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| **3.10.2024** |
| 10.30-11.00  | Registration |
| 11.00-11.30  | Official opening of the ConferenceWelcoming speech of the Rector of University of National and World Economy |
| 11.30-12.45  | **PLENARY SESSION**Big conference room, UNWEModerator Assoc.prof. Dr. Hristina Harizanova-Bartos1. **Digitalization as a Tool for Risk Management in the Agricultural Sector,** Assoc.prof. Dr. Hristina Harizanova-Bartos, University of National and World Economy, Sofia Bulgaria
2. **Impact of the common agricultural policy funds on the development of the agricultural sector, case study Romania-Bulgaria,** Georgiana Raluca Ladaru,Mariarosaria Lombardi, Ionut Laurentiu Petre, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania , University of Foggia, Italy
3. **Regional differences of greenhouse gases from agricultural activities in Bulgaria**, [Prof. Marina Nikolova, PhD, Head Assist. Prof. Pavlin Pavlov, PhD](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5C%D0%AE%D0%BB%D0%B8%D1%8F%20%D0%94%D0%BE%D0%B9%D1%87%D0%B8%D0%BD%D0%BE%D0%B2%D0%B0%5CAppData%5CRoaming%5CMicrosoft%5CExcel%5C2024%20-%20%D1%81%D0%BF%D0%B8%D1%81%D1%8A%D0%BA%20%D0%B8%20%D0%B7%D0%B0%D0%B3%D0%BB%D0%B0%D0%B2%D0%B8%D1%8F%20%28version%201%29.xlsb#RANGE!D34), D. A. Tsenov Academy of Economics, Svishtov, Bulgaria
4. **Climate adaptation readiness of Bulgarian rural areas,** Assoc.prof. Dr. Yanka Kazakova-Mateva, University of National and World Economy, Sofia Bulgaria

DISCUSSION |
| 12.45-13.30  | **COFFEE BREAK**  |
| 13.30-15.15  | **First section**Big conference room, UNWE Moderator Assoc.prof. Dr. Mariya Peneva1. **Financial and credit support of sustainable development of agriculture in Ukraine: problems and ways to solve them,** Prof. DSc Igor Britchenko, University of National Education Commission, Krakow, Poland; DSc Olena Pimenowa, Bydgoszcz University of Science and Technology, Bydgoszcz, Prof. DSc Lubov Moldavan, Institute of Economics and Forecasting of National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine; Kyiv, Ukraine.
2. **Analysis of foreign trade with cereals in the European Union in the context of sustainable development,** PhD stud. Tudorache Claudiu, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania
3. **Agricultural productivity, inflation and farmers income: A Granger causality analysis**, Dr. Zisis C. Mandanas, Prof. Dr. Dimitrios P. Petropoulos, Ass. Professor Dr Nikolaos Apostolopoulos, School of Agriculture and Food Science, University of Peloponnese, Greece
4. **The competitiveness of bakery grain market in Romania and Bulgaria – a comparative analysis,** PhD Student Steliana, Mocanu, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania
5. **Farmers` portfolio diversification for income growth: a study on the municipalities of Dimal and Kucove,** Msc. Arlinda Hoti, Albanian School of Public Administration, Albania, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mariya Peneva, University of National and World Economy, Sofia Bulgaria
6. **A Theoretical Framework for Understanding Structural Changes and Development in the Agricultural Sector of Bulgaria**, Khulan Khurelbaatar, student, University of National and World Economy, Sofia Bulgaria

DISCUSSION |
| 13.30-15.15  | **Second section**Small conference room, UNWEModerator Prof. Dr. Zornitsa Stoyanova1. **Ecological risk assessment in Bulgaria,** Prof. Dr. Zornitsa Stoyanova, University of National and World Economy, Sofia Bulgaria
2. **Agricultural dynamics in the EU and the Raw Material Supercycle,**  George Guerov - PhD student, Ass. Prof. Dr. Nadezhda Blagoeva, Ass. Prof. Dr. Vanya Georgieva, University of Agriculture, Plovdiv, Bulgaria
3. **Comparative analysis of the advantages andlimitations of action-based and result-based agri-environment schemes,** Stanimira Dimitrova Dudova, PhD student, University of National and World Economy, Sofia Bulgaria
4. **Innovative livestock waste management practices**, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Petia Branzova, Chief Assist. Prof. Dr. Annie Dimitrova, Economic Research Institute at Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia, Bulgaria
5. **Consumer preferences for dried apples of cultivar Florina,** Chief assistant Dr. Monika Georgieva Kabadzhova, PhD, Assistant Dr. Nikolay Dimitrov, Institute of agriculture – Kyustendil, Agricultural Academy, Institute of Cryobiology and Food Technologies, Sifia, Bulgaria
6. **Transition to a sustainable blue economy – from a global framework to a national context,** Atanaska Nikolova, PhD Student, University of National and World Economy, Sofia Bulgaria

