REVIEW

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on materials submitted for participation in competition to the academic position of "associate professor"

at "Paisii Hilendarski" University of Plovdiv

by: field of higher education 3. Social, economic and legal sciences professional direction 3.8. Economics /Geoeconomics and regional economics/

In "associate professor" competition, announced in the State Gazette No. 39/02.05.2023 and on the website of Plovdiv University "Paisiy Hilendarski" for the needs of the Department of Economic Sciences at the Faculty of "Economic and Social Sciences", as a candidate participates Ch. Assistant Professor Delyan Ivanov Angelov, Ph.D., from the Department of Economic Sciences.

1. General presentation of the received materials

Application to the Rector, curriculum vitae, diplomas, incl. diploma for the scientific degree Ph.D., list of scientific works, paper separation report, list of citations, reference to the national minimum requirements, reference to additional requirements of the University of Plovdiv, annotation of the materials for the competition, self-assessment of the contributions, statement of credibility, certificate of work experience, certificate of educational activity, certificate of participation in projects, publications, etc.

Subject:

By order No. PD-21-1405 dated 30.06.2023 of the Rector of the Plovdiv University "Paisiy Hilendarski" (PU) I have been appointed as a member of the scientific jury of a competition for the academic position of 'associate professor' in the PU in the field of higher education 3 .Social, economic and legal sciences, professional direction 3.8.Economics /Geoeconomics and regional economy/, announced for the needs of the Department of Economic Studies at the Faculty of "Economic and Social Sciences".

The only one candidate submitted documents for participation in the announced competition:

Ch. Assistant Professor Dr. Delyan Ivanov Angelov - Department of "Economic Sciences", Faculty of "Economic and Social Sciences" of Plovdiv University "Paisiy Hilendarski".

The presented by Ch. assistant professor, Dr. Delyan Ivanov Angelov, a set of paper materials is in accordance with the Regulations for the Development of the Academic Staff of the PU, and includes the following documents:

Copies of publications, Application to the rector, curriculum vitae, diplomas incl. diploma for the scientific degree PhD, list of scientific works, separation report, list of citations, reference to the national minimum requirements, reference to additional requirements of the University of Plov-div, annotation of the materials for the competition, self-evaluation of the contributions, declaration of credibility, certificate of work experience, certificate of educational activity, certificate of participation in projects, publications, etc.

The candidate Ch. assistant professor Dr. Delyan Ivanov Angelov has submitted a total of 13 scientific works, 2 studies, 2 independent monographs, one collective monograph, two textbooks for higher education institutions and a list of participations in research projects. 13 scientific works that are outside the dissertation are accepted for review and are taken into account in the final evaluation.

All documents are submitted correctly and meet the requirements set forth by the Law on the Development of the Academic Staff in the Republic of Bulgaria (LDASRB), the Regulations for the Implementation of the LDASRB and the relevant Regulations of PU "Paisii Hillendarski".

The candidate in the competition has fulfilled in quantitative and qualitative terms the requirements for occupying the academic position of associate professor.

The publications presented by the candidate represent current scientific research in the field of the announced competition and create a positive impression of competent knowledge in the field of geoeconomics and regional economics.

2. Brief biographical data of the candidate

Ch. Assistant Professor Delyan Angelov, Ph.D., has been working at Paisii Hilendarski University of Plovdiv since 2001. He successively held the titles of assistant and chief assistant and defended his doctorate. He mainly teaches geoeconomics and regional economics. He has extensive teaching experience with very good feedback from students. The scientific publications and the disciplines he teaches are within the scope of the an-

nounced competition. Actively participates in all university events. The candidate is for years chairaman of the geography exam's student-applicant jury at Plovdiv University.

3. General characteristics of the applicant's activity

The educational activity of the candidate corresponds to the announced competition. The lecture courses are presented in an original and interesting way to the students. Uses a lot of visual multimedia materials.

It is clear from the submitted documents that the candidate has a variety of scientific and applied activities, participates in the creation of academic disciplines, gives lectures, etc. He conducts classes on the subject of the announced competition and has extensive teaching experience. There is compliance of the candidate's academic competence with the declared scientific specialty of the competition.

The candidate has submitted a sufficient number of scientific works published after the materials used in the defense of the PhD degree. The candidate's works contain original scientific and applied contributions that have received international recognition, a representative part of which has been published in journals and scientific collections issued by prestigious academic publishing houses. His theoretical developments have practical applicability, and some of them are directly oriented to academic work. The scientific and teaching qualification of the candidate ch. assistant Angelov is at a very high level.

In the presented scientific publications of the candidate ch. assistant professor Delyan Angelov, the following more important scientific and scientific-applied proposals with the nature of contributions stand out:

In the monograph №01, the social problems of the city in their interconnectedness /urban planning, migration, demographic, etc./ were studied and analyzed. The deepening socio-economic disparities and inequalities are investigated. Original ideas for solving the urban problems are explained.

In publication №02, the most important established and new terms in the field of urban planning and urban economics are presented in one place. This publication has a practical focus on many areas - architecture, urban planning, geography, economics, demography, sociology, etc.

In Monograph №03, disproportions and spatial inequalities are investigated and the reason and possible ways to overcome spatial inequalities are clearly and argumentatively presented.

The collective monograph №04 examines the positive experience of the European policy for sustainable development of cities and possible policies for urban development in Bulgaria. The conclusion is clearly and well-argued that the intertwined problems - economic, ecological-social, demographic, etc. can only be solved with an integrated complex approach with measures in education, economic development, environmental protection, etc.

In publication №05, a model for the use of digital portfolios was researched and applied, and a drastic increase in their use was established through their application in crisis conditions. This, in turn, will lead to a reduction in the demographic imbalance in the settlements.

In a series of articles №6, 12, 13, the current trends in labor force movement, economic migrations, territorial location in the formation of economic regions, environmental protection, etc. are analyzed.

The university textbook on Geoeconomics is highly applicable in the conditions of crises, independent preparation, visualizes the study of the material. Very clear and easy to understand the topics studied.

3. Evaluation of the candidate's personal contribution

I accept contributions in the indicated directions. Publications are the personal work of the candidate.

4. Critical remarks and recommendations

There are no significant deficits in the candidate's research and teaching activities, the mentioned recommendations are intended to provide guidelines for improving his future work and future research. I recommend the candidate to continue with the writing of text-books, participation in international scientific forums abroad and involvement in scientific and scientific applied projects.

5. Personal impressions

I have known the associate professor candidate for over ten years. My impressions are that he is very responsible, disciplined and dedicated to his work. Student reviews of his work are very good. Regarding the scientific research work, he tries to get into the details of the researched problems.

CONCLUSION

The achievements of Ch. assistant professor, Dr. Delyan Angelov, the results in the educational and scientific-research activity fully correspond to the minimum national and additional requirements, adopted in connection with the Rules of the PU for the application of the LDASRB.

After getting acquainted with the materials and scientific works presented in the competition, analyzing their significance and the scientific, scientific-applied and applied contributions contained in them, I find it reasonable to give my positive assessment and recommend to the Scientific Jury to prepare a report-proposal to the Faculty Council of the Faculty of Economic and Social Sciences for the election of the Ch. Assistant Professor, Dr. Delyan Angelov, to the academic position of "Associate Professor" at PU "Paisiy Hilendarski" in: field of higher education 3. Social, economic and legal sciences, professional direction 3.8. Economics /Geoeconomics and regional economics/.

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