

## **Project activities UaFoodTrade 2017 - 2019**

### **Year 2017**

01 12 2017 | Set up of project pages on IAMO's homepages in German and English <https://www.iamo.de/forschung/projekte/details/uafodtrade/>

15 12 2017 | Call for applications for five project positions at the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE) and three scientific positions at IAMO

19 12 2017 | Meeting with the vice rector of the National University of Life and Environmental Sciences of Ukraine (NUBiP) Kiev, [Prof. Dr. Vadym Tkachuk](#) and dean of the Faculty of Economics of the National University of Life and Environmental Sciences of Ukraine, Kiev (NUBiP), [Prof. Dr. Anatoliy Dibrova](#). Prof. Dr. Dibrova and Prof. Dr. Tkachuk were very interested in the pilot project and inquired about cooperation possibilities with IAMO and KSE. Besides the presentation of the project, Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk also gave a lecture on "Economic Academic Research, Writing and Publishing" at the NUBiP.

20 12 2017 | Project meeting with the honorary president of KSE, [Prof. Dr. Tymofiy Mylovanov](#), the academic director of KSE, Prof. Dr. Olesia Verchenko, and the project coordinator at KSE, Dr. Oleg Nivievskiy.

21 12 2017 | Meeting with the president of the Ukrainian Agribusiness Club (UCAB) and CEO of the Agroholding IMC, [Dr. Alex Lissitsa](#). The agenda included questions on cooperation opportunities with agribusiness companies and state institutions as part of the pilot project.

### **Year 2018**

21 01 2018 | Tender for the purchase of 6 notebooks (computer FUJITSU notebook LIFEBOOK with i7 processor, 8 GB RAM memory and SSD hard disk with at least 256 GB) on the tender website of the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE, Ukraine)

01 02 2018 | Filling of the position of project coordinator at KSE by [Dr. Oleg Nivievskiy](#)

19 03 2018 | Talks on strategic cooperation with [Dr. Olga Trofimtseva](#), vice minister for Agricultural Policy and Food of Ukraine, and [Dr. Alex Lissitsa](#), president of UCAB and CEO of Agroholding IMC, in Kiev, Ukraine

19 03 2018 | Meeting with [Prof. Dr. Verchenko](#), academic director of the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE) in Kiev, Ukraine

19 03 2018 | Interviews on the UaFoodTrade project at the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE), Ukraine, and filling of the positions with Dr. Oleg Nivievskiy (project coordinator at KSE), [Dr. Volodymyr Vakhitov](#) (postdoctoral fellow at KSE), Oleksandr Donchenko (doctoral s), Roman Neyter (doctoral student), Pavlo Martyshch (doctoral student) and Valentyna Marusiak (project assistant). Further [information on the project team at KSE can be found here](#).

15 04 2018 | Establishment of the Project Office at the CFE and filling of four of the five project positions at the CFE by Mr. [Oleksandr Donchenko](#) (doctoral student), Mr. [Roman Neyter](#) (doctoral student), Mr. [Pavlo Martyshev](#) (doctoral student) and Ms. [Valentyna Marusiak](#) (project assistant)

19 04 2018 | Signing of work contracts with Mr. Oleksandr Donchenko, Mr. Roman Neyter, Mr. Pavlo Martyshev and Ms. Valentyna Marusiak at the CFE as well as the Memorandum of Understanding between IAMO and CFE. Delivery of the new ready-to-operate laptops to the project staff at KSE: Dr. Nivievskiy, Mr. Donchenko, Mr. Neyter, Mr. Martyshev and Ms. Marusiak. The software and hardware licenses (MS Windows OS, MS Office) were provided by the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE, Ukraine).

01 05 2018 | Set up of the project website on the KSE homepages in Ukrainian and English <http://www.kse.org.ua/uk/research-policy/UaFoodTrade/> and <https://kse.ua/kse-research/uafodtrade/>

01 05 2018 | [Dr. Sören Prehn](#) joined the IAMO project team as a postdoctoral fellow. He will work in working group III "Agricultural Trade and Trade Scenarios". The team was also expanded by doctoral students [Maximilian Heigermoser](#) and [Olga Polonska](#). Maximilian Heigermoser will dedicate his research on the market integration of agricultural and food markets to working group I "Integration of markets and value chains". Olga Polonska is interested in research on the structure and stability of trade relations between Ukraine and the EU.

15 04 2018-16 07 2018 | Drafting of an exposé on the dissertation with working title, problem, research questions and objectives, foundations and state of research on theoretical and empirical approaches, models, methods and expected results. Elaboration of a detailed work plan and timetable for the doctoral thesis.

27 06 2018 | Dr. Oleg Nivievskiy participated in the IAMO Forum 2018 and gave a lecture on "[Revisiting farm structure development and productivity in Ukraine](#)" within the Organised Session A2: Asia and Europe.

