



## Changing the role of state in agricultural extension

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The present tendency in world-wide agriculture for creating more commercial production and marketing relations has as a natural result changing the role of state in financing and supporting the extension services. Of course, the reasons for renouncing to a part of state prerogatives in this field and transferring them to other organisations that offer extension for beneficiaries are more complex, including the continuous change of needs expected from agriculture, taking into consideration the improving of the technology, increasing the negative aspects of public extension correlating with the advantages of a privatised system and the list is still open. In that direction, the paper work tries to take a look at those reasons and to set up the sectors of agricultural extension in which government must be involved for better results both for state and beneficiaries.