

The Concept of the Human Geo-economic Location and its importance in Identifying the Structure and Functions of the Province and Its urban Centers: The Syrian Coastal Province as a Model

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Abstract

The Human Geo-economic site is considered the most important notions in economic geography. This site means the spatial relation between a specific area and valuable human, economic elements which lie beyond this area in its close and distant environment.

These elements can be seen in the location of the site in transportation networks and links, in addition to the location in terms of its natural and economic resources, industrial facilities, agricultural production areas, goods and services markets, and highly populated areas; Not to forget the location of the site in terms of world confliction, regions and centers of civilization.

These elements react together forming a system of vital spatial relations with negative and positive effects in forming the region and its environment. These elements also specify the importance of the human economic geographical site for the region and its cities. This importance is considered an active element in specifying the functional structure of the province site in the national economy for the country, and in specifying the ability of region and its urban centers to attract the inhabitants.

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The important influence of the human, economic, geographical site appears very clear in the Syrian coast region as an active element in specifying the spatial sectoral structure of the province and its touristic and industrial function. It this which specifies the region function in the Syrian national economy system, shares the development of the urban centers in the region(specially the cities) specifying their structures and functions.