

Former Agricultural Economics Faculty

Raymond Florax



Dr. Raymond Florax joined the department of Agricultural Economics as a faculty member in 2005; however, his tenure was cut short with his passing in March of 2017.

At Purdue, he was engaged in researching and teaching topics at the interface of economics, space, health and the environment, and he had an interest in developing and applying new statistical techniques for spatial data. He was also associated with the Department of Spatial Economics at the VU University in Amsterdam, where he had coordinated the department's MASTER-point research group engaged in research on meta-analysis in spatial, transport, and environmental economics.

Dr. Florax was a member of the Regional Science Association International where he was awarded a fellowship (2015) and served for 10 years as editor-in-chief of their flagship journal "Papers in Regional Science." He was a fellow of the Tinbergen Institute (2011), the Spatial Econometrics Association (2007), the Wageningen School of Social Sciences (2006) and formerly the Netherlands Network of Economics (2000).

Dr. Florax was awarded the European Investment Bank - European Prize in Regional Science (2014), the highest research award of the European Regional Science Association for life-long contributions to regional science and related spatial studies. He had extensive experience in teaching undergraduate and graduate classes and was a passionate advisor to numerous Master and Ph.D. students.