

Report on the outcomes of a presentation and participation - Inclusiveness Target Countries Conference¹

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Conference Details

Conference title: ECLAS 2025 - (Agri) - Cultural landscapes

Conference web-page: <https://conference.eclas.org/>

Conference venue²: Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra, Nitra, Slovakia

Conference start and end date: 06/09/2025 to 10/09/2025

Accepted contribution details

Title of the presentation: Heritage Values of Traditional Farmsteads in Agricultural Landscapes of Vojvodina, Serbi

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Other details of the presentation: specify here any additional details related to the contribution (e.g. title of the session / track of the conference programme in which the contribution is accepted) Track 2: Heritage and Identities, session 1.3.

Outcome of the conference participation

Description of the outcome of the presentation of the accepted contribution, in terms of grantee's visibility, including the establishment of new contacts for future collaborations

Prior to the official start of the ITC Conference, I participated in the Doctoral Colloquium where I presented the subject of my dissertation and the current state of my research progress. This session provided a unique opportunity to receive constructive feedback from experienced academics, including senior professors and fellow doctoral candidates. Their insightful suggestions, especially regarding my research methodology, helped me refine my approach and broaden my perspective through meaningful discussions with peers from related disciplines.

On Sunday, I took part in the city walks organized as part of the conference program. This informal setting allowed me to connect with other PhD students and senior academics, fostering the beginnings of a professional network that will support my future academic collaborations.

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During the first two days of the conference, I attended inspiring keynote speeches that conveyed important messages about the current trends and challenges in our field. The keynotes helped me contextualize my research within broader academic and practical frameworks.

On the first day of the conference, I had the opportunity to both present my research and serve as a session chair. Presenting my work in front of a diverse audience enhanced my visibility as a researcher and boosted my confidence in public speaking. Chairing the session further developed my leadership and discussion facilitation skills, as I moderated the Q&A and guided the dialogue among participants.

The second day involved more plenary sessions and presentations, which continued to enrich my understanding and provided additional perspectives relevant to my work.

A highlight of the conference was the field trip, which combined learning and relaxation. We visited one traditional agricultural farmstead, a chocolate factory, and a winery. The visit to the traditional farmstead was especially valuable for my doctoral research, as it provided practical insight into the preservation and functioning of rural farm structures, which are central to my thesis. Observing these real-world examples helped me better understand the cultural and historical context of my study.

The final day featured another Doctoral Colloquium, where I participated in group discussions reflecting on the main lessons learned throughout the conference. That evening, I had a productive meeting with my mentor to discuss the further development of my dissertation, incorporating the feedback and ideas gained during the event.

Overall, this conference was an extremely useful experience. It was the first time I formally presented my doctoral research, which significantly increased my academic visibility. I established new contacts with peers and senior academics, opening the door for future collaborations. The constructive feedback I received will positively impact the quality and direction of my dissertation. I am confident that the connections and knowledge gained during the ITC Conference will contribute to both my professional growth and the advancement of my research.

Acknowledgement of inclusion of necessary supporting documents to claim the grant

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- grant report
- the certificate of conference attendance.
- the certificate of conference presentation.
- the programme of the conference indicating the presentation (oral) of the grantee.
- book of abstracts / proceedings
- copy of the given presentation (oral).