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Presentation 1

Title: Strategic Stakeholder Engagement in Development Local Food Systems

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Annotation: EU institutions and the public are increasingly debating giving priority to regional and local food systems, short supply chains which create opportunities for a healthier lifestyle and the strengthening of the local economy. The aim of this research is to substantiate the model of strategic stakeholder involvement in the development of local food systems. The research analysed the development of the local food system, which creates the preconditions for defining its organisation, and identifying and analysing factors in stakeholders' behaviour. The results of an investigation into research by foreign and Lithuanian scientists, documents and empirical research were analysed. Organising the local food system means creating, exchanging, communicating and cooperating in a short food supply chain between food consumers and stakeholders (agricultural service providers, local government, governmental and non-governmental organisations, agricultural producers, caterers and processors). The aim is to promote a healthy lifestyle and environment, and to facilitate the cultivation, production, processing and marketing of local food products in a given geographical area. It has been established that the local food system is very diverse: households, agricultural and food producers, kindergartens, schools, hospitals, cafes, markets, food banks, food processing companies, community organisations, tourism firms, farmers' organisations, public health offices, and district municipal administrations. The potential areas of cooperation in the food system can be distinguished: accessing and sharing resources; improving operations; maintaining relations with consumers; and the sustainability and resilience of farms.

Presentation 2

Title: Possibilities for Advisors' in Accounting Work Efficiency Increase by ICT use

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<u>Annotation</u>: The scientific problem analysed by providing this investigation is search of the new concept of the work efficiency understanding in the process of transactions registration and accounting data processing using modern information and communication technologies (ICT). The aim of this investigation is to identify the factors, influencing the work efficiency of specialist in accounting and to estimate the changes of their work time structure due to modern ICT use at the Lithuanian Agriculture Advisory Service (LAAS).

The ICT use has great impact on duties are delegated to specialists of accounting not only in case they are responsible for data processing in enterprise they are employed, but and in case they are working in company, which provide the service of accounting data processing to the other enterprises of farmers. The presentation gets more light on: a) changes of the functions, specialist of accounting are responsible for, b) criteria has been used for evaluation of the quality of these specialists' work, c) new technical and software tools allowing increase the work efficiency of these specialists and d) changes of the advisors' work time structure at the LAAS.

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