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## 3RD INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE "WHITHER OUR ECONOMIES" MYKOLAS ROMERIS UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

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On 24-25 October 2013 the Faculty of Economics and Finance Management of Mykolas Romeris University held a 3rd international scientific conference "Whither Our Economies". During the plenary session, the delegate of the partner university, co-chair of the conference Prof. Dr. Pasquale Pazienza presented his research conducted with co-authors Caterina De LUCIA and Vincenzo VECCHIONE, entitled "IMPLICATIONS ON THE LAND USE FOR BIOMASS PRODUCTION FROM AGRICULTURAL AND ENERGY MARKET PRICES: AN ANALYSIS OF THE OECD AREA".

The next speaker at the plenary session was assoc. Prof. Dr. Rimantas Juozas VAICENAVIČIUS representing the Banking and Investment Department of the Faculty of Economics and Finance Management of MRU with the report "LITHUANIAN COPYRIGHT INDUSTRY IN THE GLOBAL CONTEXT".





Both topics are very important in today's economic environment, they were welcomed by the members of the conference with great interest and triggered a debate.





It was a great pleasure that the colleagues from the University of Economics in Prague, with which the FEFM has a close relationship on the basis of the Erasmus programme, participated in all of the three conferences. A representative of the Czech commercial bank was also attending the conference.





We are also very pleased to note that WOE 2013 expanded its geography and the colleagues from Croatia joined it for the first time. In addition, new members from the Polish and Spanish universities attended the WOE 2013.





However, the most important are regular participants who share their findings in MRU conferences every year, such as Latvian, Polish, Slovak, Bulgarian, Czech, Ukraine, Italian, Spanish, Lithuanian and other university representatives.

It is also important to note that not only doctoral, but also master degree students increasingly turn to conference events. This is a good opportunity for them to present to a wider audience the results of their research and to listen to advice on possible improvements.









After the plenary session, the conference continued in two aggregated sessions:

- Economic and Social Development; Financial Management; Mathematical Modelling in Economics and Finance Chairs: Natalja KOSAREVA, Jusif SEIRANOV; Secretaries: Laura GUDELYTĖ, Olga NAVICKIENĖ.
- Business Development; Business System Economics and Management; Financial Markets; International Trade and Services Chairs: Artūras BALKEVIČIUS, Marius LANSKORONSKIS; Secretaries: Dovilė KURTINAITYTĖ-VENEDIKTO-VIENĖ, Eglė ZUPKAITIENĖ.

The topics of the conference were very different, most of them were in the financial field (Paulina ANIOŁA, Zbigniew GOŁAŚ; Jusif SEIRANOV, Tetyana MAZYLO, Dmytro LUKIN; Viktor KOZLOVSKIJ; Irena MAČERINSKIENĖ, Tomas MENDELSONAS; Irena MAČERINSKIENĖ, Valdas GRIGONIS; Aurelija ULBINAITĖ, Odeta BALSKUTĖ; Irena MAČERINSKIENĖ, Andrius BALČIŪNAS; Dušan BARAN; Rimvydas JASINAVIČIUS,

Vidmantas GANIPRAUSKAS) and business (Concepción BARTUAL, Fernando GARCIA, Francisco GUIJARRO, Ismael MOYA; Siyka DEMIROVA; Aleksandra GÓRECKA; Inga JANSONE, Irina VORONOVA; Rima ŽITKIENĖ, Ugnė BLUSYTĖ; Francesco CONTÒ, Mariantonietta FIORE, Piermichele La SALA; Jan ŠVOMA; Inga STANKEVICE, Edita RUKAITE).

A number of researches in the field of employment (ANTONIO MIHI-RAMIREZ, Dominik METELSKI, Aurimas RUDZIONIS; Tomáš PIVOŇKA, Tomáš LÖSTER; Tomas PAVELKA, Tomáš LÖSTER) and tax policies (Janusz SOBOŃ, Tomasz WOŁOWIEC; Alicja BRODZKA; Airina REMEIKIENĖ, Audra VISOCKAITĖ) were also on the agenda. Some topics were presented in the environmental area (Barbara PISKER, Mirjana RADMAN-FUNARIĆ; Jurijs SPIRIDONOVS), non-business enterprises (Dubravka MAHAČEK, Mirjana RADMAN-FUNARIĆ; Liudas JURKONIS, Zina GINEITIENĖ) and other fields (Elena MAKHALOVA, Iva PECÁKOVÁ; Natalja KOSAREVA, Aleksandras KRYLOVAS, Olga NAVICKIENĖ; Eglė KAZLAUSKIENĖ, Gintarė SUBAČIŪTĖ; Margarita IŠORAITĖ).

In summary, 32 articles and two reports by 62 participants from 10 countries (Bulgaria, Check Republic, Croatia, Latvia, Lithuania, Italy, Poland, Slovak Republic, Spain, Ukraine) representing 18 universities were presented at the conference.

