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### **Presentation 1**

**Title:** Changes in farms' structure in Latvia

**Speaker:** Hauka Agnese, Mg.oec., PhD student in Latvia University of Life Sciences and Technologies

**Annotation:** Development of agriculture is an essential topic for discussions in the sector as well as development of entrepreneurship in rural areas in all European countries. Common Agricultural policy has been implemented for many decades and its impact has been felt in Latvia already for 16 years. The objectives have been diverse but one of the main ones has been to strengthen farm development. However, statistical data show that the current agricultural policy of the EU and of Latvia has promoted development of large farms, but has not stopped the liquidation of small farms.

### **Presentation 2**

**Title:** Entrepreneurship of Latvia under the influence of Covid 19

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**Annotation:** The economy is a system and its development are continuously changing. If all components of the system develop evenly, then a pronounced linear growth of the whole system is formed. On the other hand, when components of the economic system have different growth rates, structural changes occur. The economy as a system of understanding and the process of changing this system has become an important object of scientific and political analysis, as ongoing climate change, technological innovation, and an ageing population have an important impact on the functioning of the national economy as a system. The authors' previous researches cover the process of economic system change over a longer period of time. This research paper summarises the results of the rapid changes in the structure of the economic system as a result of the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic in 2020.

The following tasks were set for the research: to describe the national economic system before COVID-19 pandemic in Latvia, to identify and assess the main features of changes in the national economic system during 2020 and to identify and assess the geographical location of structural changes in the country.

The obtained results indicate three main tendencies in the structure of the economic system.

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