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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<p>Compulsory REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is the manuscript important for scientific community?</p> <p>2. Is the title of the article suitable?</p> <p>3. Is the abstract of the article comprehensive?</p> <p>4. Are subsections and structure of the manuscript appropriate?</p> <p>5. Do you think the manuscript is scientifically correct?</p>	<p>The trends in the development of the export of agricultural products, as well as the concern for the sustainable development of agricultural enterprises in China, represent arguments in favor of the significance of the theme addressed in the research. The risks faced by agricultural enterprises are, however, an important aspect of business activity that requires special attention. International settlement risks, in their turn, require a priority approach, with the intention of making the enterprises' activity more efficient, especially by minimizing the dangers of insufficient funds for the reproductive process, along with other benefits of their effective management. Approaching the risks through the prism of the concrete experience of the agricultural producer indisputably provides an increase in knowledge of the problem and relevance of the recommendations made. On the basis of what has been exposed, we can deduce with certainty the significance of the manuscript for the scientific community.</p> <p>The title of the article corresponds to the problem addressed, therefore it is suitable, but needs a correct translation into English. At the same time, with the intention of improving the scientific quality of the manuscript, it is recommended to exclude the name of the enterprise from the title if the author(s) will consider the recommendation presented below to include more agricultural enterprises in the study.</p> <p>The abstract contains the necessary basic elements: the purpose of the research, the basic methods used, the main findings. Therefore, it can be considered comprehensive enough.</p> <p>The manuscript contains the following subsections: Introduction; Relevant concepts and literature review; Current situation of trade and export settlement of agricultural products in China; Status of AGRIGULF's export settlement and its risks; Recommendations for AGRIGULF settlement risk management; Conclusion; References. The subsections listed are adequate, but not sufficient: in the work there is no a distinct characteristic of the research methodology - the research methods are addressed only in the abstract of the work and mentioned in the basic content. In the context of the above, it is recommended to include the subcomponent: "Material and method" or "Research methodology".</p> <p>Already at this stage the manuscript proves a considerable effort made by the author(s) to achieve the proposed goals. The recommendations made as a result of the study undoubtedly have theoretical and practical value. At the same time, without diminishing the scientific-practical significance of the research carried out, there are a number of aspects that require additional interventions, so as to ensure optimal correctness of the work:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Literature review, being conducted based on only 5 sources, cannot be proof of a comprehensive theoretical study. At the same time, both in this component of the manuscript and in others, where certain aspects of the addressed problem are exposed, it is difficult to identify the contribution of the author(s) in the conceptualization of some terms or the formulation of some reasonings related to the theoretical approach to the subject. Thus, a deeper review of the literature and a more eloquent presentation of one's own position vis-à-vis the opinions of other quoted authors is recommended; 2. The monographic study is carried out on the basis of a single enterprise, this represents the basic limitation of the research - in order to come up with recommendations valid for all agricultural producers operating with exports, it is relevant and logical to conduct studies on a series of enterprises, and not only on one alone; 3. In order to gain a deeper understanding of the main types of agricultural settlement risks of AGRIGULF, the author/authors used the interview, but, as mentioned in the paper, 	

