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“UNIVERSITATEA DE ȘTIINȚE AGRICOLE ȘI
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DOCUMENTAR PENTRU DECENIUL 1990-2000”

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The volume “*Universitatea de Științe Agricole și Medicină Veterinară Cluj-Napoca - Documentar pentru deceniul 1990-2000*” (755 pages) elaborated by Ph.D. **Leon Sorin MUNTEAN**, as a Rector of the institution between 17.01.1990 – 08.02.2000, was released on 28.10.2011 within the programme of the Union of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine Universities of Romania which took place at USAMV (The University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine) of Cluj-Napoca, assisted by certain representatives of the Ministry of Education, Research, Youth and Sports, of the managing board of participating institutions of Bucharest, Timisoara, Iasi, Cluj-Napoca and other professors of Cluj.

The importance of the remarkable editorial event and the author’s contribution to the achievements revealed in the volume have been proved, next to the signer of this preview, also by Ph.D.**Doru Pamfil**, the Rector of USAMV Cluj-Napoca, by Ph.D. **Alexandru Sonea**, the manager of MECTS, by the author, his colleagues and assistants.



In the volume, structured as a documentary material, there are highlighted the achievements in the decade 1990-2000 regarding the organization and structure of the university (chapter 1) and of the faculties (chapters 2-5), followed by other published documentary materials or archive materials (some of them in fax copies), from the legislatures 1990-1992, 1992-1996, 1996-2000. The structure of the faculties, the employed personnel, the content of the education and scientific research, the international collaborations etc. (chapters 2-5) are presented in five periods (1990, 1992, 1994, 1996, 1999), which define the evolution of the faculties of the universities in the decade 1990-2000.

Beginning with the decision of the new chosen Senate, in January 1990, concerning the organization of the University in four faculties Agriculture, Horticulture, Zootechnics, veterinary medicine – in the volume there are recorded their achievements in 1990-2000 decade, the foundation of the new specialties for all forms of education, the development of the material resources for these ones, the modernization of education and scientific research, the initiation and development of international collaboration. In this decade of reference in the evolution of the agronomic academic education of Cluj took place its integration in the European and world circuit of values, of consolidation of its academic status, it adopted an authentic academic autonomy, the introduction of the credit system, the use of extra budgetary resources, the introduction of financial autonomy and global financing, the compatibility of the education with the European one, qualifications in co guardianship, the creation of some centers of excellence, the development of doctoral studies and of international collaboration relationships, the students' study and practice abroad which opened new horizons for teaching staff and students' professional training. Since 1991 until 1999, 20 *Doctor Honoris Causa* titles were awarded by the university to some scientific personalities in the country and abroad, young, valuable teaching staff was promoted who is leading today disciplines and academic departments, and some of them even advanced in leading positions at the faculty and university level.

We can notice the essential contribution of the Rector, Ph.D. **Leon Sorin MUNTEAN** to the development and modernization of the academic agronomic education of Cluj during 1999-2000 decade, the increase of its consideration, as well as the effort of achieving this valuable documentary, which reveals a certain stage in the evolution of the institution. During his entire activity, he has proved devotion for the institution he works for and respect for his assistants. In this respect, we can quote from the author:

“For the achievements of 1990-2000 decade, which opened new horizons in the subsequent evolution of the university, colleagues and assistants, the entire staff of the university – authors of these achievements – my entire gratitude and appreciation”

We mention that Ph.D. Leon Sorin MUNTEAN is a tenure member of the Academy of Agricultural and Sylvan Sciences, the member within the presidium of this academic body and a tenure member of the Academy of Scientists of Romania. He is the President of Cluj-Napoca Subsidiary of the Academy of Agricultural and Sylvan Sciences, since its foundation (2002), leading its destiny with competence, fact which honours the field of the Romanian agronomic scientific research.

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