

## **Professional Skills Needs in the Context of Regional Development**

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## Abstract

Regional development is a new concept that aims at stimulating and diversifying economic activities, encouraging private sector investments, contribute to reducing unemployment and eventually lead to an improvement in the living standards.

In the context of more frequent discussions on the concept of regional development in Romania and being very close to the territorial reorganization of our country in development regions corresponding to NUTS II level of the European Union, there is a need to achieve some form of improvement in regional development domain. Thus, in the summer of 2012, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova and Faculty of Sociology and Social Assistance, University of Bucharest conducted a study to identify professional competences necessary in the context of territorial reorganization of Romania. This article will make an exposure of opinion survey results carried out in 6 counties from Romania and also in Bucharest, in order to identify training courses in key areas of regional development.