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Agenda

Date and time of the event:

Tuesday, November 05th, 2024, 10:00 – 12:30 hours

Venue:

University of Forestry, Sofia

On the 05th of November 2024 a workshop for the local community was organized in the University of Forestry - Sofia, Bulgaria. It consisted of three lectures held by Krasimira Petkova, University of Forestry, Sofia, Zornitza Petrova, Dobrudja Agricultural Institute, General Toshevo and Jordanka Stancheva, University of Forestry, Sofia.

First lecture:

'AGFORWEB Agroforestry practices in West Balkan for sustainable development: weaknesses and strengths, Krasimira Petkova

The purpose of the lecture was to present the purpose of the project to the participants, its participants, its duration, the activities in the individual work packages and the results obtained in the different work packages. The duration of the lecture was 30 minutes.

Second lecture:

'History of the protective forest belts in Dobrudja', Zornitza Petrova.

The aim of the lecture was to present information about the history of protective forest belts in Dobrudja and the scientific research of the Dobrudja Agricultural Institute on the influence of protective forest belts on yields from agricultural crops. The duration of the lecture was 30 minutes

Third lecture:

'Agroforestry - the basis for the development of organic farming', Yordanka Stancheva

The aim of the lecture was to present the common features of agroforestry and organic farming with a view to the wider application of agroforestry for future sustainable land use. The duration of the lecture was 30 minutes.

Albena Simeonova - chairman of the Bulgarian Association of Organic Producers, member of the Board of the International Federation of Organic Agricultural Movements IFOAM EU and organic producer - took part in the discussion. She gave information about the Bulgarian organic producers; about their activities and the difficulties they face due to lower yields and insufficient funding from the state. Other issues related to organic farming were also discussed, as well as questions regarding the current state of the protective forest belts in Dobrudja and the prospects for their future development.

Within the framework of the seminar, a farmer's market was held in the yard of University of Forestry, where mostly organic producers presented their products. This initiative was met with great interest by lecturers, staff and students.



The workshop was attended by representatives of farms for organic agriculture, foundation of organic agriculture, Dobrudya Agricultural Institute in General Toshevo, lecturers and staff from University of Forestry, a total of 18 people of which 6 completed questionnaires for evaluation.

ATTENDANCE LIST

No.	Name	Organization
1.	Albena Simeonova	Bulgarian Association of Organic producers
2.	Elisaveta Tyndeva	Bloselena
3	Milen Stojanov	ASTRA – M Milen Stojanov ET
4.	Pepo Petrov	Foundation for the environment and agriculture
5	Simeon Spasov	Albena Simeonova EOOD
6	Zornitza Petrova	Dobrudja Agricultural Institute, General Toshevo
7.	Anton Tzvetanov	Dobrudja Agricultural Institute, General Toshevo
8.	Simeon Slavov	PhD student, University of Forestry
9.	Ljudmila Mladenova	University of Forestry
10	Yordanka Stancheva	University of Forestry
11	Milena Yordanova	University of Forestry
12	Marijan Bachvarova	University of Forestry
13	Tzvetomira Nikolova	University of Forestry
14	Plamen Alexnadrov	University of Forestry
15	Georgi Kostov	University of Forestry
16	Sonja Bencheva	University of Forestry
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