecks and rationalization of infrastructure creation;
  - social, economic and spatial dimensions of ICT
  
4. Social perception and creation of space:
  - spatial dimensions of social segregation (poverty and wealth; gated communities; ethnicity as a factors of spatial segregation)
  - perception and symbolism of space
  
5. Space and its institutions: comparative approach
  - systems of spatial planning
  - metropolitan management