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on a dissertation for obtaining the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" in: field of higher education: 3. Social, economic and legal sciences, professional field: 3.8 Economics, scientific specialty: Organization and management (agriculture and subsectors).

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Dissertation topic: "Public Procurement Management as a Factor for the Development of the Agricultural Sector of Kosovo"

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1. Relevance of the problem.

The development of the public procurement system is one of the strategic priorities of the Government of the Republic of Kosovo, part of the national structural reforms, in the context of public administration reform. The need for its improvement is stated in the National Development Strategy and the Plan for Economic Reform and is a prerequisite for the process of European integration. Of great importance in the development are the issues of improving the public procurement management system, especially in terms of increasing the efficiency, transparency, accountability and professionalism of the staff responsible for the management of this system.

In this regard, I believe that the issues related to improving the management of public procurement are relevant in scientific and applied science.

2. Purpose, tasks, hypotheses and research methods.

The scientific objective of the study is to improve the management of the public procurement system by ensuring efficient, transparent and fair use of public funds, increasing the efficiency of the public procurement system and further harmonization with EU directives.

Six research questions, three hypotheses and eight sub-hypotheses were formulated. Quantitative and qualitative methods were mainly used to conduct the research.

The methodological tools are appropriately selected in accordance with the set goals.

3. Visualization and presentation of the obtained results.

The dissertation is properly structured and consists of an introduction, three chapters, a conclusion, literature and appendices. Contains 144 pages, used literature and appendices.

The results of the study are presented and illustrated with 25 figures and 82 tables.

4. Discussion of the results and used literature.

The introduction indicates the relevance of the topic, the purpose of the study, research questions, hypotheses, sources of information and research methods.

The first chapter clarifies the nature and importance of public procurement, defines the concept of "supply management" and analyzes the state of public procurement in Kosovo. Information on the research methodology is provided.

Chapter two contains an analysis of supply management in Kosovo. The results of the research are indicated and illustrated.

The third chapter shows the trends in the development of public procurement in Kosovo, and examines e-procurement.

The conclusion summarizes the results of the study. The recommendations for improving the management of public procurement are separated in a separate section.

The bibliography covers a significant number of sources from recent years, as well as a number of normative documents from ministries in Kosovo and the European Commission, which shows that the doctoral student is familiar with the current state of the research.

5. Contributions to the dissertation.

I accept the attached reference for the contributing ideas and solutions in the dissertation work with scientific and applied character. I appreciate the essential importance of the following:

- a conceptual framework for the evaluation of public procurement procedures in the agricultural sector in Kosovo has been developed;

- analyzed and assessed the impact of public procurement as a factor in the development of agriculture in Kosovo.

6. Critical remarks and questions.

The dissertation is a completed research. Critical remarks are of a recommendatory nature and in no way diminish the scientific value of the development. They are the following:

1. Formulation of the subject and object of the scientific research.

2. Indication of the author's position in clarifying the nature and significance of public procurement.

3. Systematization of the problems in the management of the public procurements.

4. Formulation of the recommendations for improvement of the public procurements in managerial aspect, in accordance with the topic of the dissertation.

Published articles and citations.

Four scientific publications on the topic of the dissertation are presented. Two of them are co-authored and two - independent.

The presented abstract objectively reflects the structure and content of the dissertation.

CONCLUSION:

Based on the different research methods learned and applied by the doctoral student, the correctly performed experiments, the summaries and conclusions made, I believe that the presented dissertation meets the requirements of ZRASRB and the Regulations of the Agricultural University for its application, which gives me reason to evaluate it POSITIVE.

I would like to suggest to the esteemed Scientific Jury that it also votes in favor and award Xave Tahir Chiari the educational and scientific degree of "Doctor" in the scientific specialty Organization and Management (Agriculture and Subsectors).

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