Title: Seminar invitation from the Nordic Association of Agricultural Science (NJF)

Dear colleagues,

On the proposal of our colleague Jarkko Niemi and with the approval of the board of the Economic section of Nordic Association of Agricultural Science (NJF), we are starting to organise virtual seminars, during which the research results of NJF members in the field of agricultural economics and rural development will be shared and discussed.

Online seminars are scheduled to take place regularly once a month, typically on the last Wednesday of each month from 13:00 to 14:30 Eastern European Time (12:00 to 13:30 Central European Time). During each seminar, two presentations (15-20 minutes per presentation) followed by a discussion (about 15 minutes) on the topic of each presentation. The total duration of each seminar will be maximum an hour and half. The topics and speakers will vary from seminar to seminar and we invite scientists in Nordic and Baltic countries to propose topics for the future seminars. The seminars will be held in English.

NJF is an organization which promotes Nordic and Baltic interaction in research, education, extension, administration or other public or private services in the agricultural sector. The economics section of NJF aims to enhance the scientific knowledge, research cooperation, exchange of ideas and experiences among agricultural economists in the fields of micro- and macroeconomics, food economics, resource and environmental economics and rural economic development. We believe that these seminars will allow us to learn more about research carried out in the Nordic and Baltic countries and allows researchers and other agri-food and rural sector experts to establish new profession contacts as well as initiate new research collaborations. We expect that these seminars will make a significant contribution to NJF members and strengthen the importance and visibility of Nordic and Baltic research. Please consider also joining the NJF as a member on our website: http://www.nordicagriculture.eu/

We invite you to attend the first seminar on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 13:00 Eastern European time (12:00 Central European time). The programme of the first seminar and instructions on how to join the event are provided below. Please feel free to share this message with your colleagues and other persons potentially interested in participating the seminar.

Kind regards,

NJF Economics Section

How to join the seminar?

A brief instruction on downloading, installing and connecting to the virtual seminar environment using Adobe Connect software is attached to this letter. The video conference link is <a href="https://ac.vdu.lt/vk1">https://ac.vdu.lt/vk1</a>

The access to this virtual environment will be available approximately at 11:45, so, participants are welcome to join and check possibility to communicate few minutes before the seminar.