**MINIMUM INCOME SCHEMES IN BULGARIA WITH A FOCUS ON SOCIAL BENEFITS AND SOCIAL SECURITY MINIMUM PAYMENTS AND MODEL**

**FOR DETERMINATION OF THE MINIMUM INCOME SIZES**

**IN AN INTERCONNECTED SYSTEM**

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***Abstract****. This paper presents study examines the issue of minimum income schemes in the country. An overview of the main normative documents regulating the amounts of minimum incomes and their relation to social benefits and social security payments has been made. Models for minimum wage formation are presented. On the basis of the analysis of the minimum income schemes and their relationships, an abstract model for determining the minimum income amounts in an interconnected system is constructed.*

***Keys words****: minimum income schemes, social security benefits, poverty line, minimum wage, social security minimum payments*