



# The perspectives of Southern Great Plain in agribusiness

networking and cross-sectoral linkages

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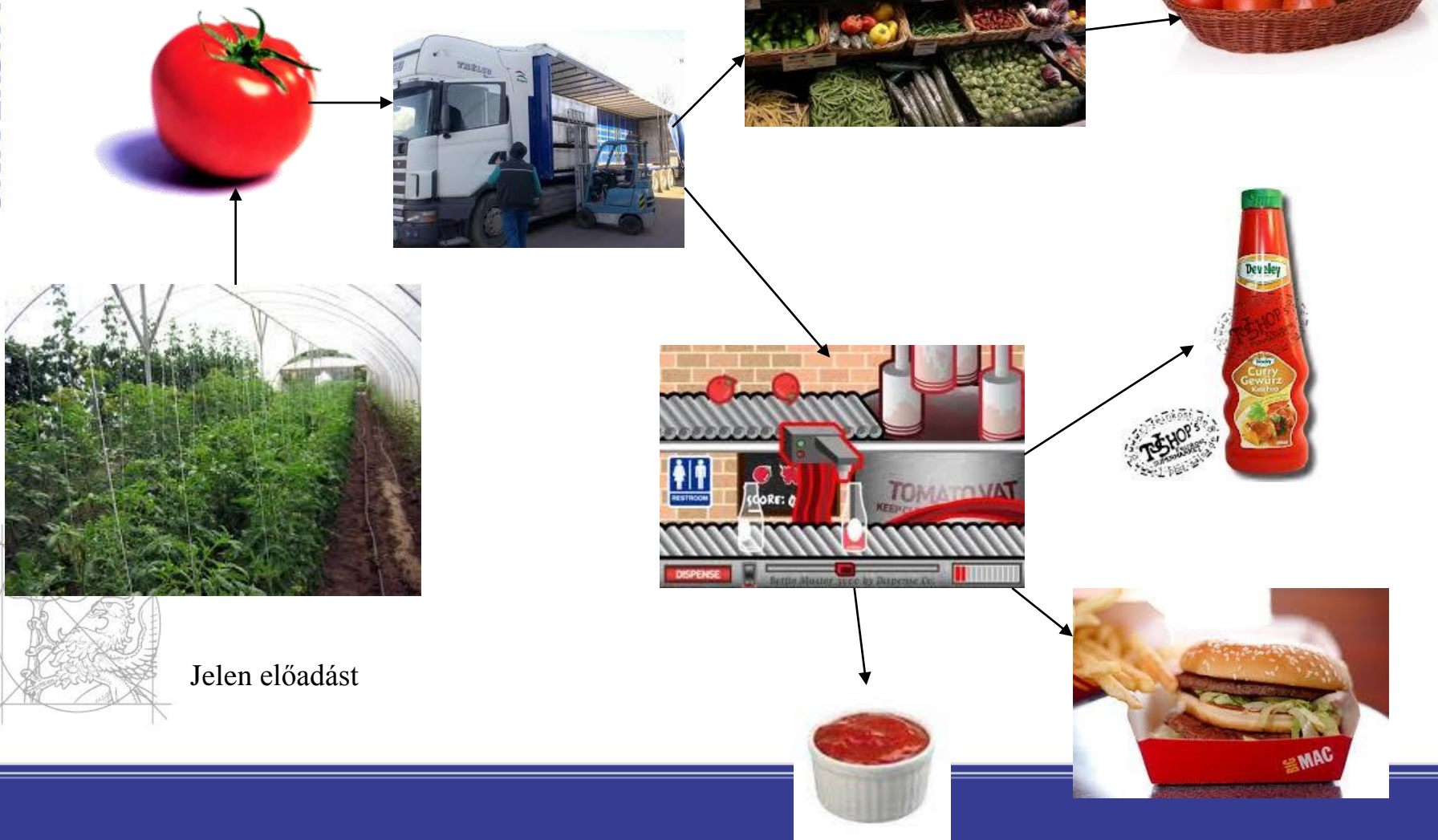
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# Food-economy and agribusiness



