

Is Regional Development Policy in Russia Effective? The Case of Special Economic Zones (Summary)

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The aim of the paper is to shed some light on the effectiveness of regional development policy in Russia. Particular attention is paid to the challenges and existing problems of special economic zones (SEZ). The results of the comparative analysis of different regional development policy instruments implemented in Russia, such as industrial parks, technological parks, industrial clusters, zones of territorial development (ZTR), territories of advanced socio-economic development (TOR) and free port of Vladivostok (FPV), reveal some important insights about the effectiveness of SEZ in particular and implications for the regional development policy of Russia as a whole.

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