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Education:

- **July 2011 – PhD in Sociology** from the National School of Political Studies – SNSPA. Thesis **Trade unions and labour relations in post-communist Romania**. Coordinator Professor Vintilă Mihăilescu.
- **November 2001 – September 2007** - PhD candidate in Political Science at the National School of Political Studies – SNSPA. Coordinator Professor Adrian Miroiu.
- **August 2000 – June 2001 – MA with distinction in Political Science** from the Central European University, Budapest, Hungary. Thesis: **Trade Unions and Political Participation in East – Central Europe. A Cross-National and Longitudinal Comparison**; coordinators: Professor Gábor Tóka and Professor László Bruszt.
- **June 2000 – BA with distinction in Political Science** from the Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Political Science and Public Administration, Political Science Department. Thesis: **The Romanian Trade Union Movement During the Transition Period**; Coordinator Professor Gabriel Bădescu.

Study programs:

- **March and September 2004, April 2005** – International Policy Fellowship training in public policy research, analysis and policy paper writing.
- **June 29 – July 12, 2003** – Summer University organized by The Central European University, Budapest – the program “The politics of market making and industrial relations in Europe”.
- **June 22 – August 18, 2002** – Summer Program in Advanced Quantitative Methods, ICPSR, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- **April 19-29, 1999** – The National School of Statistics organized by The Faculty of Political Science, Cluj-Napoca, and The Open Society Foundation, Romania.
- **January 30 - February 7, 1999** – International Student Seminar in Public Policy at the Center for Public Affairs of Budapest University of Economic Sciences, Hungary.

Academic fellowships:

- **2005, 2010** – American Political Science Association travel grant.
- **2006** – European Consortium for Political Research ECPR mobility grant.

- **October 2005 – July 2006** – Academic Fellowship Program – Returning Scholar Fellowship, Higher Education Support Program, Budapest.
- **October 2004 – January 2005** – Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington D.C., East European Studies Fellowship.
- **March 2004 – July 2005** – International Policy Fellowship, Center for Policy Studies and Open Society Institute, Budapest.
- **June – July 2003** – Central European University, Summer University Full Fellowship.
- **August 2002 – June 2003** – Civic Education Project, Local Faculty Fellowship.
- **June – August 2002** – Open Society Bucharest, Romania full fellowship for the Quantitative Program at the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research - ICPSR, University of Michigan - Ann Arbor.
- **November 2001 – October 2005** – SNSPA full fellowship for doctoral studies in Political Science.
- **August 2000 – June 2001** – Open Society Foundation Budapest and Central European University full study scholarship at CEU Budapest for Master of Arts studies in Political Science.

Other grants:

- **June – December 2006** – Grant from HESP-OSI Budapest, for the development of a political science library at SNSPA Bucharest.

Visiting lectures:

- **April 7, 2005** – Public lecture at the Central European University: **Problems of inter-denominational cooperation in Romania in the post-communist period.**

Professional experience:

- **From October 2001 to present** – National School of Political Studies, Political Science Department: **since 2006 – Assistant Professor**; between 2001 and 2005 – Teaching Assistant
 - Graduate courses: **Sociology of Interest Groups (2006 to present).**
 - Undergraduate courses: **Analysis of Political Parties (2002-2006); Statistics for Social Sciences (2006 to present); Qualitative Methods of Research (2006-2007); Comparative Political Analysis (2009).**
 - Undergraduate seminars: **Comparative Politics (2001 to present); Political Science Paradigms (2001-2003); Basic Concepts in Political Science (2002-2003); Social conflict and change in post-communist Romania (2010).**
 - Online undergraduate and graduate courses: **Comparative Constitutional Law (2012); Problems and Methods in Comparative Politics (2012).**
- **October 2002 – June 2004** – Lecturer at the Invisible College, Romanian Society of Political Science, for the courses lectured in English, **Applied**

political analysis: Quantitative methods in political science (2002-2003), and Qualitative and Quantitative Methods in Social Sciences (2003-2004).

Other professional experience:

- **March - August 2000** – intern in central and local public institutions as part of an internship program called “Interns in Public Institutions”. The program was organized by Pro Democracy Association, a non-governmental organization and was financed by National Endowment for Democracy and USA State Department – Public Affairs Section.
- **March 1998** – Ministry of the National Education, in Bucharest – assistant for the relation with central public institutions (Parliament and Ministries) to the Advisory Team of the Minister of Education (Andrei Marga).

