

The 15th edition of the International Symposium
**Ideologies, values and political behaviors in
Central and Eastern Europe**

24-25 March 2017
Vasile Pârvan blvd., no. 4

24. March

9:00 – 9:30 Opening session, A01, Welcome address: **Prof.dr. Marilen Pirtea**, rector of the West University Timișoara, **Prof.dr. Robert D. Reisz**, dean of the Faculty of Political Science, Philosophy and Communication Sciences, **Simona Neumann**, president of the Timișoara 2021 Association

9:30 – 11:00 Keynote presentations, A01:
Andras Bozoki, **Central European University**, Budapest, *Non-ideological non-democracies*

Adam Burakowski, **Institut for political studies of the Polish Academy of Sciences**, *Ceausescu between Myth and Reality. Image of Ceausescu in Romania and abroad after 1989*

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 Parallel sessions

Panel 1. Political history (theoretical perspectives, history of political ideas)

Aula BCUT

Chair: Mihai Panu

Vasile Docea, **West University of Timișoara**, *What does „political history” nowadays mean?*
(*Ce (mai) inseamna „istoria politica”?*)

Bogdan Petru Maleon, **„Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University**, *The avatars of a borderarea: The anthropology of political violence in the Romanian pre-modern world*
(*Avatarurile unui domeniu de frontieră: antropologia violenței politice în lumea românească premodernă*)

Mihai Murariu, West University of Timișoara, *Purity and Renewal in Legionary Ideology (Puritate și reînnoire în ideologia legionară)*

Thomas Remus Mochnacs, Central University Library „Eugen Todoran”, Political traces of a „scientific” publication: Journal of the Banat-Crisana Social Institute (Amprenta politica a unei publicatii "stiintifice": Revista Institutului Social Banat-Crisana)

Călin Cotoi, Bucharest University, The empty slot of communism and the invention of the social: Russian anarchists in fin-de-siecle Romania

Panel 2. Political ideologies in a changing world

Conference room, BCUT

Chair: Robert Reisz

Piotr Burgonski, Institute of Political Science at the Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University of Warsaw, *The issue of gender equality and its significance in Polish politics*

Anna Skolimowska, Institute of Political Science, Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński University in Warsaw, *Normative theory – dangerous concept or a useful theoretical tool? Case of the European Studies*

Călin Morar Vulcu, Independent researcher, Telling it like it is: on the critique of "Political Correctness" and its language-related assumptions

Dan Ungureanu, Charles University, *Ideologies and mindsets*

Emanuel Copilaș, West University of Timișoara, *Romania as exception. A critique of a new trend in the recent historiography regarding Romanian contemporary history*

Ciprian Nițu, West University of Timișoara, *European Values and National Interest. European Social Model's critique in thenowadays Nationalist Discourse in Europe*

Panel 3. International relations in the era of globalisation, with a special emphasis on post-totalitarian spaces

Room 501

Chair: Silviu Rogobete

Laura Gheorghiu, Karl Franzens Universitat, Graz, *Ethnic Cleansing from Volhynia to Srebrenica*

Vladislav Șaran, Institute of Legal and Political Research Academy of Sciences of Moldova, *Russian propaganda and information warfare in Eastern Europe: consequences for Republic of Moldova*

Tomasz Grzywaczewski, Łodz University, *The Phantom Menace. The rise of unrecognized states from Kosovo to Donetsk and Lugansk People's Republics*

Ioana Leucea, Petru Maior University, *China's Charm Offensive on the Global Scene*

Eva Londo, Tirana University, *Is media creating a culture of image of the political product for the Albanian society?*

Panel 4. Youth and social movements

Room 701

Chair: Viorel Proteasa

Bejinaru Silviu Caius, Babeș-Bolyai University, *Youth culture in socialist Romania*

Liviu Andreescu, University of Bucharest, Vlad Botgros, Alexandra Dodiță, West University of Timisoara, Matei Gheboianu, Delia Gologan, University of Bucharest, Viorel Proteasa, West University of Timisoara *From corporatism to diversity. A neo-institutionalist study of representative student organizations in post-communist Romania*