DISCUSSION  |
| 15.15-15.45 | **COFFEE BREAK** |
| 15.45-17.30  | **Third section**Big conference room, UNWE Moderator Assoc. Prof.. Dr. Yanka Kazakova1. **Steps towards sustainable rural development. A comparison between Bulgaria and Romania after 17 years in the EU,** Assistant Dr. Deaconeasa Maria Claudia, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania
2. **Competitiveness of Rural Areas: methods and approaches**, Assoc. Professor Dr. Yovka Petkova Bankova, Assoc. Professor Dr. Mariya Marinova Peneva, University of National and World Economy, Sofia Bulgaria
3. **Exploring rural community activism: rural women's circles in Poland**, Dr Barbara Kiełbasa, University of Agriculture in Kraków, Poland
4. **The evolution of associative forms in agriculture/fruit growing culture in Romania,** Phd. Nicoleta (Ilie) Marin, Phd.Raluca (Avram) Mitulescu, Phd. Eliza Gheorghe, Phd.Alexandra (Părnus) Rusu, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania
5. **The Role of Smart Agriculture in Empowering Women Farmers for Rural Development: A Case Study of Prishtina Municipality, Kosovo,** Sokol Sallahu PhD Student, Prof. Dr. Diana Kopeva, University of National and World Economy Prof. Dr. Ekrem Gjokaj, International Business College Mitrovica, Kosovo
6. **European and national policies for innovative and sustainable development of agriculture and rural area,** George Kyriakopoulos, University of Peloponnese, Greece

DISCUSSION |
| 15.45-17.30  | **Fourth section**Small conference room, UNWEModerator ass. Dr. Anton Blagoev1. **Some aspects of the change in the purpose of the measures and pastures in the Republic of Bulgaria**, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Valeri Velkovski, Higher School of Security and Economics- Plovdiv, Bulgaria.
2. **Scenario Analysis to Investigate the Effect of Implementing Compensatory Payments for Reducing Water Erosion in Bulgaria,** PhD Student Svetozar Ivanov, Prof. Dr. Dimitar Nikolov, Institute of Agrarian Economics, Sofia, Bulgaria
3. **Promoting sustainable agricultural practices in agriculture**, Chief Ass. Dr. Iliyana Krasteva, D. A. Tsenov Academy of Economics, Svishtov, Bulgaria
4. **Negative trends in the beekeeping sector**, Ass. Dr. Georgi Angelov, D. A. Tsenov Academy of Economics, Svishtov, Bulgaria
5. **Sludge from wastewater treatment plants in Bulgaria - waste or resource**, Liliya Ananieva, PhD Student, University of National and World Economy, Sofia, Bulgaria

DISCUSSION |
| 18.00 | **OFFICIAL DINNER** Studentski grad, Sofia |
| **4.10.2024** |
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 | 1. **Population in rural areas - twenty years of Polands membership in the EU**, Prof. DSc. Agnieszka Wrzochalska, Institute of Agricultural and Food Economy – National Research Institute, Warsaw, Poland.
2. **Demographic processes and their impact on rural areas: the example of the Southwest and South Central regions – Prof. DSc.** Julia Doitchinova, Prof. Dr. Albena Miteva, University of National and World Economy, Sofia, Bulgaria
3. **Family farms - a sustainable model for the development of rural areas -** Chief Assistant Dr. Daniela Tsvyatkova, Institute of Agrarian Economics, Sofia, Bulgaria

DISCUSSION  |
| 11.00 -12.00 | Closing of the conference |