Research experience:

- **November 2010 – to present** – Expert in the project “**Formation and development of skills and interest for theoretical and empirical scientific research of BA and MA students in social sciences**” – “**Formarea si dezvoltarea aptitudinilor si interesului pentru cercetarea stiintifica teoretica si aplicata a studentilor din ciclul de licenta si masterat in domeniul stiintelor sociale si politice**” – project number POSDRU/56/1.2/S/36310 granted by the **European Social Fund** to the National School of Political Studies – project director Cristian Pirvulescu. Details: e-learning courses and tutoring.
- **July – December 2011** – Expert in the project „**Academic innovation and workplace success**” – “**Inovare academică și succes pe piața muncii**” – project number POSDRU/18/1.2/G/11495, granted by the **European Social Fund** to the National School of Political Studies – project director Mihai Paunescu. Details: e-learning courses and tutoring.
- **April 2009 – March 2010** – Coordinator of the project „**Development of Civic participation in Romania. Stimulating information and citizen participation in EU Parliament elections in Romania and Presidential elections in Romania in 2009**”, <http://www.testvot.eu>, grant no. RO0010CD01 granted to Median Research Centre by the **Financial Mechanism of European Economic Area** <http://www.eeagrants.org>. Details: quantitative and qualitative data collection oversee and analysis, experimental design in national opinion poll, focus groups and online vote advice/engagement application, party programs analysis, in-depth interviews, project management.
- **February 2008 – April 2011** – **European Union Framework Program 7** – researcher in the team of Median Research Centre in the project „**PIREDEU Design Study - Providing an Infrastructure for Research on Electoral Democracy in the European Union**”, under the coordination of European University Institute, Florence <http://www.piredeu.eu>. Project director Stefano Bartolini. Details: oversee of national opinion poll, project management.
- **October 2008 – April 2009** – coordinator of the project „**What citizens want? Promoting substantive representation in Republic of Moldova and Romania**”, <http://www.testvot.eu>, grant no. 101531, granted to Median Research Centre, by **German Marshall Fund of the United States**, through the program The Black Sea Trust For Regional Development. Details:

qualitative data collection oversee and analysis, online vote advice/engagement application, party programs analysis, in-depth interviews, project management.

- **September 2008 – August 2010 – European Union Framework Program 7** – researcher in the team of Median Research Centre in the project „**EUROPOLIS - A deliberative polity-making project**”. Grant no. 225314, under the coordination of University of Siena. Project director Pierangelo Isernia. Details: qualitative data, project management.
- **October 2005 – September 2009 – European Union Framework Program 6** – researcher (qualitative research coordinator) in the team of Median Research Center in the project “**EUREQUAL - Social Inequality and Why It Matters for the Economic and Democratic Development of Europe and Its Citizens: Post-Communist Central and Eastern Europe in Comparative Perspective**”, grant nr. 028920 - CIT5, under the coordination of University of Oxford <http://eurequal.politics.ox.ac.uk>. Project director Stephen Whitefield. Details: quantitative and qualitative data collection oversee and analysis, focus groups, oversee of national opinion poll, desk-research, project management.
- **October 2006 – March 2007** – Expert in the project “**Evaluation of the Secondary Education in Romania**”, managed by the Faculty of Political Science SNSPA, and commissioned by the Romanian Ministry of Education and Research. Project director Cristian Pirvulescu. Details: quantitative data analysis – national opinion poll.
- **October 2004 - June 2006** - Member of the research team for the „**Political Culture and Civic Engagement In Romania**” project, funded by CNCSIS, project director Gabriel Bădescu. Details: quantitative data analysis.
- **March 2004 – February 2005** – Coordinator of research project “**The church-state relations in Romania: Towards centralization or modularity?**” The research was funded by a grant offered by The Open Society Institute and Center for Policy Studies, Budapest. The research was mentored by Professor Zsolt Enyedi, CEU Budapest. Details: quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis, in-depth interviews, project management.
- **June 2003 – September 2005** – Research coordinator for the fieldwork in Romania for the project **MORESS - Mapping of European Social Sciences and Humanities**. The project is financed by the European University Association and the European Commission. Project director Cristian Pirvulescu. Details: qualitative data collection, web-based cataloguing system, project management.
- **October 2003 - May 2004** – Coordinator with Laurențiu Ștefan, Andrei Gheorghiuță and Răzvan Grecu, at the Invisible College Romanian Society of Political Science, for the research “**Parties, organizations and individual actors: behavior, influence and political recruitment**” – financed by US Embassy in Bucharest. Details: quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis, project management.
- **April – August 2003 – European Union Framework Program 5** - Research collaborator in the international project “**Integration of Balkans in the**

- European Union**”, managed in Romania by Romanian Academic Society - SAR. Project director Dimitri Sotiropoulos. Details: quantitative data analysis.
- **October 2002 – June 2003** – Coordinator at the Invisible College, Romanian Society of Political Science, for the research **Evaluating differences of impact of two interest groups on the democratization process in Romania**. The Invisible College Romania was financed by a grant from the US Embassy in Bucharest. Details: quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis, project management.
 - **March 2002 – November 2002** – Coordinator in the project **Romanian trade unions and the EU integration process**, conducted by SNSPA and FILIA Center – grant director Adrian Miroiu. The project was financed by the Open Society Foundation Romania and the European Commission, PHARE Program, in the program “Map of Actors and Issues in the Accession of Romania to the EU”. Details: qualitative data collection and analysis, in-depth interviews, project management.
 - **December 2001 – January 2003** – research collaborator with the Romanian Academic Society, Bucharest, an academic think tank. Member of the team of the Annual Early Warning Report, ordered by the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and financed by UNDP Romania. Details: policy early warning reports.
 - **December 1998** – participant in research projects conducted by the Faculty of Political Sciences in Cluj-Napoca concerning Political and Social Attitudes of Citizens and Political Participation and Organization Membership. Details: quantitative data collection.