Miroslav Stanici, West University of Timișoara, *Prison riots in Romania*

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch break

14:30 – 16:00 Parallel sessions

Panel 1. International history

Aula BCUT

Chair: Adam Burakowski

Mircea Maran, School of High Education for Educators „Mihailo Pavlov”, *Serbia between two empires (Serbia între două imperii)*

Adrian-Bogdan Ceobanu, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, *Politics and diplomacy at the end of the 19th century: Dimitrie A. Sturdza's presence in Russia (1898) (Politică și diplomatie la finele secolului XIX: Prezența lui Dimitrie A. Sturdza în Rusia (1898))*

Adrian Vițalaru, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, *Continuity and change. Heads of Romanian diplomatic missions (1945-1947) (Continuitate și schimbare. Șefii misiunilor diplomatice ale României (1945-1947))*

Ionuț Nistor, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, *Yugoslav diplomatic mission in Bucharest under surveillance of the Securitate (Misiunea diplomatică iugoslavă la București sub lupa Securității)*

Dumitru Cătălin Rogojanu, Deva Museum of Dacian and Roman Civilization, *Determinants of Terror in Communist States (Determinanți ai terorii în statele comuniste)*

Panel 2. Open section

Conference room, BCUT

Chair: Emanuel Copilaș

Irina Laslea, West University of Timișoara, *Orthodoxy and political theology. A critical introduction in the study of contemporary approaches and interactions*

Mihai Murariu, West University of Timișoara, *An Illiberal Beacon. The Constitutional Ideocracy*

Aurora Carmen Barbat, West University of Timișoara, *Spiritual stimuli for the «ministry of charity». A catholic perspective*

Vasile Pleșca, „Gh. Zane” Institute of Economic and Social Research, Romanian Academy, Jassy Branch, *Why democracy?*

Aurelian Giugăl, Lumina - The University of South-East Europe, *It Is Demography, Stupid! The Political Implications of Population Changes*

Ovidiu Vaida, Ioana Marinescu, Babeș-Bolyai University, *Eurosceptics in the European Parliament, 2009-2014*

Grațian Lupu, „Lucian Blaga” University, *The Role of Mass-Media in the Political Decision and in the Forming of Political Public Opinion*

Panel 3. Politics of development

Room 701

Chair: Lucian Vesalon

Diana Iacob, National School of Political and Administrative Studies, *Why use evaluation to analyse policies of development?*

Daniela-Rozalia Barb, West University of Timișoara, *Invoking norms, shaping the policy-making process: arguing for human dignity in the EU's international cooperation and development policy*

George Manea, West University of Timișoara, *Cooperation and effective development: Water facility, fighting poverty and food insecurity*

Alexandru Jivan, West University of Timișoara, *Market, Education, Corruption. Several Contradictions in Knowledge Society*

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

17:00 – 18:30 Parallel sessions

Panel 1. Institutional History

Room 701

Chair: Bogdan-Petru Maleon

Cosmin-Ștefan Dogaru, Bucharest University, *Liberals, Conservatives and the Romanian Political Regime: Competition and Collaboration (1876-1914)*

Cristina Manolache, Romanian Association of Young Scholars, *The genesis of the Constitutional Court in Romania*

Tomasz Lachowski, Lodz University, *Truth and reconciliation commission as a mean of crafting historical narratives? Reinventing transitional justice discourse in the Central and Eastern Europe*

Magdalena Reksć, Lodz University, *Memory politics in post-Dayton Bosnia and Herzegovina*

Panel 2. From political ideologies to discourse analysis

Room 501

Chair: Ciprian Nițu

Vlad Botgros, West University of Timișoara, *„Language is never innocent”. Perspectives on using the theory of ideology as a foundation for discourse analysis*

Horea Băcanu, West University of Timișoara, *Discourse analysis of political fiction. The dictator in South-American literature by case study: „The Feast of the Goat”, by Mario Vargas Llosa*

