15TH UBT ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Preliminary Agenda

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AGRICULTURE, FOOD SCIENCE AND NUTRITION (IC-AFSN 2026)

Date: October 24, 2026

Venue: UBT Innovation Campus – Lipjan

Saturday sessions: physical (UBT Innovation Campus – Lipjan)

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Time	Event	
	Saturday **October 24, 2026**	
08:00 – 15:00	Registration	
08:30 – 09:30	**Opening Ceremony**	
	1. Prof. Dr. Edmond Hajrizi (President of UBT) 2. Representatives from the Government Institutions of Kosovo (TBC)	
09:30 – 10:00	Coffee Break	
10:00 – 12:20	**Session 1** 401	
	Chair: Violeta Lajqi Makolli **Co-Chair:** Ismet Babaj	**10–12 min** per presentation
	Keynote speaker: **International speaker:**	
	Occurrence of Undeclared Gluten-Containing Cereal Material in Industrial and Traditional Sausages Marketed in Kosovo: A Real-Time PCR Study	Xhavit Bytyçi, Dafina Mehmetukaj, Armend Cana
	Assessment of Physicochemical Properties of Wheat Flour Supplemented with Folic Acid and Iron	Era Gavazi, Violeta Lajqi, Sami Makolli*, Blend Broqi, Flutura C. Ajazi, Cengiz Cesko
	Willingness to Pay for Traditional Food Products: Evidence from Farmers and Consumers in Kosovo	Njazi Bytyqi, Mentor Thaqi
	The Effects of Diet, Dietary Supplements, and Physical Fitness on Body Composition and Biochemical Parameters	Eglantina Kraja Bardhi, Jeton Gutaj*, Elsa Ibrahimi

	Assessment of Physicochemical and Microbiological Water Quality in an Artificial Lake Used for Drinking Water Supply: A Comparative Analysis of Two Sampling Levels in June 2024 and August 2026	Arianeta Nura, Luljeta Ajdini, Flutura C. Ajazi, Fidan Feka, Violeta Lajqi Makolli, Pajtim Bytyqi, Merisa Hoti, Veton Haziri*
	Prevalence, Associated Factors, Impact on Quality of Life, and Management of Allergic Diseases among Adults in Kosovo	Laura Binxhija Qeska, Arbnora Batalli, Greta Qeska
12:20 – 13:20	Lunch Break	
13:20 – 15:00	**Session 2** 401	
	Chair: Xhavit Bytyçi **Co-Chair:** Flutura Ajazi	
	Effects of Methylene Blue on Physiological, Biochemical, and Behavioral Responses in *Helix pomatia*	Albina Emini, Albena Kadiri, Majlinda Berisha
	The Role of the WTO in Harmonizing International Food Safety Standards: Challenges and Prospects of the Meat Sector in Kosovo	Argzon Kamberaj, Emine Daci-Zejnullahi*
	Influence of Caffeine, Taurine, Vitamin C, and Environmental Factors on Social Behaviour in Adult Zebrafish (*Danio rerio*)	Blerona Stublla, Egzona Behrami, Alketa Nuha, Fitore Rukovci, Ilir Mazreku
	Contribution of Nutrition Therapy and Physical Activity to the Improvement of Clinical Outcomes in Patients Diagnosed with Diabetes Mellitus	Dion Bardhi, Fat Taraku*, Arta Demaj
	Grapevine Viruses in Kosovo: Published Evidence, Diagnostic Gaps, and Sanitary Management Priorities	Lumta Dida, Mohamed Mannaa, Bekri Xhemaili, Agon Bunjaku, Gazmend Gjinovci
15:00 – 15:10	Coffee Break	
15:10 – 16:00	Poster Session 401	
	Consumer Perceptions of Bottled Water Quality and Safety in Kosovo: Factors Influencing Purchasing Decisions	Violeta Lajqi, Sami Makolli*, Ardea Nikqi, Veton Haziri, Arianeta Nura, Diellza Elshani
	Protective Effects of Curcumin against Hydrogen Peroxide-Induced Oxidative Stress in Earthworms (*Lumbricus* spp.)	Shpresa Canolli-Mekolli, Arnesa Hoti, Ilir Mazreku
	Food Adulteration and Food Fortification: An Analysis of Consumer Awareness and Marketing Influence	Aulona Sfishta, Nora Rrahimi Hasani
	Traditional Knowledge on the Treatment of Livestock Diseases in Kosovo, North Macedonia, and Serbia	Fahrije Fejzullahu
	Development of an Integrated Quality Control Framework for Food Production Processes	Fisnik Shaqiri, Violeta Jetullahu
	Linden (*Tilia* spp.) as an Urban Tree: Ecological and Environmental Benefits	Nexhat Balaj, Hyzer Rizani, Vezir Januzi

	Digitalization of Urban Waste Management for Enhancing Service Performance	Sami Gashi, Besa Veseli, Vehebi Sofiu*
	The Importance of B Vitamins for Human Health and Ways of Obtaining Them	Shkëlzim Ukaj, Edona Krasniqi, Smajl Rizani, Hyzer Rizani*
	Comparison of Strawberry Cultivars Based on the Quality of Processed Juice	Vezir Januzi, Fidan Feka, Nexhat Balaj, Hana Ramadani
	Assessment of Fruit Waste and By-Product Management in Kosovo's Fruit-Processing Industries	Fjolla Ejupi, Erika Bujna, Jaser Veseli, Quang D. Nguyen*
	Access to and Utilization of Electronic Services in the Dairy Industry: A Case Study of KABI Dairy in Gjilan, Kosovo	Medin Zeqiri, Valon Derguti, Fidan Feka, Xhavit Bytyçi, Mergim Mestani, Violeta Lajqi*, Ylli Bicoku
	Valorization of Agri-Food Waste in the Food Industry: Opportunities for Sustainable Resource Recovery	Lorike Salihu Berisha, Luljeta Pinguli, Leonita Salihu, Pajtim Bytyqi
18:00	**Closing Ceremony**	

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