Jelen előadást

# Value chain and agribusiness

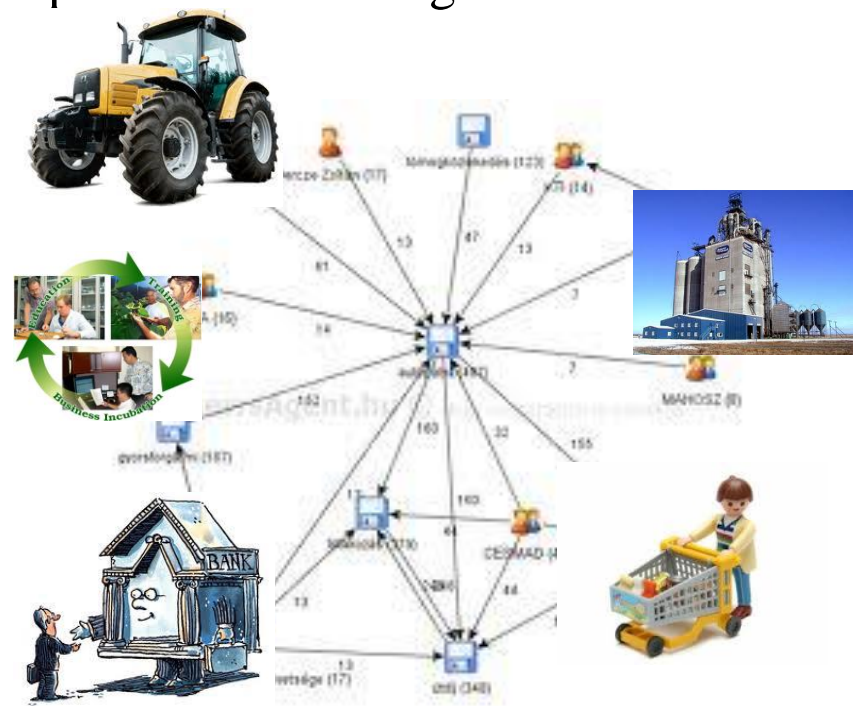
„agribusiness is the linking connected sectors of agrofood value chains. It provides inputs to the agrarian sector, and it links the farm sector to consumers through the handling, processing, transportation, marketing, and distribution of food and other agricultural products.

Supplier and producer for agrarian production – complete agrarian sector – food industry – retail and marketing channels (functional connected economic sectors, they produce goods for consumption)

- Tecnology
- Economys of scale
- Capiatal and investment
- Global business activity
- Quality and management

The gross competitiveness of agribusiness depends on individual competitiveness of connecting sectors

Connecting sectors and economic performances in agribusiness



# The importance of agribusiness in economic structure

## Germany (2010)

Agriculture in itself gives not more than 1% of gross production value, 0,7 % of gross value added (GVA) , and 2 % of employment on the level of national economy.

Gross contribution of agribusiness the sectors accounts for more than **8,7 % of gross production value, 6,6 % of GVA, and 12,4 % of employment** on the national level of economy.

## Netherlands

Agribusiness sector produce 11 % of GDP inside the national borders, the export of food- and agrarian products accounts for 12% of GDP