Dan Chiță, Independent researcher, *The Immoral Basis of Patronizing Romanian Elites: from Peasants into Plebe*

Claudiu Crăciun, National School of Political and Administrative Studies,
Corruption and anticorruption. The formation of a political and electoral cleavage in Romania

Radu Gheorghe, Athaeneum University, *Institutional perception – the fluidity of the protection sources for Romanians*

17:00- 18:00,
Aula BCUT

Book Launch: **Miroslav Stanici,** *Vocile schimbarii (Voices of change),* Tritonic Publishing House, 2017.
Chair: Emanuel Copilaș

Guest speakers: **Robert Reisz, Bogdan Hrib, Claudiu Crăciun**

19:00 Conference dinner, Aula BCUT

25. March

9:00 – 10:30 Parallel sessions

Panel 1. Political Parties, Elites, Elections and Government
Aula BCUT
Chair: Laurențiu Ștefan

Subpanel 1: What is wrong with Europe?

Roxana Marin, Bucharest University, *Rejuvenating politics? Tentative Explanations on the Rise of Anti-Establishment Parties in present-day Europe*

Alexandra Iancu, National School of Political and Administrative Studies,
Explaining Post-Accession Decline: Patterns of Elite Professionalization in the ECE Region

Toma Burean, Babeș-Bolyai University, *The political representation of social groups in Poland: 1997-2011*

Otto Eibl, Michal Pink, Masaryk University, *Second Order National Elections – Case Study of the Senatorial Elections in the Czech Republic*

Silvia Fierășcu, Mihály Fazekas, Central European University, Center for Network Science, Hungary, University of Cambridge, *The Vocabulary of Corruption Risks in Public Procurement. Advances in the Comparability of State Capture across Procurement Markets and Countries*

Panel 2. Open section
Room 501
Chair: Viorel Proteasa

Bogdan Voicu, Research Institute for Quality of Life, *Are PhD candidates and their tutors alike?*

Catalina Baboschi, Viorel Proteasa, Bucharest University, West University of Timișoara, *University choice in Romania. A study case*

Robert Reisz, West University of Timișoara, *Wilhelm von Humboldt and the creation of the modern university*

Cristina Stănuș, „Lucian Blaga” University, *The architecture of a complex system: metropolitan cooperation in Romania*

Adrian Hatos, Oradea University, *Inter-population Trust through Cross-Border Trans-nationality in European Union?*

Mălina Iulia Duță, West University of Timișoara, *Socio-Political Aspects of the Refugee Situation. National and International Contexts*

Panel 3. European Capitals of Culture – pretext for an interdisciplinary dialogue on urban policies
Room 701
Chair: Corina Turșie

Slobodan Bjelica, University of Novi Sad, *Dual identity of Novi Sad in the period from 1918 to 1941: “Serbian Athens” and the multicultural city*

Andreea Lazea, West University of Timișoara, *Heritage and innovation in the public space*

Codruța Simionescu, West University of Timișoara, *Cultural Mediation- A Useful Tool for Social Inclusion and Boost of Cultural Access and Participation*

Ilie Rădoi, West University of Timișoara, *Cross-border Cooperation Role in Creating A Region of Culture*

Sorina Jecza, Cristian Blidariu, Corina Ilin, West University of Timișoara,
Timișoara. Ats Masterplans

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break

11:00 – 12:30 Paralell sessions

Panel 1. Political Parties, Elites, Elections and Government

Aula BCUT

Chair: Alexandra Iancu

Subpanel 2: Puzzling Romanian politics

Marius Maticescu, Oleh Protsyk, West University of Timișoara, European Centre for Minority Issues, *Reaching Across the Ethnic Divide: Party Competition for Minority Voter Support in Romania*

Dragoș Dragoman, Bogdan Gheorghită, Lucian Blaga University, *Independent candidates in Romanian local politics: Does the town size matter?*

Veronica Anghel, Bucharest University, *When actions speak louder than words: a study of coalition agreements as incentives for government stability*

Laurențiu Stefan, Bucharest University, *Recruitment of "technocrats" in Romanian cabinets*

