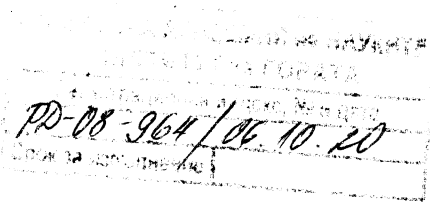


# OPINION



from

Prof. Eng. Valentin Alexandrov Nikolov PhD, VTU "T. Kableshkov"- Sofia  
on the materials submitted for participation in a competition for the academic  
position of "Associate Professor"

on

Professional field 6.5 "Forestry", scientific specialty "Forest reclamation, forest  
protection and special uses in forests"  
announced by the Institute of Forests - BAS in SG No. 44 / 04.06.2019

## **Candidate for participation in the competition:**

**Ch. assistant Svetozar Ivanov Madzhov PhD, Department of Forestry and  
Forest Resources Management - BAS**

### **I. Brief biographical data.**

Svetozar Madzhov was born on 04.10.1976 in the city of Sofia.  
He received his secondary education at the French Language High School in Sofia  
and his higher education at University Of Forest Sofia.

Since 2004 he has PhD. He has a qualification "Master of Business  
Administration" from UNWE Sofia and a postgraduate qualification from UACG  
Sofia.

He has held senior positions in private business, and since 08.2016 he has  
been a Ch. assistant at the the Forest Research Institute BAS.

**II. Compliance of the submitted documents and materials of the  
candidate with the minimum requirements, according to the regulations for  
acquiring scientific degrees and holding academic positions at the Forest  
Research Institute - BAS.**

The documents submitted by Ch. Assistant Svetozar Madzhov PhD meet  
the minimum requirements for the academic position of "Associate Professor"  
according to the Regulations on the topic of the Forest Research Institute- BAS.

### **III. General description of the presented materials**

The presented materials are detailed and very well arranged according to the legal and regulatory requirements for holding the academic position of "Associate Professor".

### **IV. Main directions in the research work of the candidate and the most important scientific and scientific-applied contributions.**

The main areas in which the candidate works are "Repair, maintenance and development of the forest road network", "Technology and mechanization of forestry" and "Logistical support of forestry". In these areas are his most significant scientific and scientific-applied contributions.

### **V. Reflection of the candidate's scientific publications in the literature.**

The publications of Ch. Assistant Svetozar Madzhov PhD are reflected in a total of 68 citations, one of which is in a referenced and indexed edition in world databases.

### **VI. Participation in research projects**

Ch. assistant Svetozar Madzhov PhD has participated in a total of 12 research projects, of which 4 national, 6 international and 2 are supervisors.

### **VII. Teaching activity**

Due to the specifics of the candidate's position at the Forest Institute, his scientific and applied activity predominates.

### **VIII. Assessment of the candidate's personal contribution.**

For me, the personal contribution of the candidate in the scientific and scientifically applied contribution is indisputable.

### **IX. Critical remarks and recommendations.**

To focus its future activities on improving the regulatory framework for the design of forest roads and creating a new one for construction and maintenance.

**X. Personal impressions.**


Universal educated and dynamic person with potential for growth.

**Conclusion:**

**In connection with the above, I propose Ch. assistant Svetozar Ivanov Madzhov PhD to be elected "Associate Professor" in professional field 6.5 "Forestry", scientific specialty " Silviculture and Management of Forest Resources"**

29.10.2020

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