



## Fields of research for MEO project

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In March 2009 we completed research of informational deficiencies concerning regional economy. The main purpose of the research was to determine future preferable fields of research which could be a starting point for further works of the Małopolska Economic Observatory.

The research covered two stages:

- identification of fields of research according to documents considered as key ones for economy of the Małopolska Region
- interviews with experts in regional economy

Research was followed by preparation of a list of most significant informational deficiencies:

SUGGESTED FIELDS OF RESEARCH	Significance
Exceptional properties of the Małopolska Region as determinants of the Małopolska Region development optimization - development opportunities and barriers.	14
Condition of micro, small, medium and large enterprises of the Małopolska Region in comparison to domestic economy.	14
Foreign investments in the Małopolska Region as indicator of economic development – monitoring.	10
Determinants of development and competitiveness of enterprises from the Małopolska Region with special attention paid to small and medium enterprises.	9
Scientific research vs. economic development of the Małopolska Region - barriers and opportunities of establishing mutual relations.	9
Institutional background and role of regulatory management in development of the Małopolska Region (friendly administration).	8
Application and availability of domestic and European public funds for development, competitiveness and innovativeness of enterprises.	8

Threats for enterprises from the Małopolska Region related to increase of crisis on global, European and domestic scale. Prevention of crisis-related threats.	7
Ecological aspects of development of enterprises from the Małopolska Region.	7
Research of innovativeness of enterprises, with special attention paid to small and medium enterprises.	5
Entrepreneurship on rural areas.	5
Grey zone and corruption as barriers in development of enterprises.	4
Opinions of entrepreneurs concerning terms and conditions of running a business activity.	4
Barometers of social feelings - monitoring of attitude towards setting up a business.	3
Human resources of the Małopolska Region and application of them for regional development.	3
Influence of legal infrastructure on economic development: taxation law, relations with ZUS (Social Insurance Institution), economic courts.	2
Dynamics of enterprises (registered out and newly registered) according to various criteria.	1