education. On the other hand, an unbalanced development, certain dependence on the export of raw materials and not everywhere efficient infrastructure are typical of Russia. From the political standpoint, the state guarantees stability through a control regime. The legislative framework has some shortcomings in the field of redundancy of normative legal acts, but the Constitution guarantees the basic rights and freedoms of citizens.

Afghanistan which has a low per capita income, poor infrastructure and weak social protection can be regarded as an underdeveloped agrarian country. The political situation in the country is considered to be in crisis and uncertainty. Afghan legislative framework is not effective and does not protect the rights of the population.

As a result of the research we can conclude that investments come to countries with a high level of economic confidence which directly depends on the development of the country and leads to increased investment, economic development and improved wellbeing of the population.

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THE ROLE OF UNIVERSITY IN THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS (THE CASE OF BNTU)

Роль университета в социально-экономическом развитии Республики Беларусь (на примере БНТУ)

Currently in the context of globalization, universities are becoming centers of social and economic progress, acting as centers for skills training, innovation and research. They not only provide educational services, but also act as key motivators of innovation, training and participation in influencing national policy.

The purpose of this research is to determine the contribution of the Belarusian National Technical University (hereinafter – BNTU) to the social and economic development of the Republic of Belarus, as well as BNTU's impact on the development of the country in common.

The result of the scientific research is the definition of BNTU as an independent economic entity, which contributes to the development of regions, support of small and medium-sized businesses. The impact of BNTU can be considered in several key aspects:

First of all, it is the training of highly qualified employees. BNTU is the country's leading technical university, which trains specialists for a lot of sectors such as mechanical engineering, construction, energy, information technology, transport and others. Also it is scientific and technical research and innovation. BNTU is actively involved in conducting

scientific research aimed at solving urgent technical and economic problems in the Republic of Belarus.

It is the support of industrial and technological development. Many of the projects and developments carried out by BNTU are of direct practical importance for the industry of the Republic of Belarus. The University cooperates with large Belarusian enterprises such as BELAZ, MAZ, MTW, Gomselmash and others. One more aspect is an innovative ecosystem. BNTU is an active participant in the creation and development of technology parks, startups and incubators.

BNTU actively cooperates with foreign universities and organizations, which helps the Republic of Belarus integrate into the international educational and scientific space. BNTU is among the best universities in the world according to international educational institution rankings (QS World University Ranking, Webometrics).

Moreover, under the chapter 8 of the Programme of Socio-economic development of the Republic of Belarus in 2021–2025, signed by the Order of the President of the Republic of Belarus 29.07.2021 №292 «The state's foreign economic activity will be aimed at high-quality export growth and its geographical diversification, increasing the contribution of integration processes to economic growth» [1]. In order to increase the export of educational services, BNTU is continuously working to expand the range of educational services for foreign citizens. So, in recent years, the number of programmes in English has been increased. Experimental 2-year master's degree programmes have been opened. The practice of distance learning is expanding within the framework of the BNTU International Institute of Distance Education and the preparatory department for foreign citizens. Such cooperation facilitates the exchange of experience, knowledge and technologies, which improves the quality of education and scientific research in Belarus.

Thus, BNTU is a key link in the system of social and economic development of Belarus. BNTU plays a huge role not only in employee training, but also in the development of science, technology and innovation, which together strengthens the national economy and improves the quality of life of the population. In the context of global challenges and changes, the university remains an important institution capable of ensuring the sustainable development of the Republic of Belarus.

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