

INVESTIGATION OF PROBLEMS OF COOPERATION DEVELOPMENT IN THE ORGANIC AGRICULTURAL MARKET IN UKRAINE

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The cooperative form of association enables farmers and private peasant farms to compete with large agricultural companies in tough economic and political conditions. This is especially true for small-scale producers of organic products, which are combined to establish constant sales of their products in the domestic market. However, for the time being, there are some socio-economic problems that hamper the rapid development of such cooperation.

In the article, the results of the research on problems of development of cooperation in the market of organic production in Ukraine are given. A preliminary study of the state of modern production of organic agricultural products is made, the tendencies of the domestic market of organic products are considered, and the state of development of agricultural serving cooperation in Ukraine is studied.

Based on the results of the studies, the following conclusions are drawn. In Ukraine, there is a tendency to increase the number of organic certified farms and expand the area of agricultural land suitable for the production of such products. At the same time, the domestic market of organic products is

underdeveloped. Its main characteristics are the lack of a sufficient number of certified warehouses, processing enterprises, as well as intermediary structures, which in general complicate the organization of harvesting, processing, and supply of organic products. In addition, small-scale producers with their own products remain outside the main supply-and-supply chains of commodity deliveries in the domestic market.

The main reasons restraining the development of agricultural service cooperatives are: the lack of local placement of small-scale producers of homogeneous types of organic products; non-understanding of the essence of agricultural serving cooperatives; lack of sufficient financial security to create an adequate material and technical base.

Therefore, in the future, the promising direction of organic market development is the creation of agricultural serving cooperatives, which will unite organic small-scale farms. That is why, in further scientific research, it is necessary to consider the models of the functioning of such cooperatives, taking into account the local resource provision of rural areas.