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AGENDA & PARALLEL SESSIONS
RECTORATE BUILDING (Room A3)

OPENING SESSION: DAY 1 – FRIDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2021

	Registration	09.30 – 10.00
Welcoming and opening speech	Rector of the University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakuqi”, Prof. Dr. Suzana GOLEMI	10:00 – 10:20
Welcoming and key messages	Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Mrs. Frida KRIFCA	10:20 – 10:40
Welcoming and key messages	Mayor of Shkodra, Mrs. Voltana ADEMI	10: 40 – 11:00
Key note speaker Prof. Assoc. Letizia BINDI – Università degli Studi del Molise	“Shepherds are guardians of the future. Biocultural heritage, environmental and social frictions, and sustainable regenerations”	11: 00 – 11:30
Keynote speaker Prof. Dr. Ardian MARASHI, Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales, Paris	“Pastoral culture among Albanians”	11:30 – 12:00
Martine WOLFF, Ethnologist/Anthropologist Student researcher, University INALCO Paris France; University Shkodra external research student	Photo Exhibition “Pastoral Life in the Albanian Alps”	12:00 – 13:00
	Buffet & Coffee Break	12:00 – 13:00

End of Opening Session



**PARALLEL SESSIONS AND PANNELS - RECTORATE BUILDING (Room A3)
DAY 1 – FRIDAY, 10 DECEMBER 2021**

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Panel 1: Transhumance, natural and cultural heritage (Online) (13:00 – 14:30)

Chairs: Dr. Bresena Koplaku & MSc. Erard Çurçija

Dr. MSc, DMV, frvcs Sidibe Mamadou & Dr. (Cand.),Martine Wolff, Ethnologist/Anthropologist Student researcher, University INALCO Paris France; University Shkoder external research student; dori.sidibe@gmail.com

Safeguarding and strengthening transhumance in Kelmend

Assistant Prof. Sebastiano Mannia, Università degli Studi di Palermo
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The new paths of transhumance in Sardinia

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Valorizing pastoralism and transhumance in Greece

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Policies and practices in Mediterranean pastoralism

Dr. Francesca Haas, Sapienza - University of Rome
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Private struggle and social conflict. An intimate and public photo-story of the utmost Albanian shepherds.

Dr. Vedran Obućina, University of Regensburg
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Invention of tradition: transhumance in the rural tourism in Croatia

Coffee break

14:30 – 15:00

Panel 2: Transhumance (In person) (15:00 – 16:30)

Chair: Prof. Assoc. Tahir Latifi

Dr. Shahid Iqbal Choudhary, Indian Administrative Service / Secretary, Tribal Affairs Department and CEO Mission Youth, J&K Govt. India
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Transhumant tribal population in Jammu and Kashmir: Survey of socio-economic and cultural practices for 'welfare and developmental resource planning'

Prof. Assoc. Tahir Latifi, University of Prishtina "Hasan Prishtina"
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Transhumance in Dukagjini plateau in Kosovo: the view from economic aspects and mountain tourism

Dr. Rezearta Murati, & MSc. Arjola Llesha
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The spirit of the mountains reflected in phraseology and paremiology



Prof. Dr. Zef Gjeta, Prof. Dr. Agim Pepkolaj, Prof. Dr. Luigj Turmalaj, Prof. Dr. Alfred Haxhari, IRGJB; FAO, Zyra Shqipëri, Agricultural University of Tirana, PIKA, Shkodër;
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A cost analyses of the cost of shepherds (çoban) at the tranhumans period – Albanian Alps

Prof. Dr. Luigj Turmalaj, Dr. Gerald Muça, Agricultural University of Tirana, and Prof. Dr. Zef Gjeta, IRGJB
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Preparing the sheep for the breeding season

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Transhumant Shepherding on Shara Mountain: Preservation of Natural and Cultural Heritage and Sustainable Rural Development in the Context of a National Park

Dr. (Cand.) Martine Wolff, Ethnologist/Anthropologist Student researcher, University INALCO Paris France; University Shkoder external research student;
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Vulnerability and resilience towards a sustainable development. Transhumance in Albania, an ecocultural heritage confronted to globality

End of Day 1



**PARALLEL SESSIONS AND PANNELS – FACULTY OF ECONOMY
DAY 2 – SATURDAY, 11 DECEMBER 2021**

**Focus group meeting: (In person) (09:00 – 10:00) (Room A1)
Moderated: Prof. Dr. Zef Gjeta**

Open discussion with a group of shepherds Being a shepherd, a farmer or entrepreneur in the agricultural sector - challenges and choices

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Panel 3: Languages, education, and wellbeing (Hybrid) (10:00 – 14:30)

Chairs: Prof. Assoc. Rrezarta Dracini & Dr. Zamira Shkreli

Prof. Assoc. Rrezarta Dracini, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” rrezarta.dracini@unishk.edu.al	Transhumance in the language of northern Albania’ authors.
Dr. Karmen Lazri & Dr. Zamira Shkreli, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” zamira.shkreli@unishk.edu.al	The way of terminology formation in the Albanian language before the Second World War
Dr. Anisa Kosteri and Doc. Bora Logu, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakuqi” anisa.kosteri@unishk.edu.al	The elaborated dictionary of the Albanian language by At Benedikt Dema
Dr. Arlinda Hallunovi Ymeri & Dr. Eranda Halluni Bilali, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” arlinda.ymeri@unishk.edu.al	Mountain tourism and its impact on human mental health (On-line presentation)
Dr. Merita Hysa, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakuqi” merita.hysa@unishk.edu.al	Socio-cultural aspects of gender identity within the Transhumance concept

