

## **Biography: Professor Philip McCann**

Philip McCann holds *The University of Groningen Endowed Chair of Economic Geography*.

Philip is one of the world's most highly cited economic geographers and spatial economists of his generation. He is co-editor of *Papers in Regional Science*, co-editor of *Spatial Economic Analysis*, and Series Editor of the Edward Elgar book series *New Horizons in Regional Science*.

In 2002 Philip won the *Hewings Award* from the North American Regional Science Association, an academic body of over one thousand members. The award is for sustained outstanding scholarship by a scholar under the age of forty-five, and Philip was the first non-North American to win the award. In 2006 he won the *Moss Madden Memorial Medal* from the British and Irish Section of the Regional Science Association for the best paper published in the field, and in 2008 was elected as a Academician of the UK Academy of Social Sciences

Philip has previously taught at Cambridge University UK, University of Pennsylvania USA, the University of Reading UK, and the University of Waikato, NZ. He has also held Visiting Professorships at the University of Illinois USA, Bocconi University, Italy, Thammasat University, Thailand, and the University of Tsukuba, Japan.

Professor McCann was educated at Cambridge University, and subsequently during the last decade and a half has published some one hundred books, journal articles and book chapters, in a range of the economics, regional science, geography and engineering journals and volumes. Three of Professor McCann's books have been translated into other languages, and his 2001 Oxford University Textbook *Urban and Regional Economics* is internationally the best selling book in the field, being used in over twenty five countries.

In 2008 Philip McCann was an International Expert member of the Barca Commission convened by the European Commission to report on the future of EU Cohesion Policy.

Professor McCann is a frequent keynote speaker at international conferences and seminars, and has also acted as an advisor and consultant to the European Commission, OECD, UK Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), the UK Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM), The Group of Thirty USA, The New Zealand Treasury, NZ Ministry of Economic Development and the NZ Ministry of Foreign Affairs, plus a range of international public and private sector organizations.