The performance of agribusiness adds up to 23 % of economy's GDP

## USA

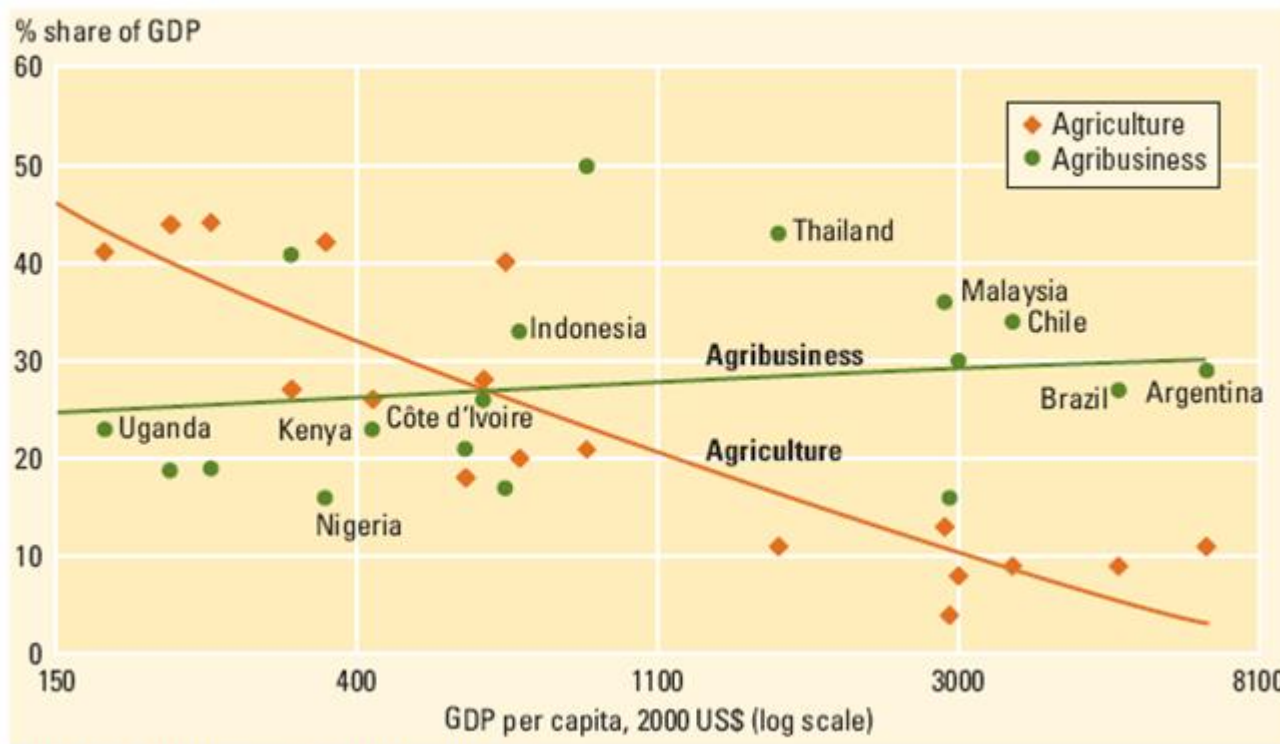
Agribusiness produce 15% of GDP





# The importance of agribusiness in economic structure

Figure 1. The contribution of agriculture and agribusiness to GDP in relation with the GDP per capita



Source: World Bank Report (2008, 135.)

synergies between agribusiness and the performance of agriculture for development

# Network - mechanism and rethinking the structure

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Type of power	Retailers	Food processors
Legitimate or position	Favors large retailers due to relatively larger number of food processors	Favors large processors that have popular brands Favors medium-sized processors that produce private label brands for retailers
Coercive	Dominant firms can force concessions from processors, especially small and medium-sized ones	Large processors with branded products can threaten to withhold supply
Reward	Rarely evident or used by retailers	Processors use rewards to influence retailer behavior Potential for bribery
Expert	Point-of-sale scanner data can give retailers an advantage	Marketing knowledge of branded products, though marketing studies by third parties can weaken processor advantages
Referent	Private label brands gives retailers access to production and development information and greater control over some vertical supply chains	Popular brands as sale leaders, as well as production knowledge, gives an advantage to processors

Note: Summary of examination of participant comments from July 2010 public meeting of the committee on food, agriculture and consumer protection of the German parliament.

Source: Hanf et. Al (2013, 222.)