Roxana Elena Mosor, West University of Timișoara, *Presidential elections in Romania after 1989 – democratization, legitimacy, and political mythology*

Panel 2. Romanian political history

Conference room, BCUT

Chair: Vasile Docea

Alexandru Jădăneanț, West University of Timișoara, *The constitutional control in Romania. A judicial-historical perspective (Controlul de constituționalitate în România. O perspectivă juridico-istorică)*

Mihai Panu, West University of Timișoara, *The politics of aryanization in interwar Romania. (Politicile arianizării în România interbelică)*

CamilPetrescu, West University of Timișoara, *Carol II and the political class during the authoritarian government (Carol II și clasa politică în timpul guvernării autoritare)*

Sergiu Soica, „George Barițiu” History Institute, *The Romanian Greek-Catholic Church during Communism. Case Study: Bishop Alexandru Todea (Biserica Română Unită și politica regimului comunist. Studiu de caz: Episcopul Alexandru Todea)*

Vasile Râmneanțu, West University of Timișoara, *The reception in Timiș County of the decision issued by the Plenary of C.C of P.C.R from April 1968 on the rehabilitation of party activists (Reflectarea în județul Timiș a Hotărârii Plenarei C. C. al P. C. R. din aprilie 1968, privind reabilitarea unor activiști de partid)*

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Corina Tursie, West University of Timișoara, *New narratives of the past and lieux de mémoire in European Capitals of Culture. Case study: Pecs 2010, Tallin 2011, Maribor 2012, Riga 2014, Pilsen 2015 and Wrocław 2016*

Sabina-Adina Luca, Bogdan Gheorghită, „Lucian Blaga” University, *How important is getting the title of “European Capital of Culture” for the urban development? Case study: The city of Sibiu*

Darko Pasic, Novi Sad European Capital of Culture 2021, *Possible Urban Development Shift in the City of Novi Sad*

Simona Neumann, Timișoara 2021, TBA

Gherghina Boda, Deva Museum of Dacian and Roman Civilization, *The Role of Museums in promoting European Capitals of Culture*

Panel 4. Round table: recent publications

Room 501

Participants: **Emanuel Copilaș, Mihaela Miroiu, Adrian Miroiu, Robert D. Reisz, Silviu Rogobete**

Vasile Boari, (ed.), *Religie și politică*, Editura Institutul European, Iași, 2017

Dan Chiță, *Teoria economică marxistă*, Editura Universității din București, 2016

Emanuel Copilaș, *Cetățenii și revoluția. Contradicții între partid și stat în Epoca de Aur*, Editura Cetatea de Scaun, Târgoviște, 2017

Emanuel Copilaș, (ed.), *Sfârșitul istoriei se amână. O radiografie a postcomunismului românesc*, Editura Cetatea de Scaun, Târgoviște, 2017.

Sorin Adam Matei, Caius Dobrescu, Emanuel Copilaș, (ed.), *Liberalismul: pro și contra. O idee ce refuză să moară, deși nu știe ce o ține în viață*, Editura Adenium, Iași, 2017

Robert D. Reisz, *Carte de statistică. Rețete încercate*, Editura Tritonic, București, 2017

Robert D. Reisz, *Eseuri despre universități și alte teme*, Editura Institutul European, Iași, 2017

Silviu Rogobete, *Drepturile omului: origini și practici*, Editura de Vest, Timișoara, 2015

12:30 – 14:00 Closing plenary session
AulaBCUT

Mihaela Miroiu, National School of Political and Administrative Studies, *Why do I prefer classifying ideologies according to the etical value of respect for personal autonomy?(De ce prefer clasificarea ideologiilor in functie de valoarea etica a respectului pentru autonomia persoanei?)*

Adrian Miroiu, National School of Political and Administrative Studies, *Politics and morals (Politică și morală)*

Gabriel Andreescu, National School of Political and Administrative Studies,
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16:00 – 17:30 Round table „Civil society in post-communist Romania”
Room 701

Open to all conference participants interested in the subject