TITLE: COMPILATION OF GREEK REGIONAL TOURIST SATELLITE ACCOUNTS BASED IN INPUT OUTPUT ANALYSIS

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ABSTRACT:

Internationally the tourist satellite accounts have been developed as a tool for measuring the tourist sector's product since this is not fixed as a separate branch in the national accounts. The OECD and the European Union have developed the theoretical frame and the methodology for compiling the relative satellite accounts. This article attempts an effort of compiling tourist satellite accounts at the regional level for the case of Greece. Firstly, from the Greek national input-output table for the year 2005 we will develop the corresponding input-output tables at the regional level. This will be done with the transformation of national coefficients factors to regional ones using the technique of adapting national coefficients with regard to the installation quotients of a region's branches. Then we will compile the Tourist Satellite Accounts based on the "European Implementation Manual on Tourism Satellite Accounts" for each region of Greece. Given that Greece is a country where the tourism constitutes a comparative advantage but also where a big inequality exists concerning the distribution and the production of domestic product among the regions, these accounts may allow us to deduce applicable conclusions on the economic policy.