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Table 3 Classification of AAFN model forms

Dimension	Networking	Coordination	Cooperation	Collaboration
Relationship among Producers	Direct on Farm sale; Pick up your own your pick, Collective buying groups	Farmer's markets; Collective buying groups	Box schemes; Community-supported agriculture	Box schemes  Collective farmer shops
Relationship among Consumers	Direct on farm sale; Pick your own or you pick; Farmer's markets; Collective farmer shops		Box schemes	Community-supported agriculture; Collective buying groups
Relationship between Producers and Consumers	Direct on farm sale; Farmer's markets; Collective farmer shops	Direct on farm sale, Farmer's markets Collective farmer shops; Collective buying groups	Pick your own or you pick	Box schemes Community-supported agriculture

Source: Ammirato et al. (2013, 298)

# Network - mechanism and rethinking the structure

*Alternative network model in structure of agribusiness (alternative agrofood networks - AAFNs)*

**Relationship among Producers:** in cooperation and collaboration based network models need strong relationships among producers, to reach their common goal. This means more common goal-oriented risk taking, commitment, and added resources that producers have to invest into joint endeavor. In other AAFN' forms the close relationship between producers is not required.

**Relationship among Consumers:** Similar to the previous dimension the AAFN' forms with more cooperative behaviour require a more complex relationship management because of the resource investment, commitment, and risk sharing taken by groups of consumers. Opposite to these, in networking and coordination organization forms where consumers only concentrate on commination and information sharing, which sometime concludes other activities, but the values and goals remain individual.

**Relationship between Producers and Consumers:** Some forms of AAFN requires both the producers and the consumers strong relationship. Both actor makes commitment, shares the risks and provides resources for joint endeavor. As a result of co-working there is a common plan to achieve compatible or joint goals. This implies mutual trust and therefore it takes time, effort, and dedication. The networking and coordination forms indicates a lower complexity of relationship management.



# Agribusiness in Region Southern Great Plain

## *Agribusiness in Hungary*

sector faced divergent proceedings in the past 20 years

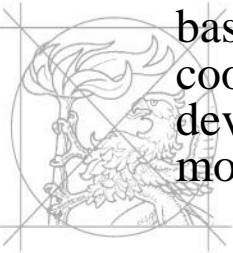
economic transaction, the failing of Comecon market system, the privatisation in food industry in parallel the disintegration of concentrated agrarian organisations has disaggregate the previous value chain, and food product channels in production of economy

### **Structural problems**

- Low standard of processing in agrarian sector
- Desintegration of home based food industry (Role of MNCs)
- Retail sector is absolutely driven by Supermarkets
- The shrinking of home markets

### **Adequate policy**

for an competitive hungarian agribusiness sector it is absolutely essential the creation of an progressive and financial sustainable business model, that is based on concentration (assets and capital), economies of scale, and cooperation. The agribusiness policy plays an important role in rural territorial development and improving of socio-economic life conditions, because it is the most important and adequate basis of rural economy.



# Agribusiness in Region Southern Great Plain

Regions features and traditions in food production capacities and the potential of linking sectors the agribusiness – mostly the food-industry

## **networkbased agribusiness model**

On the side of production

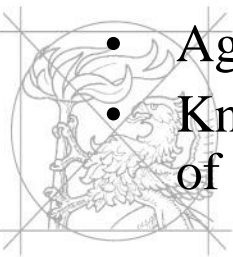
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On the side of marketing

