

# Contents

---

<i>List of contributors</i>	vii
<i>Preface</i>	ix
1 Introduction <i>Masatsugu Tsuji, Emanuele Giovannetti and Mitsuhiro Kagami</i>	1
PART I AGGLOMERATION IN ASIA	
2 The relationship between Toyota and its parts suppliers in the age of information and globalization: concentration versus dispersion <i>Masatsugu Tsuji</i>	9
3 Iron town cluster: Yawata, its glory, decline and rebirth <i>Mitsuhiro Kagami</i>	34
4 Information technology and economic growth: discovering the informational role of density <i>Takuo Imagawa</i>	63
5 Agglomeration of exporting firms in industrial zones in northern Vietnam: players and institutions <i>Akifumi Kuchiki</i>	97
6 Industrial agglomeration and regional growth in Korea: focusing on the software and IT service sector <i>Yasushi Ueki</i>	139
7 China's regional industrial disparity from the viewpoint of industrial agglomeration <i>Koichiro Kimura</i>	173
PART II AGGLOMERATION IN ITALY	
8 Italian comparative advantages, persistence and change in overall specialization <i>Luca De Benedictis</i>	205

9	Globalization, industrial districts and value chains <i>Roberta Rabellotti</i>	225
10	The competitive advantage of a region: industrial districts in Emilia-Romagna <i>Enrico Santarelli</i>	247
11	Where is the Internet? Agglomeration in space and cyberspace <i>Emanuele Giovannetti, Karsten Neuhoff and Giancarlo Spagnolo</i>	268
PART III AGGLOMERATION IN THE AMERICAS		
12	The software industry in North America: human capital, international migration and foreign trade <i>Andrew Schrank</i>	289
13	Mexico: the management revolution and the emergence of the software industry <i>Clemente Ruiz Durán</i>	312
PART IV CONCLUSION		
14	Conclusions <i>Masatsugu Tsuji, Mitsuhiro Kagami and Emanuele Giovannetti</i>	353
	<i>Index</i>	359