Coffee break

11:30 – 12:00

Dr. Elona Hasmuajaj, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” elona.hasmuajaj@unishk.edu.al	Loneliness and anxiety during the covid-19 pandemic among students of university of Shkoder
Dr. Rina Muka Gera & Dr. Pranvera Kraja, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” rina.muka@unishk.edu.al	Students' perception on teaching quality in primary school practices
Doc. Proc/MSc. Suela Ndoja, MSc. Angjela Zeneli, & MSc. Stefan Paloka, Caritas, Albania, sundoprospe@gmail.com	Making the future of work inclusive of people with disabilities: A.C.C.E.N.T project as an action approach
Dr. Migena Kecaj & Dr. Andi Hila, migena.selcetaj@unishk.edu.al	Children Cognitive assessment using Draw-A-Person-Test



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Panel 4: Socio-economic aspects of rural development (In person) (10:00 – 14:30) Chairs: Prof. Assoc. Drini Imami & Prof. Assoc. Edvin Zhllima	
Dr. Irena Gjika, Technical University of Cartagena irenagjika2012@gmail.com	Why tobacco farmers continue to grow tobacco? – a literature review
Prof. Dr. Zef Gjeta, Agim Pepkolaj, Prof. Dr. Luigj Turmalaj, Prof. Dr. Sokrat Jani zgjeta@gmail.com	For a sustainable development of livestock in the areas of Northern Albania
Dr. Orjon Xhoxhi, Agricultural University of Tirana oxhoxhi@ubt.edu.al	Intermediary power and value chain organization
MSc. Denada Hafizi Bushi, Banka Kombetare Tregtare & Dr. Nevila Kiri, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakuqi” kiri.nevila@gmail.com	The impact of covid-19 on agricultural loans in Albania
Prof. Assoc. Drini Imami, Dr. Orjon Xhoxhi, Prof. Assoc. Edvin Zhllima, Prof. Dr. Engjell Skreli, Agricultural University of Tirana dimami@ubt.edu.al	Between climate change and covid-19 impact – the case of citrus sector in Albania
Coffee break 11:30 – 12:00	
Dr. Aurora Hoxha, Dr. Edmira Ozuni, Agricultural University of Tirana, & Dr. Ekrem Hoxha, University “Ukshin Hoti” Prizren ahoxha@ubt.edu.al	Farmers’ financial education key determinant factors – the case of vegetable sector in Kosovo
Dr. Elvisa Drishti, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakuqi” elvisa.drishti@unishk.edu.al	Inequality of opportunities and perceptions about redistribution – the great urban-rural divide
Dr. Gentjan Mehmeti & Prof. Assoc. Edvin Zhllima, Agricultural University of Tirana gmehmeti@ubt.edu.al	Perception of risk to health and food safety in meat value chain
Prof. Assoc. Edvin Zhllima, Dr. Orjon Xhoxhi, Prof. Dr. Engjell Skreli, & Prof. Assoc. Drini Imami, Agricultural University of Tirana ezhllima@ubt.edu.al	Willingness to pay for market information – the case of farmers in Albania
Prof. Dr. Xhelil Koleci, Prof. Dr. Luigj Turmalaj, Prof. Dr. Zef Gjeta, Dr. Gerald Muça, Agricultural University of Tirana, Ruzhdi Keçi; zgjeta@gmail.com	Main veterinary measures for small livestock during migration



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Panel 5: Rural development and sustainability (In person) (10:00 – 14:30) Chairs: Prof. Assoc. Nevila Dibra & Dr. Aurora Dibra	
Dr. Flora Gjoni & Dr. Bresena Kopliku, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” bresena.kopliku@unishk.edu.al	The natural factors influencing transhumance and its role in shaping seasonal settlements in North Albania
Prof. Assoc. Ardita Boriçi & Alba Kruja, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” ardita.borici@unishk.edu.al	Rural development and poverty – evidence from Albania
Dr. Aurora Dibra, Prof. Assoc. Rrok Smajlaj, & Prof. Assoc. Marash Rakaj, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” aurora.dibra@unishk.edu.al	Biodiversity conservation as a tool for sustainable development in North Albania
Dr. Dritan Rustja, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” dritan.rustja@unishk.edu.al	The role of agriculture in the development of the peri-urban area of Shkoder city – Rrethinat Administrative Unit
Dr. (Cand.) Martine Wolff, Ethnologist/ Anthropologist Student researcher, University INALCO Paris France; University Shkoder external research student; martine.wolff@yahoo.com	Voice is given to the transhumant shepherds from Northern Albania. Toward which rural sustainable development?
Coffee break 11:30 – 12:00	
MSc. Valbona Mazreku, Polis University, Dr. Aurora Dibra, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui”, & MSc. Valjeta Bajraktari, Medresea “Haxhi Sheh Shamia”, valbona.mazreku@gmail.com	Development of rural tourism in North Albania as a premise for the sustainable economy in the Region
Dr. Ylvie Kraja Boriçi & Alba Berberi, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” ylvije.kraja@unishk.edu.al	The integration of soft and hard skills in urban and rural areas
Prof. Assoc. Nevila Dibra & Dr. Bresena Kopliku, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui” nevila.dibra@unishk.edu.al	Agro-touristic development, possibility of new spaces
Dr. Brikene Dionizi, University of Shkodra “Luigj Gurakqui”, & Prof. Dr. Donika Kercini, Agricultural University of Tirana, brikene.dionizi@unishk.edu.al	Importance of agricultural systems for sustainability
Dr. Nertila Dilaveri nertiladilaveri@gmail.com	Industrial district, inter-sectoral development impulse in the Region of Malesi e Madhe



Follow-up meeting of conference organisers team 14:30 – 15:00

The University of Shkodra is committed to producing a publication with the proceedings from the conference. Immediately after the conference a consultation will take place to plan the publications.

End of Day 2

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