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International Scientific Conference

CHALLENGES AND PERSPECTIVE OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION OF KOSOVA-ALBANIA AND THE REGION

PROGRAM

October 6-7, 2023, 10:00 Academy hall Prishtina

DAY ONE

Friday, October 6, 2023

09:15-10:00 Registration of conference participants

10:00-11:00 Plenary Session

Moderates:

Isa Mustafa, Anastas Angjeli, Justina Shiroka-Pula, Adrian Civici, Besnik Krasniqi

Opening of the conference by:

Acad. Justina Shiroka-Pula

Acad. Anastas Angjeli

Greetings from:

Acad. Mehmet Kraja, President of the Kosova Academy of Sciences and Arts of Kosova (KASA)

Acad. Skënder Gjinushi, President of the Academy of Sciences of Albania (ASA)

Arbërie Nagavci, Minister of the Education, Science, Technology and Innovation of Republic of Kosova

Jeton Shaqiri, Minister of the Education and Science of the Republic of North Macedonia

Qerim Qerimi, Rector "Hasan Prishtina" University of Prishtina

Ahmet Ismaili, Governor, The Central Bank of the Republic of Kosova

11:00-11:15 Coffee break in the lobby of the Academy

11:15-13:00 Plenary session Anastas Angjeli (moderator), Piroska Nagy-Mohácsi, Volker Treichel, Will Bartlett, Besnik Krasniqi

1. Piroska Nagy-Mohácsi, Keynote speaker *The great catch-up: central bank policy and communication in emerging markets, us and eurozone*

2. Volker Treichel, Keynote speaker Potential for intraregional /trade and integration: the case of Albania and Kosovo

- **3. Will Bartlett, Keynote speaker** *Regional economic cooperation and the free movement of people: Can it resolve skill shortages and skill mismatches in the Western Balkans*
- 4. Acad. Isa Mustafa, Keynote speaker
- **5.** Gent Sejko, Governor, Bank of Albania, Keynote speaker Prospects and challenges of monetary and financial development and economic integration for Kosovo-Albania economic cooperation in the framework of regional integration
- 6. Prof. Dr. Fatmir Besimi, Keynote speaker
- **7.** Acad. Anastas Angjeli, Keynote speaker Themes of economic cooperation between Albania and Kosovo

13:00-15:00 Lunch

15:00-17:00 Thematic Panel I – Academy Hall

Challenges of economic cooperation Albania, Kosovo and the region Adrian Civici (moderator), Muhamet Mustafa, Gazmend Qorraj

- **1.** Acad. Isa Mustafa, Dr. Sokol Havolli Challenges towards sustainable economic development
- **2.** Acad. Assoc. Adrian Civici, Acad. Assoc. Fatbardh Sallaku An analysis of the content, effects and issues of the bilateral agreements in the field of agriculture, food and rural development, signed between the republic of Albania and the republic of Kosovo in the period 2015-2023
- 3. Corresponding Member Prof. Dr. Besnik Krasniqi, Dr. Liridon Kryeziu, Prof. Assoc. Dr. Mehmet Bagis Assessing scientific performance in Western Balkans: potential for cooperation between Albania and Kosovo
- **4. Prof. Dr. Muhamet Mustafa, Dr. Alban Hashani** *Regional economic cooperation: opportunities for Albania and Kosovo*

- **5. Prof. Dr. Gazmend Qorraj** Collaboration between Albania and Kosovo in the context of the Western Balkans common regional market
- 6. Prof. Dr. Ardiana Gashi, Prof. Dr. Avdullah Hoti, Prof. Assoc. Dr. Esmeralda Shehaj Human capital and the needs of economy in Kosovo and Albania: benefits from establishment of 'Albanian higher education area'
- 7. **Prof. Dr. Valentin Toçi, Prof. Assoc. Dr. Petrit Gashi** Economic cooperation in light of political developments

15:00-17:00 Panel I/A: Hall (-1)

Challenges of economic cooperation Albania, Kosovo and the region Veland Ramadani (moderator), Skënder Uka, Musa Metë Rizaj

- 1. Acad. Neki Frashëri, Prof. Dr. Hajri Haska, Prof. Dr. Behxhet Mustafa, Eneida Haska PhD (c) Promotion and sustainable development of diverse forms of tourism in the Mountains of Sharr-Korab-Koritnik Region, as main premises for the social and economic development of this region
- **2. Prof. Assoc. Dr. Saimir Shatku, Prof. Dr. Endri Papajorgji** *The climate and the promotion of foreign investments in Kosovo, Albania, the region and beyond according to the economic diplomacy*
- **3. Prof. Dr. Veland Ramadani, Prof. Dr. Hyrije Abazi-Alili** Green entrepreneurship determinants and firm performance: the moderating effect of cooperation between companies from North Macedonia and Kosovo
- **4. Dr. Altin Tanku, Msc. Lorena Skufi, Msc. Esida Abazaj** Benefits and costs of economic and financial integration between the economies of Albania and Kosovo from the perspective of a CGE model
- **5. Prof. Dr. Klodiana Gorica** *The strategic approach to tourism in Albania in the context of the Western Balkans – Models for sustainable development*
- 6. Prof. Assoc. Dr. Nikollaq Pano, Jona Marashi PhD (c), Msc. Arben Shkodra Digitalization and innovation in Albanian bussinesses opportunities for export increase
- **7. Blerim Morina PhD (c)** Regional cooperation and trade liberalization in Western Balkans - Benefits and challenges of Kosovo - Albania in way of European Integration
- 17:00 Academy Hall Distribution of certificates, Panel I and I/A

