AGRICULTURAL PRODUCER GROUPS IN POLAND: EMPIRICAL SURVEY RESULTS

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Abstract

The article presents basic results from an empirical survey carried out in Poland with leaders of farmer organizations called producer groups. The main objective of the research was to understand the process of formation and the mechanism of functioning of the groups as well as to identify problems and critical points during the groups' running. The data suggest that the core element to understand the phenomena of producer groups in Poland is not only to analyze the economic and market situation of the groups, but also to investigate the nature of collective actions in their governance dimension.

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