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 Agricultural Economics, Agricultural Academy – Sofia, University of National and World Economy - Sofia, Agricultural University - Plovdiv

Agenda:

13:30-14:20 Registration

14:30-15:30 Opening Ceremony

Moderator: Prof. Bozhidar Ivanov

- · Speech by Dr Lozana Vasileva, Vice Minister, Ministry of Agriculture and Food
- Speech by Ms. Wang Min, Chargé d'affaires, Embassy of The People's Republic of China in the Republic of Bulgaria
- · Speech by Prof. Yang Zhenbin Chairperson of SJTU University Council
- · Speech by Prof. Violeta Bozhanova, President of Agricultural Academy
- · Speech by Prof. Dimitar Dimitrov, Rector of University of National and World Economy
- Speech by Dr. Momchil Stanishev, Director of Association for the Promotion of Agricultural Cooperation between China and the Central and Eastern European Countries
- · Speech by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Boryana Ivanova, Rector of the Agricultural University, Plovdiv

15:00-15:15 Joint Laboratory Collaboration Achievements and Release of the " 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: Shengquan Che

- 1. Associate Prof. Changkun Xie & Dr. Yifeng Qin (SJTU) "From Climate Projections to Adaptive Governance: Multi-Dimensional Approach for Rural Risk Management"
- 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' 16:20-16:30 Rural Climate Adaptability Technology Exchange and Training Moderator: Prof. Paskal Zhelev Rural climate adaptability planning and design technology exchange and training 16:30-17:00 Joint Laboratory Symposium

Moderator: Hrabrin Bachev, Shengquan Che