

Topics could be included into programme of seminar on 3rd of June 2020 (draft)

Title: From small to large pastures - improved profitability in Swedish suckler-based beef production.

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Annotation: A scattered structure of small pastures has negative effects on profitability in beef enterprises because small enclosures result in high labor costs per livestock unit. Moreover, larger enterprises distribute the costs across more livestock units and hence achieve lower operating costs. Creating larger coherent pastures makes it easier to increase herd size and yields positive effects due to economies of scale. This study on five Swedish organic cow-calf enterprises examined how profitability is affected by creating larger pastures from small scattered pastures and adjacent forest land.

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Title: SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC GROWTH IN BALTIC AND NORDIC COUNTRIES

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Overview: Current global economic changes, Paris Agreement, United Nation's Environment program defined 17 sustainable development growth goals calls for empirical assessment. In the presentation are evaluated key macroeconomic and financial system indicators against the main required indicators by UN SDG goal eight: decent work and economic growth. Regression and correlation analysis was performed in order to determine current and historical development trends in three Nordic (Finland, Sweden and Denmark) and Baltic States (Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania), as well as how comparable are their results when evaluating against main UN indicators for sustainable economic development goal eight.

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