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<b>Institution</b>	University of Novi Sad Faculty of Agriculture Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology
<b>Short biography</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bachelor and master studies finished at the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Novi Sad, study program: Agricultural Economics. Master's Thesis entitled "Role of organic agricultural production in rural development of the Republic of Serbia" defended in 2010. Now she is a PhD student at the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Novi Sad, study program: Agricultural Economics. She works on PhD thesis entitled "Economic effects of organic production in agriculture of the Republic of Serbia".</li> <li>- Since 2009 she has been employed at the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Novi Sad, at the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology.</li> <li>- She is the author or co-author of over 50 scientific papers published in national and international journals and conferences, as well as one individual monograph entitled "Organic production and certification".</li> </ul>
<b>Field of expertise</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Scientific field of Economics</li> <li>- Teaching at undergraduate (Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Principles of Economics, Entrepreneurial Economy, Rural Development, Agricultural Economics) and postgraduate studies (Rural Economics, Economy)</li> <li>- Field of interest: agricultural and rural economics, rural development, organic farming</li> </ul>
<b>Selected projects</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TEMPUS JP 1578777-2009, <i>Western Balkan Rural Extension Network through Curriculum Reform – WBREN</i>, project period 2010-2013;</li> <li>- TEMPUS Joint Project 1578777-2009, <i>Conversion Courses for Unemployed University Graduates in Serbia – CONCUR</i>, project period 2009-2012;</li> <li>- Erasmus + Jean Monnet Module "Agricultural Regulations of European Union – AgriReg", University of Novi Sad, Faculty of Agriculture, Projekt No. 587440-EPP-1-2017-1-RS-EPPJMO-Module, project period 2017-2020;</li> <li>- "Production of hard cheese with added value of milk produced in organic and self-sustaining systems", No TR31095, project financed by the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Republic of Serbia, coordinator Faculty of agriculture, Novi Sad, project period 2011-2017;</li> <li>- "Sustainable agriculture and rural development aimed at reaching the strategic objectives of the Republic of Serbia in the</li> </ul>

	<p><i>Danube region</i>", No III 46006, project financed by the Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development, Republic of Serbia, coordinator Institute of Agricultural Economics, Belgrade, project period 2011-2017;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- National project <i>"Innovative educational programs to improve organic agriculture as part of rural development"</i>, coordinator Faculty of agriculture, Novi Sad, project period 2015;</li> <li>- Project <i>"Characterization and tracking the origin of specific features of traditional cheeses in Western Balkans Region jointly"</i>, International project SEE-ERA.NET Plus joint Call;</li> <li>- Short-term project funded by the Provincial Secretariat for Education, Administration and National Communities of AP Vojvodina, entitled <i>"Informing students of primary and master studies on mobility and possibilities for further technical and scientific development"</i>, project coordinator; Faculty of Agriculture in Novi Sad, project period 2011;</li> <li>- <i>"Fruška gora Master plan"</i> – rural development program in AP Vojvodina, coordinator University of Novi Sad, 2011;</li> <li>- Short-term project funded by the Provincial Secretariat for Science and Technological Development of AP Vojvodina, entitled <i>"Research models of the third mission of the University of Novi Sad"</i>, project coordinator: University of Novi Sad, project period 2014-2015;</li> <li>- Short-term project funded by the Provincial Secretariat for Science and Technological Development of AP Vojvodina, entitled <i>"Research employability of students of the University of Novi Sad - Trends, chances, barriers and needs"</i>, project coordinator: University of Novi Sad, project period 2015-2016;</li> <li>- <i>"Analysis of production and economic results of companies in the field of agriculture and food processing industry in AP Vojvodina"</i>, project financed by the Provincial Secretariat for Science and Technological Development of AP Vojvodina.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Selected publications</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pejanović, R., Demirović, Dunja, Glavaš-Trbić, Danica, Maksimović, G., Tomaš-Simin, Mirela (2015): Clusters as a factor of competitiveness of rural tourism destinations in the Danube region of the Republic of Serbia, Tourism Economics, IP Publishing Ltd, UK. Appeared and available online: September 4, 2015,</li> <li>- Tomaš-Simin M., Janković D. (2014): Applicability of diffusion of innovation theory in organic agriculture, Economics of Agriculture, IAE, Belgrade, No. 2, pp. 517-529.</li> <li>- Tomaš-Simin, M., Popović-Vranješ, A. (2013): Organic agriculture as a factor of rural development in Serbia, International Scientific Conference „Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development in Terms of the Republic of Serbia Strategic Goals Realization Within the Danube Region“, thematic proceedings, IAE, Belgrade, pp. 1042-1058,</li> <li>- Pejanović, R., Glavaš-Trbić, Danica, Tomaš-Simin, Mirela (2013): About the causes of agriculture crisis in the Republic of Serbia, Economics of Agriculture, IAE, Belgrade, Vol. LX, No. 2, pp. 253-264.</li> </ul>

	- Tomaš, Mirela (2011): Organic production and certification, monograph, Zadužbina Andrejević, Belgrade.
<b>Planned project AgriReg activities</b>	Administrator Module preparation and teaching Preparation of textbook Preparation and administration of web portal