

Access to Credit and Economic Complexity: Evidence from Italian Provinces

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This paper focuses on the relationship between “urbanisation economies” and access to bank credit by assessing the role of urbanisation externalities in affecting the occurrence of credit crunch episodes. Using quarterly data on Italian provinces for the period 2008-2018 and adopting a dynamic (spatial) econometric approach provides robust evidence of an adverse effect of economic complexity on credit crunch. The estimation results also reveal the relevance of long-run spatial spillover effects.