29 06 2018 | Invitation to tender for the purchase of multifunction printer HP Color LaserJet Pro (MFP M477fdndn) on the tender website of the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE, Ukraine)

01 07 2018 | Dr. Volodymyr Vakhitov joined the KSE project team as a postdoctoral fellow. He will work in working group II "Competition processes and market structure" in the UaFoodTrade project team. His research interests include non-tariff measures and productivity in food processing as well as market strategies and services of multinational companies.

23 08 2018 | Announcement of the Summer School for Doctoral Students in Agricultural Economics with the class "Household Behaviour: Theory and Applications". The summer school is initiated by the Leibniz Institute for Agricultural Development in Transformation Economies (IAMO), Halle, Germany, in cooperation with the Institute for Agricultural and

Nutritional Sciences of the Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg (MLU), Halle, Germany, and the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE), Kyiv, Ukraine.

20 09 2018 | [Kick-off meeting of the project UaFoodTrade](#) with the official opening of the pilot project and subsequent panel discussion of numerous representatives from politics, business and science at the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE), Kyiv, Ukraine / [Post-event report on the kick-off meeting of the project UaFoodTrade](#)

21 09 2018 | As part of the internal kick-off workshop, the project team meets to discuss and agree on project implementation. Project manager [Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk](#) explains the key points, scope, tasks, deadlines, roles and responsibilities of the project team as well as the expected results of the UaFoodTrade project. The project coordinator at the Kyiv School of Economics, [Dr. Oleg Nivievskyi](#), presented measures for capacity building and knowledge transfer of the UaFoodTrade project at the Kyiv School of Economics. Project Assistant [Valentina Marusiak](#) spoke about project monitoring, preparation of reports, communication channels with project partners and meetings of the KSE-IAMO research group. Doctoral students [Oleksandr Donchenko](#), [Roman Neyter](#), [Pavlo Martyshev](#), [Maximilian Heigermoser](#) and [Olga Polonska](#) presented their research projects.

08 10 – 13 10 2018 | The [Summer School for Doctoral Students in Agricultural Economics](#), as part of the pilot project UaFoodTrade, started at with the class "Household Behaviour: Theory and Applications" KSE. This class was held by Professor Michael Grings of the Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg (MLU). The participants of the class received certificates of successful completion and participation.

15 12 2018 | [Announcement of the German-Ukrainian Summer School in Agricultural Economics](#) at IAMO in Halle (Saale). Applications can be submitted until 3 February 2019.

## **Year 2019**

30 01 2019 | Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk participated in the 25th anniversary of German-Ukrainian scientific and technological cooperation, which took place at the Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv.

31 01 2019 | Meeting with the Attaché for Agriculture of the German Embassy in Ukraine, Mr. Hermann Intemann. On the agenda were questions about cooperation possibilities and exchange of information with other projects and German companies operating in Ukraine.

01 02 2019 | Meeting with the representatives of the [Ukrainian Association of Young Farmers](#): Mr. Dmytro Michurin (head of the association), Mr. Illias Akhmetov (head of the International Department) and Mrs. Larysa Levkivska (training programme coordinator). Afterwards Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk held the seminar on "Writing and Publishing a Scientific Research Article" at the [Zhytomir National Agroecological University \(NAEUZ\)](#) for teachers, staff and Doctoral students under the direction of the dean of the Faculty of Economics and Manage-

ment, Mr. [Oleksandr Opalov](#). At a meeting with Mr. [Ivan Martynchuk](#), vice rector for scientific and pedagogical work, social and humanitarian development, a number of questions for further cooperation in education and science were discussed.

04 - 08 02 2019 | Olga Polonska participated in the module of the Doctoral Certificate Program in Agricultural Economics „Welfare Economic Analysis of Agricultural Policy“ at the University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria.

05 02 2019 | The seminar on "Writing and Publishing a Scientific Research Article" took place in Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk's lecture at the [Poltava State Agricultural Academy](#) under the direction of the dean of the Faculty of Economics and Management, Mr. [Oleksandr Galych](#). The meeting was followed by a meeting with Mr. [Oleg Gorb](#), vice rector for Scientific Educational Work, Research and International Relations. The main topics of the meeting were questions on opportunities for cooperation and scientific exchange between the Poltava State Agricultural Academy and IAMO as part of the pilot project.

07 02 2019 | Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk visited the [National University of Life and Environmental Sciences of Ukraine \(NUBiP\)](#) and met with the dean of the Faculty of Economics, Mr. [Anatoliy Dibrova](#), and the dean of the Faculty of Agricultural Management, Mr. [Anatoliy Ostapchuk](#). This was followed by a seminar on "Writing and Publishing a Scientific Research Article" for aspirants and economists of the National University of Life and Environmental Sciences of Ukraine.

