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***“Spatial approach on conversion to organic farming:
regional dynamics in France ”***

Abstract:

We propose in this article an exploratory spatial analysis (ESDA) of conversion to organic farming (OF) in France since 1994. We mobilize individual data on support to farmers for conversion to OF, in its various historical implementations. First we build a longitudinal data set (1994-2009) on micro-territories (“c27” area), from which we highlight different regional and local typologies of OF support contracting evolution, in terms of intensity, concentration, agglomeration and contagion. Among the main results, we note that if the distribution of OF still has a heterogeneous pattern inter-and intra-regional, the general trend is towards the reduction of disparity between territories. Some possible explanations are foreseen, which require a more detailed analysis to be validated.