DAY TWO Saturday, October 7, 2023

10:00-11:30 Panel II – Academy Hall

Challenges of energy development and cooperation Albania – Kosovo Jorgaq Kaçani (moderator), Abdylmenaf Bexheti, Linda Grapci-Kotori

1. Acad. Assoc. Rajmonda Bualoti, Acad. Jorgaq Kaçani, Prof. Dr. Marialis Çelo

An optimal development trend of generation and transmission capacities in order to meet the future demands for electric energy

2. Acad. Abdylmenaf Bexheti, Prof. Dr. Drita Konxheli, Dr. Uran Radoniqi

Green cross border interconnections: an opportunity for sustainable growth and climate neutrality

- **3. Dr. ing. Aldi Mucka, Dr. ing. Nike Shanku, Msc. Elio Voshtina,** *The most complete use of the electric power transmission systems through the control of power flows in the interconnected system between Albania and Kosovo*
- 4. Prof. Dr. Izet Ibrahimi, Acad. Justina Shiroka-Pula, Prof. Dr. Musa Metë Riza

The energy pathways in the Balkans and Kosovo at the crossroad of the regional integrations

5. Prof. Dr. Halil Ibrahimi, Prof. Dr. Linda Grapci-Kotori, *Identification of biodiversity areas and vulnerable species in freshwater ecosystems in the Balkans in order to protect natural resources*

10:00-11:30 Panel II/A - Hall (-1)

Challenges of energy development and cooperation Albania – Kosovo Dorina Kripa (moderator), Nikolin Pano, Drita Konxheli

- **1. Prof. Dr. Dorina Kripa** *Green financing in the economies of Albania and Kosovo*
- **2. Prof. Dr. Lindita Lati-Milo, Ardita Hykaj PhD (c)** Harmonization of the to competition rights in Albania and Kosovo and integration processes

- 3. Prof. Ass. Dr. Ujkan Bajra, Prof. Ass. Dr. Bashkim Mustafa, Prof. Assoc. Dr. Ejup Fejza The relationship between energy product prices and inflation in Western Balkan countries: empirical insights
- 4. Prof. Assoc. Dr. Bahri Prebreza, Dr. Nuri Berisha, Prof. Assoc. Dr. Bujar Krasniqi, Prof. Asoc. Dr. Xhevahir Bajrami, Msc. Mehmet Qela Challenges of electricity production from wind in Kosova and opportunities for prospective development
- 5. Acad. Justina Shiroka-Pula, Dr. Azem Rexhaj, Corresponding Member Prof. Dr. Besnik Krasniqi The cooperation between Kosovo and Albania in the exploitation of chromium mineral resources

11:30-11:45 Coffee break in the lobby of the Academy

11:45-12:15 Academy Hall -Distribution of certificates, Panel II and II/A

12:15-14:00 Panel III – Academy Hall Challenges of financial and commercial developments Albania - Kosovo Kozeta Sevrani (moderator), Muhamet Aliu, Greta Angjeli

1. Acad. Anastas Angjeli, Prof. Assoc. Dr. Orkida Ilollari, Dr. Jonida Këllezi

Challenges of fintech in western Balkan countries, opportunities and future prospects. Case of Easy Pay in Albania

- **2. Prof. Dr. Muhamet Aliu** Harmonization of curricula from the field of accounting, financial reporting and auditing in relation to international standards of accounting education: a comparative approach between Albania and Kosovo
- **3.** Acad. Assoc. Kozeta Sevrani, Prof. Dr. Greta Angjeli Regional universities collaboration on digitalisation and 4.0 industry, prospering the economic integration toward European Union
- **4. Prof. Assoc. Dr. Edlira Luci, Evisi Kopliku PhD (c)** *Regional financial cooperation on supporting access to finance of small and medium-sized enterprises (SME-s) as a means towards financial inclusion*
- **5. Prof. Assoc. Dr. Skënder Uku, Elona Shehu-Shahini PhD (c)** Assessing bank loans for agriculture in Albania and Kosovo

6. Prof. Assoc. Dr. Irma Tabaku, Eni Nasi PhD (c)

Comparative analysis of online consumer behavior of agricultural food products in Albania and Kosovo

12:15-14:00 Paneli III/A - Hall (-1)

Challenges of financial and commercial developments Albania - Kosovo

Edona Perjuci (moderator), Hysen Çela, Vlora Prenaj, Elita Çeku

- **1. Prof. Assoc. Dr. Adriatik Kotorri, Prof. Dr. Andri Koxhaj** *Telework - challenges, benefits, and the need for government regulation*
- **2. Prof. Ass. Dr. Edona Perjuci** *The regulatory framework of financial reporting and auditing - an overview from the countries of Southeast Europe*
- **3. Prof. Dr. Hysen Çela, Eros Angjeli PhD (c)** *Sustainability developments and challenges in esg reporting and assurance in Albania and Kosovo*
- **4.** Elita Çeku PhD (c) Economic Complementarities in real estate infrastructural developments – the impact of the construction and management process on sales comparative analysis between Pristina and Tirana
- 5. Prof. Assoc. Dr. Iliriana Miftari, Prof. Ass. Dr. Vlora Prena, Prof. Ass. Dr. Lekë Pula, Lindita Ibishi PhD (c) Evaluation of technical efficiency with a non-parametric approach for farms oriented to plant and animal production – evidence from Kosovo
- 6. Dr. Sami Behrami, Fadil Bajraktari PhD (c) Albania and Kosovo in Front of Challenges of Sustainable Demographic Development

14:00 Academy Hall- Distribution of certificates, Panel III and III/A

14:15 Conclusion of the conference

Acad. Justina Shiroka-Pula and Acac. Anastas Angjeli

14:30-15:30 Lunch

Each presenter has 15 minutes to present his/her work Articles must be submitted in electronic form and will be published in a separate volume during 2024

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