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**Education:**

2017 Czech University of Life Sciences, Prague. Professor in Rural development (social aspects)

2007 Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Faculty of Economics and Management, study field: Regional development (Associate professor)

1995 – 2002 Charles University in Prague, Faculty of Social Sciences, PhD. in Sociology (PhD.)

1988 Charles University in Prague, Faculty of Arts, MA in Philosophy (PhDr.)

1982 – 1987 Belorussian State University Minsk (former USSR), Philosophy, Sociology and Methodology of Science

**Work experience:**

Since 2017 Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Faculty of Economics and Management, Full Professor

Since 2014 Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Faculty of Economics and Management, Department of Humanities, Head of Department

Since 2010 Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, First Vice-Rector and Vice-Rector for International Relations

2007 -2017 Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Faculty of Economics and Management, associate professor

2003 – 2010 Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Faculty of Economics and Management, Vice Dean for International Relations,

1998 – 2015 External member of the Department of Sociology of the Institute of sociological studies, Faculty of Social Sciences, Charles University Prague (lecturing in course: Transformation of possibilities of development of the Czech countryside)

1994 – 2007 Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Faculty of Economics, Department of Humanities, assistant professor

1990 – 1994 University of Agriculture Prague, Department of Humanities, junior research fellow

1989 – 1990 University of Agriculture Prague, assistant

**Research interest:** Regional development, rural development (EU LEADER approach related to social capital), social and cultural context of farming and foods, socioeconomic aspects of organic farming and organic food, sustainable agriculture, globalization and farming communities.

**International experience (long term international stays):**

1995 Ten-weeks at the Department of Rural Sociology, University of Missouri, Columbia, USA

1996 FAO Rural Development International Workshop, Gdll, Hungary

2001 Expert workshops on gender and participatory research methods in Central and Eastern European countries, Borovets, Bulgaria, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

**Membership in Scientific Associations *and editorial boards*:**

Since 2002 Member of European Society for Rural Sociology

2010-2018: Editorial board of Sociologia Ruralis (ISSN 0038-0199, Wiley-Blackwell publishers)

Since 2007 Editorial board Agricultural Economics (Zemědělská ekonomika) ISSN 0139-570X (published by Czech Academy of Agricultural Sciences)

2008-2013 Editorial board Eastern European Countryside ISSN 1232-8855 (published in Torun, Poland by Nicolas Copernicus University)

**Research and projects activities:**

*Grants participation:*

2023-2025 Grant: Assessment and implementation of Agriculture and Life Science Universities’ first Gender Equality Plans in widening countries (<https://agrigep.eu>), member of the team working on capacity building in gender mainstreaming at life science universities. Grant Agency: European Comission

2022 – 2025 Grant: Bringing Excellence to Transformative Engaged Research in Life Sciences through Integrated Digital Centres (Better LIFE). Main coordinator of the whole project. Grant agency: European Commission: Horizon – Widera (HORIZON-WIDERA-2021-ACCESS-05 Project, project ID: 101071314). See more at <https://betterlifehorizon.eu>

2021 – 2023 Name: Erasmus+ (key action 2): COVID-19 pandemic as an “opportunity window” for the transition towards new and more inclusive internationalisation through virtual mobility (COVIMO). Project coordinator: Czech University of Life Sciences. Main project coordinator. The project develops tools supporting virtual mobilities of students. Nine participating partners from Central Europe and Western Balkan. See more at https://covimo.czu.cz/en

2020 – 2024 Grant: Mountain valorization through interconnectedness and green growth (MOVING); Main coordinator: Dr. Maria del Mar Delgado Serrano, Universidad de Cordoba, Spain. Grant agency: European Commission: H2020 Research and innovation action (H2020-RUR-2019-2; Grant agreement ID: 862739), member of Czech research team (Czech team coordinator: doc. Ing. Mgr. L. Zagata, PhD.). See more at https://www.moving-h2020.eu/

2020 – 2023 Name: Erasmus+ (key action 2): Enhancement of Postgraduate Studies on Sustainable Agriculture and Future Farming Systems (SAGRIS). Project develops 4 study modules for Kazakh Ph.D. study programmes in agriculture (project coordinator: Nuertingen-Geislingen University, Německo). Blíže viz http://sagris.org/en/

2019 – 2023 Name: Erasmus+ (key action 2): Master of Sciences in Sustainable Food Production Systems. Introducing study programme in sustainable food production into universities in Albania, Kosovo and Bosnia and Herzegovina. Project coordinator: Prof. Dr. Renata Kongoli, Agricultural University of Tirana, Albania.

2018 – 2021 Grant: Kulturní tradice českého rybářství ve světle jejího využití v cestovním ruchu a krajinotvorbě (in English: Cultural tradition of Czech fishery and its utilization in tourism and landscape-forming). Project coordinator: Czech University of Life Sciences Prague, Michal Lošťák. Grant of Czech Ministry of Culture

2017 – 2019 Grant: Study of socio-technical transition of agrarian sector towards in higher sustainability; Main coordinator: doc. Mgr. Ing. Lukáš Zagata, PhD., Czech University of Life Sciences, Faculty of Economics and Management; Grant agency Czech Science Foundation (GAČR ČR)

2015 – 2018 Name: Erasmus+ (key activity 2): Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Development (<https://sarud.uni-hohenheim.de>). Introducing study programme in sustainable rural development into Russian and Kazakh universities. Project coordinator: Prof. Martin Dieterich, University of Hohenheim-Stuttgart.