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<p>6. Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestion of additional references, please mention in the review form.</p>	<p>having only one respondent: „To gain a deeper understanding of the main types of agricultural settlement risks of AGRIGULF, we adopt the interview method, go to the company's location, and invite its general manager to have a face-to-face conversation to understand the risks existing in the actual process of the company's agricultural settlement...". Thus, even if other research methods were also used such as observation, economic-statistical analysis, etc., the value of the applied interview is minimal, being applied to a single respondent. To remedy the problem, it is recommended to conduct the interview on a larger sample of respondents;</p> <p>4. In the manuscript we are faced with the following ambiguity: „...this paper takes a small and medium-sized enterprise specializing in the export trade of agricultural products - AGRIGULF company as the research object..." - the analyzed enterprise refers to the category of small and medium-sized enterprises, but it cannot be both small and medium-sized at the same time. So it has to be made concrete;</p> <p>5. Tables 1-3 state the following as data sources: „<i>AGRIGULF business information</i>". It is necessary to specify the concrete source(s) of the data: certain internal documents, statistical forms, etc. For the data presented in table 1, a figure, not a table, was more relevant. It is not correct to draw up a table with only one indicator;</p> <p>6. Figure 1 is missing the data source. In the same figure, the indicator: "total imports and exports" is not clear - it is more relevant to analyze imports and exports separately, not presented cumulatively;</p> <p>7. Being already in the year 2024, we cannot refer to forecasts for the year 2022 of the type: „In 2022, China's foreign trade in agricultural products will amount to 337,238 million U.S. dollars, of which imports amounted to 237,920 million U.S. dollars and exports of 99.318 billion U.S. dollars, the trade deficit widened to 138.603 billion U.S. dollars.”.</p> <p>As previously mentioned, the author(s) have used only 5 sources, which is not enough, taking into account the significance of the subject addressed, but also the fact that it is a subject of many scientific debates and can be found in many publications. At the same time, we can identify sequences of information, including numerical ones, where the source is not clear. For example, in <i>2.1 International Settlement Risk and Its Classification</i>, settlement risk is defined and a classification of export settlement risk is presented without specifying any source. In <i>3.1 International trade in agricultural products status</i> reference is made to data of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of the People's Republic of China, the concrete source of these data being omitted.</p> <p>A wider incursion of published scientific works would allow the author(s) to substantially improve the literature review. In this context, I will present only a few scientific publications on the topic of the research that could be used by the author(s) (the decision belongs to them, of course).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Rozhkova' A.V., N A Dalisova, N.A. Risk management in the export activities of agricultural enterprises. https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1755-1315/677/2/0220482. Tanaka,T., Hosoe, N. Does agricultural trade liberalization increase risks of supply-side uncertainty?: Effects of productivity shocks and export restrictions on welfare and food supply in Japan. https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S03069192110002613. Komarek, A.M., Alessandro De Pinto, Vincent H. Smith, V.H. A review of types of risks in agriculture: What we know and what we need to know. https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0308521X183120344. Chen, L. The effect of China's RMB exchange rate movement on its agricultural export: A case study of export to Japan. https://www.emerald.com/insight/content/doi/10.1108/17561371111103525/full/html?fullSc=1&mbSc=15. Polukhin, I.V. Leonidova, A.L., Tsvetyskh, A.V. Economic security indicators of agricultural export. https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1755-1315/421/2/022019/meta	
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<p>Minor REVISION comments</p> <p>1. Is language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?</p>	<p>The work requires a linguistic redaction, a vast series of translation errors being committed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • incomplete sentences like: „The rapid development of foreign trade”, or „Yang Min (2020) that political factors, social factors with instability will affect the international trade environment, China's importers and exporters to pay for the supply of the two key links bring great risk, while the exchange rate and the market are directly related to commodity prices, commodity price fluctuations will bring different degrees of risk”; • too long, incorrectly worded sentences, from which it is difficult to perceive the meaning: ”With the continuous development of international trade in agricultural products, international settlement as one of the key links in international trade, export settlement has been rapidly developed, but also faces a serious test: on the one hand, from the point of view of the complexity of the international settlement itself, due to the international settlement business into the Chinese market at a late date, the development of the initial stage, compared with the traditional large-scale enterprises, small and medium-sized enterprises can not get rid of the constraints of the external macro-environment”. 	
<p>Optional/General comments</p>	<p>The manuscript is of theoretical-practical interest and, after making a series of adjustments and corrections, it can serve as a methodological benchmark in agricultural exports` risk management.</p>	

PART 2:

	<p>Reviewer's comment</p>	<p>Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</p>
<p>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</p>	<p><i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i></p>	

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