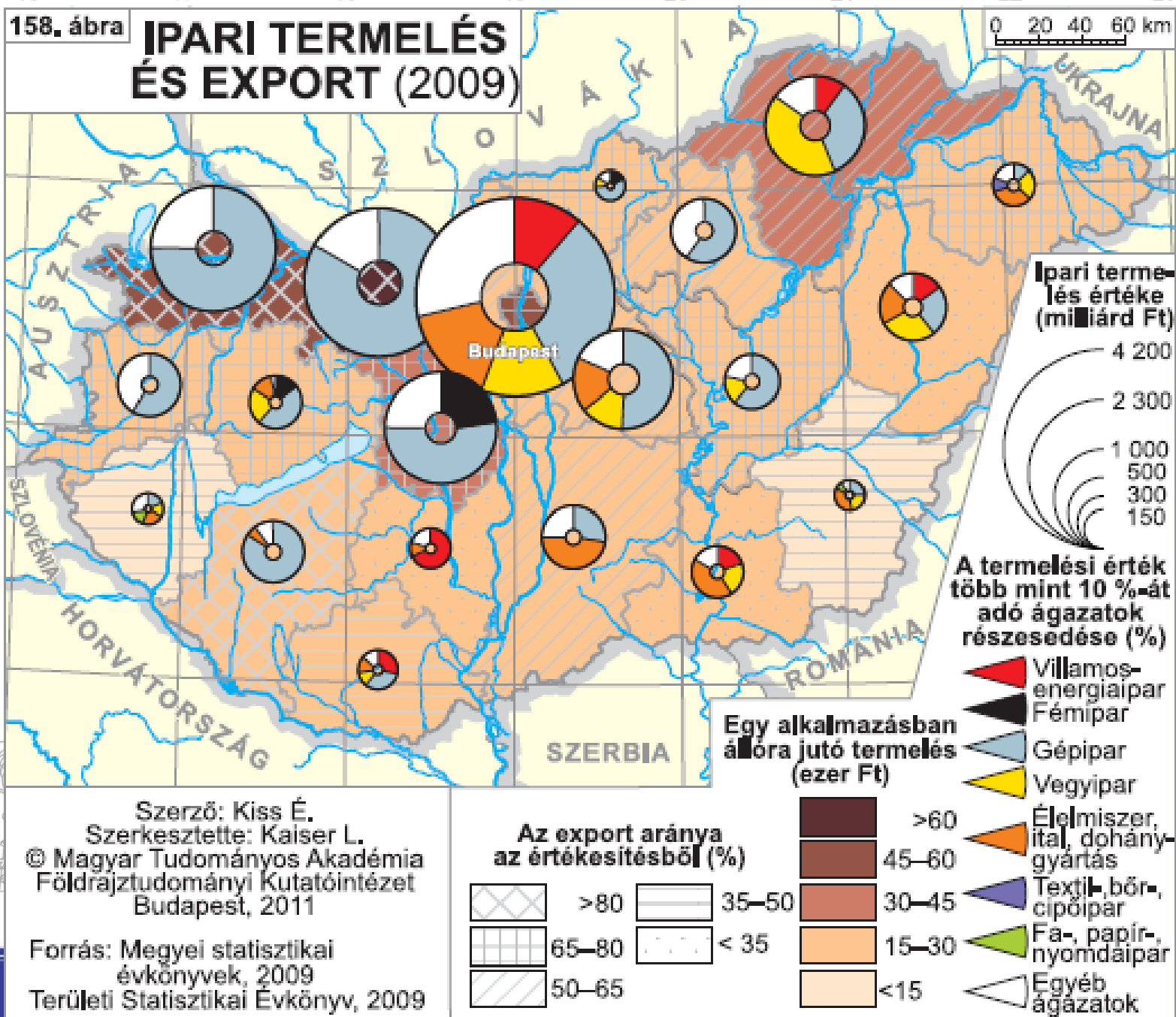
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Cluster based agribusiness model