2012-2014 Grant: Data network for better European organic market information (<http://www.organicdatanetwork.net>); Main coordinator: Prof. Dr. Raffaele Zanoli, Università Politecnica delle Marche, Ancona, (Italy); Grant agency: EU 7FP Collaborative Project targeted to a special group (such as SMEs)

2011-2013 Grant: Farming transitions: Pathways towards regional sustainablity of agriculture in Europe (<http://www.farmpath.eu>); Main coordinator: Dr. Lee-Ann Sutherland, The James Hutton Institute, (Unite Kingdom); Grant agency: EU 7FP Collaborative, small or medium-scale focused research project

2008-2011 Grant: Economic analysis of certification systems for organic food and farming (<http://www.certcost.org>); Main coordinator: Prof. Dr. Stephan Dabbert, Institute for farm economics, University of Hohenheim-Stuttgart (Germany); Grant agency EU 7FP Collaborative, small or medium-scale focused research project

2005-2008 Grant: Encouraging Collective Farmers Marketing Initiatives (<http://www.cofami.org>); Main coordinator: Ir. H. Renting, Dr.Ir.H. Wiskerke, Wageningen University (the Netherlands), Department of Social Science, Rural Sociology Group; Grant agency: EU 6FP STREP (contract number SSPE-CT-2005-006541)

1997-1999 Grant: Institutional Transformation in Czech Agriculture: The Behaviour of Non-farming Private Landowners; Main coordinator: Michal Lošťák; Grant agency: Research Support Scheme of the Open Society Institute/Higher Education Support Programme

1993-1996 Grant: Rural Employment and Rural Regeneration in Post-socialist Central Europe (the Czech lands, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia); Main coordinator: Dr. N. Swain, Centre for Central and Eastern European Studies, University of Liverpool; Grant agency: European Union COST research program (contract number CIPA CT92-3022);

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*Most important publications:*

Hudečková H., Lošťák, M. (1992). Privatization in Czechoslovak Agriculture: Results of a 1990 Sociological Survey. Sociologia Ruralis 32 (2-3): 287-304.

Hudečková, H., Lošťák, M. (1992). The Influence of Collectivization and Decollectivization on the Development of Rural Communities in the Czech Republic. Journal of Rural Cooperation 20 (2): 111-126.

Hudečková, H., Lošťák, M. (1997). Reactions to Globalization and Integration in the Czech Agro-Food Complex. Journal of Rural Cooperation 25 (2): 83-99.

Hudečková, H. Lošťák, M. (2002). O rurální sociologii ve výuce a výzkumu na České zemědělské univerzitě v Praze (Rural sociology in education and research at the Czech University of agriculture in Prague). Sociologický časopis 38 (1-2): 89-99

Gorlach, K., Lostak, M. Mooney, P.H. (2008). Agriculture, communities, and new social movements: East European ruralities in the process of restructuring. Journal of Rural Studies 24 (2): 161-171

Lošťák. M., Hudečková, H. 2008. Agriculture and farming related activities: their actors and position in the LEADER approach. Agricultural Economics (Zemědělská ekonomika) 54 (6): 245-262.

Lošťák, M. Hudečková, H. 2010. Preliminary results of the Leader+ approach in the Czech Republic. Agricultural Economics (Zemědělská ekonomika) 56 (6): 249-265.

Tisenkopfs, T., Kovách, I., Lošťák, M., Šumane, S. 2010. Rebuilding and Failing Collectivity: Specific Challenges for Collective Market Initiatives in Post-Socialist Countries. International Journal of Sociology of Agriculture & Food, 18 (1): 70-88. Available at: http://www.ijsaf.org/archive/18/1/tisenkopfs.pdf

Zagata, L. Lošťák. M. 2012. In Goodness We Trust. The Role of Trust and Institutions Underpinning Trust in the Organic Food Market. Sociologia Ruralis 52 (4): 470-487.

Lošťák, M., Karanikolas, P., Draganova M., Zagata L. 2015. Local quality and certification schemes as new forms of governance in sustainability transitions. Pp. 157 – 169 in Transitions Pathways towards Sustainability in Agriculture (Case studies from Europe). Edited by Lee-Ann Sutherland, Ika Darnhofer, Geoff A. Wilson and Lukas Zagata. Wallingford: CAB International

Boukalová, K., Kolářová, A., Lošťák, M. 2016. Tracing shift in Czech rural development paradigm (Reflections of Local Action Groups in media). Agricultural Economics-Zemědělská ekonomika 60 (4): 149-159.

Home, R., Gerrard, C., Hempel, C., Lošťák, M., Vieweger, A., Husák, J., Stolze, M., Hamm, U., Padel, S., Willer, H., Vairo, D. Zanoli, R. 2017. The quality of organic market data: providing data that is both fit for use and convenient. Organic Agriculture 7 (2): 141-152.

Zagata, L., Hrabák,J., Lošťák, M., Bavorová, M., Ratinger, T., Sutherland, L.A., McKee, A. 2017. Research for AGRI Committee - Young farmers - Policy implementation after the 2013 CAP reform. European Parliament, Policy Department for Structural and Cohesion Policies, Brussels. Available et: https://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/etudes/STUD/2017/602006/IPOL\_STU(2017)602006\_EN.pdf

Zagata, L., Lošťák, M. Swain, N. 2019. Family Farm Succession of the First Post-Socialist Generation in the Czech Republic. Eastern European Countryside 25: 9-35.

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