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Abstract. Social sciences congresses related to economy, agricultural economy, management and finance subject was organized in Plovdiv which is the second biggest city of Bulgaria, in 12-13 March, 2016. As organized for 2 days and through parallel sessions, congress started with registration and opening speech. After the first presentations and gala dinner, congress ended with second day parallel sessions.

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Conference Notes

International Balkan and Near Eastern Social Sciences Conference Series organized its first international congress in Plavdiv city of Bulgaria. The city was named as Filibe in Ottoman Empire period and has many mosques and mansion belong to Ottoman period.

The access to congress was maintained busses from Edirne and Tekirdağ. Although the congress journey, which was started with bus in evening hours in 11 March, started long and tiring customs operations, as a general the congress was very successful. 68 presentations in the first day and 31 presentations in the second day were successfully made.

After registration was made about 09.00 in the first day, congress opening speeches were presented. The opening speeches were made by Eng. Dimitar Kirilov Dimitrov and Rasim Yilmaz. After the opening speeches, congress presentations got started with parallel sessions.

The first session was organized in the congress center and 3 different rooms. In the center room, 6 presentations were made with moderator Mariana Ivanova. The session started with the related presentation of Ivanova about “E-learning course for Good Organic Retailing Practice”. Afterwards, with presentations of “Social Effects of An "Exit" of The Economic Crisis”, “The Agricultural Policies Applied For Wheat in Turkey”, “Contributions to Economy of Turkey of Organic Agriculture”, “Family Farming in Terms of Sustainable Food Supply And Evaluation of The Present Situation in Turkey” and “Determination Of Variables Effective On The Opinion Of Milk Producers About Ensuring Food Security In Milk: A Case Study Of Tr22 South Marmara Region” the session continued and after question and answer period the session ended in 10.45.

At the same time, in the first room, 6 presentations were made with moderator Ömer Azabağaoğlu. Presentations took place about the subjects of corporate social responsibility, evaluating the project preparation training, rural food tourism,

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motivation to buy holiday and fish, and competition analysis for Turkey hazelnut export. After the presentation, the session ended with question and answer period.

In the second room, the presentation related to employment and unemployment problem in Bulgaria, green products and factors affecting the consumers, organization citizenship, firm problem in manufacturing process, information technologies and effects on primary education process and legal status of part time working student were made with moderator M.Ömer Azabağaoğlu.

In the third room, the session started with the presentation of Ms. Özerdem about European Union Black Sea region policies and continued in a question and answer way with presentations related to the relationship between import and economic growth, selection of animal seed production center, evaluation of macro financial risk data in European Union region.

Chats regarding to presentations continued in session breaks with tea and coffee service. The second sessions started in 13:30 in the same day. The second sessions took place in totally 4 rooms as one congress center and 3 different rooms.

Pavlina Dimitrova moderated the session in the center room. The session was completed with the presentations of Turkish tobacco sector, online reservation use, organization efficiency and organization, supply chain in public hospital and cooperatives in eco-tourism development and question and answer period. In the first room, the studies about cooperative operations and the relationship with other disciplines, public sector employment policies, career management and direct foreign capital movement and its effects on unemployment were presented. The session was moderated by Sibel Tan.

In the center room of the third session, the presentations related to private security sector's future, food industry in e-commerce, Serbian nationalism and critics, project writing for Agricultural and rural development, safety of social activities and their defense, and commercial maritime transportation with moderator of Sevdalina Dimitrova.

In room 1, the presentations related to free zones, half valued Stones in terms of their economic value, accounting package programs, women problems in working life and Black Sea coast guard were made. The moderator was Ahmet Mentş.

The subjects presented in Room 2 were about increase in women employment, Balkan countries minority rights, privatization and productivity increase, quality management in universities, deposit certificates. The moderator was Rasim Yılmaz.

Congress ended with closing speech following the completion of second day presentations. The importance to create environments in which studies could be developed with interaction of researchers, and the experiences gained from this congress would be guidance for further congresses were mentioned. The closing of the congress in which up to 100 presentations were successfully offered continued with a city tour and the organization ended with busses to back to Edirne and Tekirdağ. Participants from other countries took place in the congress which mainly Turkish and Bulgarian science people attended.



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