

## EVALUATION OF THE TRANSCARPATHIAN REGION'S AGRICULTURAL SECTOR DEVELOPMENT IN TERMS OF RISKS

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Article considers the peculiarities of national agricultural policy. The current state of development of the agricultural sector in the Transcarpathian region is analyzed, the urgency of farming sector development to improve the socio-economic development of rural areas and the need to attract foreign direct investment for sustainable development of the agricultural sector of the region are grounded.

Normal functioning of the entire economy and people's welfare depends on the development of the agricultural sector. In terms of risks, agricultural sector is characterized by a specific relationships occurring on the appropriation and use of land as the main factor of production, which, in turn, distinguishes the agricultural sector from the economic sectors.

The most important difference of agricultural production in Transcarpathia is the

dominance of the rural population in the total population of the region, which, according to the State Statistics Service of Ukraine is 63% (31.9% in Ukraine); land transformation to the private sector, so that the area of land use in this category of producers have increased in several times; limitation of agricultural land. The region remains least provided with land resources for agricultural purposes and in per capita there are 0.32 hectares of farmland.

In terms of restructuring the regional economy, an acute problem is insufficient development of the agricultural sector and the need for large foreign investments in agriculture. In foreign direct investments attracting, solving of structural transformation problems, the development of import substitution industries and gradual increase of export potential are possible.