19 02 2019 | During the internal workshop, the IAMO project team met to discuss research results of the scientific work. [Maximilian Heigermoser](#) presented his second research study on "What Drives Black Sea Grain Prices?". Mrs. [Olga Polonska](#) presented her research project "Impacts of environmental policies on Ukrainian agricultural producers' international competitiveness: basic partial equilibrium model".

03 - 17 03 2019 | [German-Ukrainian Agricultural Economics Summer School](#) at IAMO in Halle (Saale), Germany. Please find additional information on the summer school here: [Report](#) and [Photo gallery](#)

04 03 2019 | [Olga Polonska](#), participant of the German-Ukrainian Summer School in Agricultural Economics, presented her experience of enrolling for doctoral studies at the Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg.

06 03 2019 | [Maximilian Heigermoser](#) spoke about his research results on "What Drives Black Sea Grain Prices?" at the German-Ukrainian Summer School in Agricultural Economics.

08 03 2019 | As part of the German-Ukrainian Summer School in Agricultural Economics, doctoral students [Oleksandr Donchenko](#), [Roman Neyter](#) and [Pavlo Martyshev](#) presented their first research results. Mr. Donchenko examined the effects of the Russian import ban

on agricultural products on the domestic market for fresh apples in Ukraine. Mr. [Neyter](#) presented his first results of the study on "The effect of subsidies on farms' exit decision" Mr. [Martyshev](#) spoke on "Does Currency Devaluation Increase Meat Import? An Empirical Evidence from Ukrainian Pork Industry".

01 04 2019 | Maximilian Heigermoser participated at the 3rd „Platts Geneva Grains Conference“ in Geneva, Switzerland. At the conference, current developments on grain markets in the Black Sea region and beyond were discussed.

11 04 2019 | Announcement of the Summer School for Doctoral Students in Agricultural Economics with the class "Scientific Writing for Agricultural Economists", which will take place from 28 to 31 May 2019 at the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE) in Ukraine. This class is organized as part of the pilot project UaFoodTrade in cooperation with the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE), the Leibniz Institute for Agricultural Development in Transformation Economies (IAMO) and the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Development of the University of Göttingen. The class will be held in English by Prof. Dr. Stephan von Cramon-Taubadel, University of Göttingen. [You find further information about the summer school here.](#) Applications can be submitted until 6 May 2019 via an online form on the website <http://bit.do/uafodform>.

16 04 2019 | Maximilian Heigermoser presented recent research at the „NCCC-134 Conference“ in Minneapolis, USA.

16 05 2019 | During the stay of IAMO researcher Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk at the [State Agricultural and Economic University of Dnipro \(DSAEU\)](#), a meeting was held with the Head of the Agricultural Advisory Service, Maksym Maksymov, and the Manager of the Cooperative Academy, Sofia Burtak. Maksym Maksymov and Sofia Burtak reported on the cooperation of their institutions with the Dnipro State Agricultural and Economic University, agricultural enterprises and cooperatives, processors of raw milk and processing and marketing of dairy products in the Dnipro region. Afterwards, a meeting was held with the Vice Rector for Academic Affairs, Prof. Dr. Dmytro Onuprienko, the Dean of the Faculty of Management and Marketing, Dr. Larisa Kurbatska, the Dean of the Faculty of Accounting and Finance, Dr. Halyna Pavlova, the Deputy Dean for International Affairs of the Faculty of Accounting and Finance, Dr. Olga Chepetz, the Deputy Dean for International Activities of the Faculty of Management and Marketing, Olena Pavlenko, and the Chair of Marketing, Dr. Roman Besus. During this meeting Prof. Dr. Onuprienko handed over the "Memorandum of Understanding" between the State University of Agriculture and Economics Dnipro and IAMO, which he had signed. The seminar on "Writing and Publishing a Scientific Research Article" was then held for professors, researchers and PhD students of the Dnipro State Agricultural and Economic University, and the members of the Council of Young Scientists of the four other higher education institutions in the city of Dnipro: the Oles Honchar National University, the Dnipro

National Technical University, the National University of Railway Transport and the University of Customs and Finance.

20 05 2019 | Following the invitation of the Vice Rector for Scientific Work of the National Wadym-Hetman Economic University in Kiev, Ukraine, Prof. Dr. Larysa Antonyuk, IAMO researcher Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk held the seminar on “Writing and Publishing a Scientific Research Article” for university lecturers, researchers and doctoral students. Afterwards a meeting with Prof. Dr. Larysa Antonyuk, the Chair of International Economics and the lecturer of the Chair of Economic and Mathematical Modelling, Dr. Tetiana Kmytiuk, took place. During this meeting, another seminar for the further education of university teachers, researchers and doctoral students of the National Wadym-Hetman University of Economics in Kiev was jointly planned in autumn 2019, as part of the UaFoodTrade pilot project. Further information on the seminar can be found on the website of the National Wadym-Hetman University of Economics in Kiev: [https://kneu.edu.ua/ua/news\\_main/athrstis/](https://kneu.edu.ua/ua/news_main/athrstis/)

21 05 2019 | During a visit to the National Agricultural University of Vinnytsia, IAMO researcher Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk met with the Rector Prof. Dr. Viktor Masur. Prof. Dr. Viktor Masur presented the teaching and research activities of the university and was interested in the UaFoodTrade pilot project for the sustainable internationalization of Ukrainian research structures.

