

RSM Winter School 2021 – Approaches

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## **Methods of policy analysis in territorial governance**

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The workshop discusses how different methods for policy analysis can be employed in the field of territorial governance and spatial planning. First, it conceptualizes a system of territorial governance and introduces the main theories of policy analysis, with a focus on their methodological aspects. Then, it guides students towards framing research projects that use policy analysis against the backdrop of a territorial governance system.

In brief, a system of territorial governance is an institutional technology, in which public policies are addressed to assign rights for the land use or development. A policy analysis approach in this respect can be a strategic research approach to go deeper in the understanding and exploration of decision-making processes, institutional reforms and social conflicts.

### Suggested Readings

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