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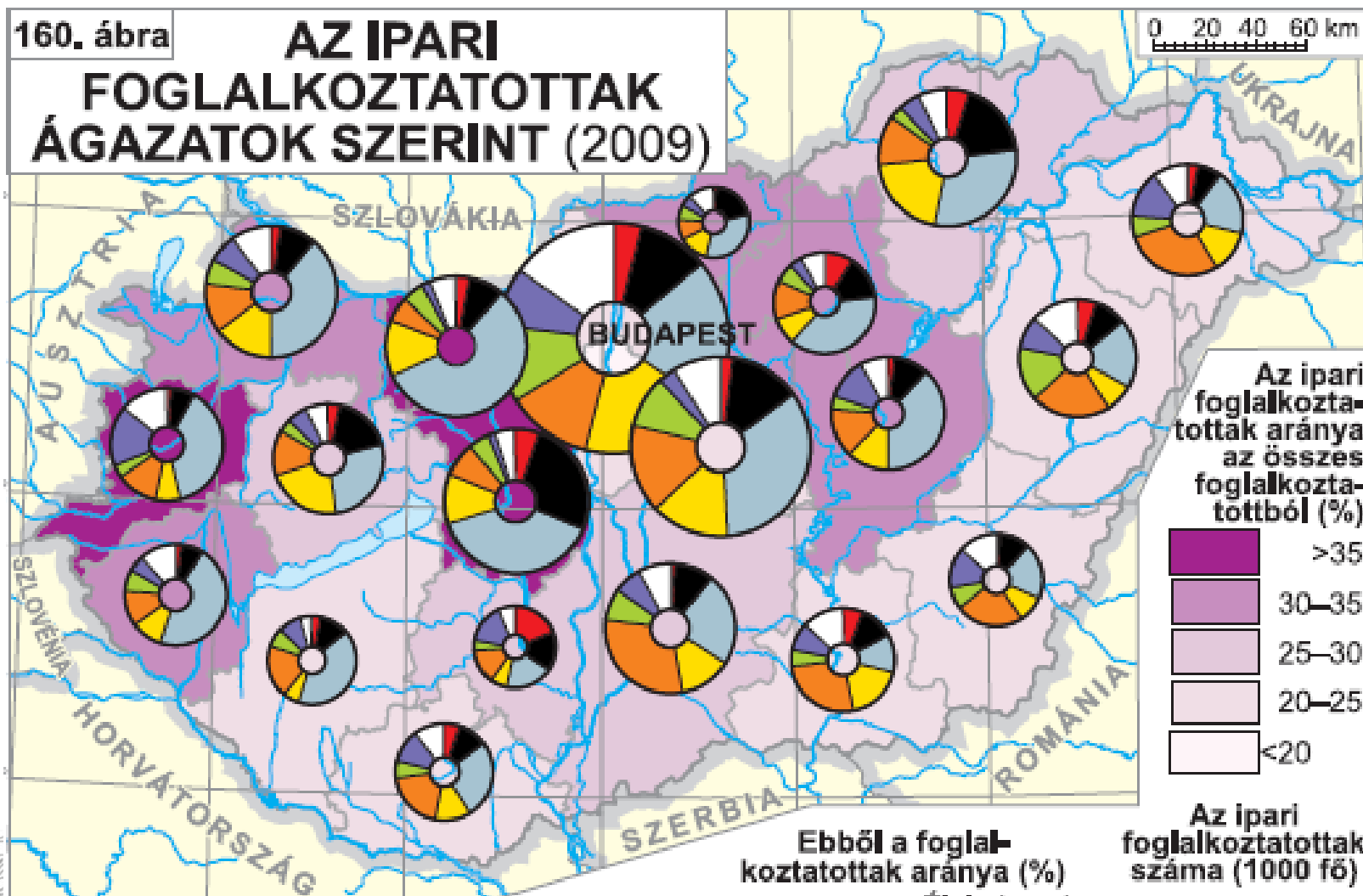
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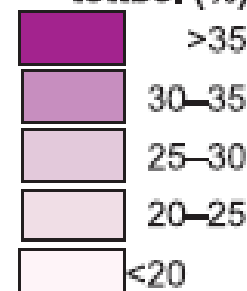
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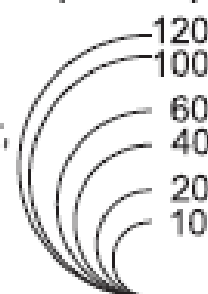


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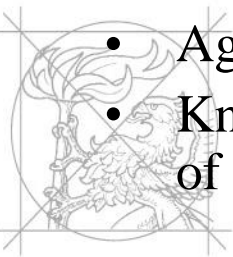
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# Conclusion

## **Agribusiness**

integration of valuechain

importance in the economic structure

## **Networks in agribusiness**

Power in network – concentration

Alternative network solutions in agrarium – rural development

## **Agribusiness in Region Southern Great Plain**

existing capacities, good conditions

networkbased strategies and cluster based development



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