

## BIOGRAPHY

**Lela Ristic**

Associate Professor

DATE OF BIRTH: November 29<sup>th</sup>, 1974

PLACE AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH: Jagodina, Republic of Serbia

RESEARCH INTERESTS: sustainable agricultural and rural development; integral development of agriculture, rural areas and tourism; agribusiness management.

### EDUCATION:

PhD, University of Kragujevac-Faculty of Economics, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010) - Title of Doctoral Dissertation: *Integral rural development in the European Union and Serbia* (pages: 301, in Serbian letters)

MSc, University of Kragujevac - Faculty of Economics, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2005) - Title of Master Thesis: *Agricultural policy and development of agriculture in Serbia with a special accent on influence of the Common Agricultural Policy of the European Union* (pages: 194, in Serbian letters)

BSc, University of Kragujevac - Faculty of Economics, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1998) - Title of Final Exam: *Export strategy of agricultural products of the SRJ (Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, in Serbian letters)*

Four-year Vocational Secondary Education - Commercial Technician, secondary school Economic-Trade School Slavka Djurdjevic, Jagodina, Republic of Serbia (1993)

Elementary School, Ribare, Jagodina, Republic of Serbia (1989)

CURRENT POSITION: Associate Professor, University of Kragujevac – Faculty of Economics, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (2015 –)

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Teaching Assistant, University of Kragujevac - Faculty of Economics, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (1999 – 2006)

Assistant, University of Kragujevac - Faculty of Economics, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (2006 – 2010)

Assistant Professor, University of Kragujevac - Faculty of Economics, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (2010 – 2015)

### COURSES:

Subject1 (PhD): *Rural Development Management; Economics of Sustainable Development*

Subject2 (MSc): *Tourism and Agribusiness*

Subject3 (BSc): *Economics of Agriculture*

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE RECORD:

Lela Ristic is: a member of the Commission for BSc and MSc, Faculty of Economics - University of Kragujevac; a reviewer of the international and national conferences and scientific journals - journal *Economic Horizons*, International Conference *Contemporary Issues in Economics, Business and Management*, Scientific Conference *Institutional Changes as a Determinant of Economic Development of Serbia* - Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac; journal *Studies and Proceedings of the Polish Association for Knowledge Management*; journal *Megatrend Review*; journal *School of Business*; journal *Facta Universitatis, Series: Economics and Organization*; a reviewer of the Commission for Accreditation and Quality Assurance in the educational and scientific fields: Social and Human Sciences, Republic of Serbia; a reviewer of the ENIC/NARIC Centre Serbia (Ministry of Education, Science and Technological Development) for recognition of foreign higher

education qualifications; a member of Editorial Board of the *Scientific Publications of the State University of Novi Pazar - Series B: Social Sciences and Humanities*.

Lela Ristic was: a member of the Disciplinary Commission of the Faculty of Economics - University of Kragujevac (2011-2017); a member of the Quality Assurance Commission, Faculty of Economics - University of Kragujevac (2011-2013); a member of the Council of the Faculty of Economics - University of Kragujevac (before March, 2013); Vice-Dean for Science, Faculty of Economics - University of Kragujevac (March-September, 2013); a member of the Publishing Centre and the Centre for Economic Research, Faculty of Economics - University of Kragujevac; a participant of the project *Strategic Master Plan for Sustainable Development of Mountain Rudnik in Serbia*, University of Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (2013-2014); a participant of the project *Gruza and Rudnicka Morava - Master Plan for Sustainable Development - part: Tourism and sustainable rural development*, Urban Security, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (2015);

Lela Ristic is an author or coo-author of 4 textbooks and more than 50 articles published in the scientific journals, national and international conferences and book chapters. She was a mentor or a member of the commission of more than 140 final exams, 20 master and two PhD theses.

#### INTERNATIONAL TRAINING OR STUDY:

*USDA Faculty Exchange Program - FEP 2003 in Agricultural Economics*, USA (2003);

*Course of study in English as a Second Language*, International Center for Language Studies, Washington, DC., USA (2003);

*Summer School - Introducing the EU*, University of Novi Sad, University of Münster, Institut für Politikwissenschaft, Novi Sad, Republic of Serbia (2002);

*Farm Management Training*, three sessions, USDA (United States Department of Agriculture), PSU (Pennsylvania State University), Cacak and Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (2005);

*Training Business Plan Development*, BIP (Business Innovation Programs) - Norway, Association of Business Innovation Programs - Serbia, Faculty of Economics, University of Kragujevac, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia (2012).

#### MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

*Society of Economists of Kragujevac (DEK)*, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia

*Serbian Association of Agricultural Economists (DAES)*, Belgrade, Republic of Serbia

*International Exchange Alumni*, Washington, D.C., USA

*Association of Experts in Eco Rural Tourism (AEERT)*, Kragujevac, Republic of Serbia

*Assortis Experts Team*, Brussels, Belgium

*Agripolicy.net - Agri-policy experts*

COMPUTING SKILLS: Windows, MS Office, Word, Excel, PowerPoint

LANGUAGES: Russian, English