22 05 2019 | On the invitation of the Vice Rector for Scientific and Innovative Affairs, Prof. Dr. Victor Karpenko, IAMO researcher Dr. Oleksandr Perekhozhuk spoke on the topic “Writing and Publishing a Scientific Research Article” with professors and lecturers of the National University of Horticulture in Uman, Ukraine. The Rector of the National University of Horticulture in Uman, Prof. Dr. Olena Nepochatenko, and the Dean of the Faculty of Economics and Entrepreneurship, Prof. Yulia Nesterchuk, also participated in the seminar. Further information about the seminar can be found on the website of the National University of Horticulture Uman: <https://www.udau.edu.ua/ua/news/oznajomcha-zustrich-z-kolegoyu.html>

28 - 31 05 2019 | The summer school for Doctoral Students in Agricultural Economics, as part of the pilot project UaFoodTrade, started with the course “Scientific Writing for Agricultural Economists” at the KSE. This class was held by Prof. Dr. Stephan von Cramon-Taubadel of the Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Development of the University of Göttingen, Germany. [Further information on the summer school can be found here.](#)

03 - 07 06 2019 | Within the Doctoral Certificate Program in Agricultural Economics, Olga Polonska took the course of “Economic Modelling with the GAMS” at the Justus Liebig University Giessen, Germany.

26 - 28 06 2019 | The members of the project participated in the IAMO Forum 2019 ["Small farms in transition: How to stimulate inclusive growth?"](#) held in Halle (Saale). The doctoral students also presented the results of their research. During the session on Markets and

trade [Maximilian Heigermoser](#) in his presentation "What Drives Black Sea Grain Prices?" identified market-specific drivers of volatility of Ukrainian corn and Russian wheat prices; [Oleksandr Donchenko](#) spoke about the impact of the Russian agricultural import ban on the Ukrainian fresh apple market, challenges faced by the domestic producers and apple price transmission; [Pavlo Martyshev](#) showed the effects of the currency devaluation on pork meat import volumes. Within the session on Agricultural policies and farm resilience [Roman Neyter](#) gave the presentation about the effects of subsidies in Ukraine on a farm decision to exit.

01 - 05 07 2019 | Olga Polonska participated in the module of the Doctoral Certificate Program in Agricultural Economics "Time Series Analysis: Applications in Agricultural and Food Economics" at the University of Göttingen, Germany.

16 – 20 09 2019 | Olga Polonska improved her soft skills based on the workshop "Attention please! Presenting successfully at conferences and in discussions at the Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Germany.

16 – 20 09 2019 | Olga Polonska improved her soft skills in writing academic and scientific research papers based on the module "Scientific Writing for Agricultural Economists" at the University of Göttingen, Germany.

25 09 2019 | Announcement: From 28 to 29 November 2019, the workshop "Modern Research in Agricultural Economics: From Research Idea to Publication" will take place at Kyiv School of Economics (KSE) in Ukraine. Applications can be submitted until Monday, 28 October, 2019 via website <http://bit.do/UaFoodTradeForm>. Further information about participation and extended abstracts submission can be found in this [Call for Workshop Submission](#).

26 09 2019 | Within the 58th Annual Meeting of the German „Gesellschaft für Wirtschafts- und Sozialwissenschaften des Landbaues“ (Gewisola), Maximilian Heigermoser presented results of his current research.

23 – 24 11 2019 | As part of the UaFoodTrade pilot project, IAMO, together with the National Wadym-Hetman University of Economics in Kiev, Ukraine, organized a two-day advanced training seminar "Applied Econometrics for Economists with R" for university teachers, researchers and PhD students in Kiev, Ukraine. [Further information on the seminar can be found here.](#)

28 - 29 11 2019 | Within the framework of the UaFoodTrade pilot project, IAMO, together with the Kyiv School of Economics (KSE), organised a [workshop entitled "Modern Research in Agricultural Economics: From Research Idea to Publication"](#) in Kiev, Ukraine.

19 12 2019 | Maximilian Heigermoser gave a presentation at the Chair Meeting of the agricultural economics chair at the Georg August University in Göttingen, Germany, about his research on price volatility on Black Sea grain markets.