



**Dušan Dj. Kovačević**, Full Professor at the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Belgrade, was born in 1954 in Indjija, Vojvodina province, R.Serbia. He completed primary and grammar school in Indjija. He graduated from the Faculty of Agriculture, University of Belgrade in 1978. He received his MSc degree at the same faculty in 1983, as well as PhD degree after defending his doctoral thesis entitled “Effect of different ways of presowing tillage and care measures on the changes of some physical properties of soil and maize yield in continuous cropping and two-field crop rotation” in 1989. He was elected Teaching Assistant for the course General Crop Science at the Faculty of Agriculture in Zemun in 1978, Assistant Professor in 1990, Associate Professor in 1996 and Full Professor in 2001, a corresponding member of the Academy of Engineering Sciences of Serbia since 2009.

As a Graduate Assistant and Teaching Assistant he conducted laboratory sessions in undergraduate courses General Crop Science to the students at the Department of Crop Science. After being elected and re-elected Assistant Professor, he undertook a great activity in teaching the courses Crop and Vegetable Science at the Department of Soil Management. He was elected Associate Professor in 1996, and Full Professor in 2001 for the course General Crop Science which he has taught since then to the students at the Department of Crop Science at the Faculty of Agriculture in Zemun. Since 1998 he has taught the courses General Crop Science and Organic Agriculture as a visiting professor at the Faculty of Agriculture in East Sarajevo. He teaches the following undergraduate courses: General Crop Science 1, General Crop Science 2, Principles of Organic Plant Production at the Department of Crop and Vegetable Sciences; Basics of Agricultural Practices (Department of Horticulture); Organic Field Crop Production (Department of Phytomedicine, Department of Horticulture). At master’s studies, he teaches the course in Organic Crop Science and at doctoral studies he teaches the courses in Organic Field Crop Production (partially), System for Weed Control in Field Crop.

He was a supervisor of over 350 graduation theses, and he has been a commission member involved in the viva voce of about 450 graduation theses at the Department of Crop Science, Department of Soil Management and Department of Plant Protection. He has been a commission member involved in the viva voce of fifteen doctoral theses and one master's thesis at Faculty of Agriculture in Zemun. He was a supervisor of seven doctoral theses, one master's and specialist thesis. Currently, he is a supervisor of two doctoral theses.

On the experimental estate of the Faculty of Agriculture - Zemun called "Radmilovac" he has been responsible for the operations management of field trials of the Department of Cultural Practices and Agroecology since 1992 which have contributed to the improvement of practical teaching for students of all levels of studies apart from significant scientific and practical results in the field of tillage, crop rotation and organic production.

From 1999 to 2001 he was Head of the Department of Crop Science. Since 2001 he has been Head of the Division of Cultural Practices and Agroecology at the Department of Crop and Vegetable Sciences at the Faculty of Agriculture in Belgrade - Zemun.

He is a member of several associations important in areas of science, primarily Serbian Society of Soil Tillage Research Organization, Member of the Serbian Academy of Science and Arts, Committee for rural development, Herbology Association of Serbia and European Weed Research Society. Since 2013 he has been a president of Serbian Soil Tillage Research Organization.

As the sole author or in collaboration with other authors he has published over 300 scientific papers. He has published as the sole author the university textbook General Crop Science (two editions), six monographs of national importance and another 4 in collaboration with other authors as well as two university books of exercises. He was an editor of five monographs based on the presentations made at the international conferences. He is an organiser and president of the scientific board of a number of national and international symposia on the field of agriculture.