

**2025 China-Bulgaria Climate Change and Rural
Revitalization Forum - Sofia**
The "Belt and Road" Joint Laboratory Annual Symposium

June 5, 2025, Hotel Marinela Sofia, Madara Hall

James Boucher blvd. 100, Sofia

Organizers:

Shanghai Jiao Tong University - Shanghai,

Institute Agricultural Economics, Agricultural Academy - Sofia,

University of National and World Economy - Sofia,

Agricultural University - Plovdiv

Preliminary Agenda:

13:30-14:20 Registration

14:30-15:30 Opening Ceremony

Moderator: Prof. Bozhidar Ivanov

- Speech by the representative of the Ministry of Agriculture and Food
- Speech by the Ambassador H.E. Ms. Dai Qingli
- Speech by the President Agricultural Academy
- Speech by Prof. Zhenbin Yang, Chairperson of SJTU University Council
- Speech by the President Agricultural Academy
- Speech by the Rector of University of National and World Economy
- Speech by the Rector of Agricultural University
- Speech by the Director of Association for the Promotion of Agricultural Cooperation between China and the Central and Eastern European Countries
- Speech by the Director Che Shengquan of the Joint Laboratory

15:00-15:15 Joint Laboratory Collaboration Achievements and release of the book

"Adapting to the Future: Climate Risks and Resilience in Rural Bulgaria "

Moderator: Prof. Svetla Yancheva

Prof. Che Shengquan and Prof. Hrabrin Bachev – Co-directors of the "Belt and Road" Joint Laboratory

15:15-15:20 Group Photo

15:20-15:40 Coffee and media break

15:40-16:20 Academic Reports on the Joint Research

Moderator: Prof. Shengquan Che

1. Associate Prof. Changkun Xie and Dr. Yifeng Qin “From Climate Projections to Adaptive Governance: Multi-Dimensional Approach for Rural Climate Risk Management”
2. Chief Assistant Professor Dobri Dunchev, Associate Professor Rositsa Uzunova, Professor Svetla Yancheva, Professor Boryana Ivanova “The Role of Precision Farming and Digitalization in Climate Change Mitigation“
3. Chief Assistant Professor Veselin Krustev and Professor Bozhidar Ivanov “Effectiveness and Significance of Crop Yield Forecasting on Weather Conditions“
4. Professor Svetlana Alexandrova and Associate Professor Paskal Zhelev “Financing Climate Adaptation and Rural Development in Bulgaria”

16:20-16:35 Rural Climate Adaptability Technology Exchange and Training

Moderator: Prof. Paskal Zhelev

Rural climate adaptability planning and design technology exchange and training

16:35-17:00 Joint Laboratory Symposium

Moderator: Prof. Hrabrin Bachev and Prof. Shengquan Che