

摘 要

自一九六〇年以來，經濟學開始向政治、法律、社會等社會科學擴充，成果非常可觀。其中，又以「法律經濟學」的進展最引人注目。本文的分析闡明：法律經濟學的快速發展，和這兩個學科在研究主題和分析方法上的共通性有關。相形之下，因為研究主題和分析方法上的差別，經濟學和社會學、政治學、或其他社會科學的結合，就不太容易綻放出和法律經濟學一樣璀璨的花朵！

Abstract

The development of law and economics is a success story of the expansion of economics into other social sciences since the 1960s. The success has been attributed to the fact that economics offers a powerful set of analytical tools and a forceful theory of human behavior. But if this is the only reason, then the move of economics into other social sciences such as political science, sociology, etc. should have been equally successful. This, however, is not true. It is argued in this paper that the commonality between economics and law on the subject matter provides the additional explanatory factor. Moreover, the commonality between economics and law on the analytical approach is examined and the implications derived.