

Review of: "Developments in Regional Inequality in Greece"

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I have outlined my suggestions in points. The topic addressed by the authors is interesting; however, it seems that some improvements are necessary.

- 1. I believe the data is lacking in the description of economic facts. The authors mention that Greece's economy has returned to a growth path, but no data is cited. What is the speed of this growth? Several statements are made without supporting statistical data.
- 2. There is no literature review section. Although this is not obligatory, the paper does not provide information about inequalities in other countries during COVID-19.
- 3. The authors state that they use several measures of inequality, but they do not present the structure of these measures. While these indices are widely known, it is standard practice to specify which measures of inequality are used to obtain the data for the analysis.
- 4. The authors discuss the relationship between regional inequalities and growth but provide no in-depth exploration of this relationship. It would be helpful to cite two or three studies that address this issue. Currently, the paper tracks inequality, but it does not provide econometric evidence on factors influencing regional stratification. For instance, economic growth rates might impact regional disparities, but this is not shown.
- 5. Finally, the analysis raises the question of implications for policymakers. If regional disparities increase during a crisis, should the government intervene to address this issue?

I acknowledge that these suggestions may extend beyond the scope of the paper, but the issue of inequality is complex and requires a more in-depth analysis whenever it is discussed.

Best regards,