## Racha Landscape Sustainability and Agricultural Development Perspectives

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The master thesis deals with the agriculture of Racha, one of the most diverse landscaped regions, its potential and perspectives. It discusses the current situation and identifies priority areas among the agricultural areas of the region.

The paper consists of three chapters, the first chapter describes the natural diversity of the region, soil-vegetation, climate and inland waters, landscapes that are transformed by natural and anthropogenic factors.

The second chapter is dedicated to agriculture, in particular one of the most important areas of the region, where more than half of the able-bodied population is employed. The problems of the main fields and the ways to solve them are reviewed.

The third chapter covers the natural processes of the region, since Racha is a mountainous region, located in the valley of the river Rioni and its tributaries. All natural disasters are developed here: earthquakes, landslides, mudslides, erosions, floods, flash floods, which threaten all sectors, including agriculture.

Finally, a conclusion and recommendations are given. The research process uses a multi-component method, the research is based on the analysis of both primary and secondary information.