Publications and translations:

- **“This Is Not the Beginning of a Beautiful Friendship! Civil Society and Elections”**, co-author with Andrei Gheorghita. In Gabriel Badescu (ed.), 2010, *Associations and Democracy in Romania*. Cluj-Napoca: Accent. Pp. 221-263. ISBN: 978-606-561-029-3.
- **“[The 2009 Romanian Presidential election](#)”**, co-author with Marina Popescu and Grigore Pop-Eleches; *Electoral Studies* 29:4 (2010): 753-757.
- **“[Civil Society in the 2004 Romanian Elections: Watchdog, Involved Arbiter or Political Actor?](#)”**. Co-author with Andrei Gheorghita. In *Social Change Review*, 8, (1), summer 2010, 33-68.
- **“Church-state relations in Romania: problems and perspectives of inter-denominational cooperation at the level of church-based NGOs”** in *Journal for the Study of Religion and Ideologies*. No 12. Winter 2005.
- **“Labor Movement and Civic Attitudes in East-Central Europe”** in *Romanian Journal of Society and Politics* Vol.5 No.1, 2005.
- **“Issues in Implementing New Methods in Course Design”** In *How to Teach Political Science? Experience of Young University Teachers*; European Political Science Network EPSNet, Budapest; 2005; Editor Gabriela Gregusova.
- **“Romanian Labor Movement Between Workers’ Padded Coat and European Values: New Perspectives on Romanian Trade Unions”** in *Globalization, Integration, and Social Development in Central and Eastern*

Europe, Bogdan Voicu and Horatiu Rusu editors, Sibiu: Psihomedica Publishing Company 2003.

- Translation, with Magda Muntean, of **Consolidating the Third Wave Democracies**, 1997, Larry Diamond, Marc Plattner et al., eds., published in Romanian in 2004 at Polirom Publishing House, Iasi. <http://www.polirom.ro/titluri.cgi?action=titluri&class=details&id=1632>
- **“The failure of public governance in Romania”**, co-autor with Alina Mungiu-Pippidi and Sorin Ionita, published in the proceedings of the 2003 NISPAcee Annual Conference. *Enhancing the Capacities to Govern: Challenges Facing the Central and Eastern European Countries*; **Editor(s)**: Bryane Michael, Rainer Kattel, Wolfgang Drechsler; 2004, NISPAcee and Oxford University Press
- **“Trade Unions and the European Integration”** in *Map of actors and problems of integration of Romania in EU*, Open Society Foundation 2003.
- Translations from Adam Przeworsky, Guillermo O’Donnell, Marc Plattner, Andreas Schedler, published in **The Romanian Journal of Political Science – POLSCI**, Volume 2, Number 1, April 2002, edited by the Romanian Academic Society.
- **“The Challenge of Social Cohesion. Trade Unions and the Social Agreement”** in the *Romania after 2000. Threats and challenges*, 2002, edited by Alina Mungiu Pippidi, Iasi: Polirom Press.
- **“Mișcarea sindicală în România în perioada de tranziție”** [“Trade Union Movement in Romania during the Transition Period”]. In G. Badescu, C. Marian and I.Culic (eds.). *Studii de comportament politic [Studies of political behavior]*. 2001. Cluj-Napoca: Presa Universitara Clujeana.
- **“The Trade Unions in the Eastern and Central Europe, before and after 1989”**, published in *The New International Standard*, No. 2, 1999, Cluj-Napoca.
- **“Trade Unionism and Citizen Participation in the Romanian Transition”** published in the review of the Third Edition International Conference on Political Science, Cluj-Napoca, 1999.

Journalistic public position articles:

- **„Why the health system reform has failed in Romania”** in *Dilema veche*, no. 71, 2005.
- **„The reform of the pension system in USA”** in *Dilema veche* no.66, 2005.
- **“Dacă protest nu e, nimic nu e”** [“If there is no protest then nothing else matters”] in *Dilema* no.479, 2002.

International conference papers:

- **September 2010** – Paper **“A new century of corporatism. Neocorporatist arrangements in post-communist Romania”** presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Washington D.C.
- **September 2010** – Paper **“It takes two to tango! Industrial relations in Romania during economic crisis”** presented at the Industrial Relations in Europe Conference, at FAFO, Oslo, Norway.

- **June 2009** – “**Evaluation of attitudes on social inequalities in post-communist Romania: political and institutional actors, policies and voters**”, presented at the EUREQUAL roundtable at Oxford University.
- **September 2006** – Organizer and co-chair with Romana Careja (University of Cologne) of the panel **A new century of corporatism in Europe?**, at the First Graduate ECPR Conference, Essex, UK.
- **September 2005** – Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Washington D.C. The paper “**Romanian Civil Society and Its Active Role in the 2004 Elections: From Monitoring to Blackmail Potential**” is co-authored with Andrei Gheorghiuță.
- **June 18-19, 2004** – European Political Science Network (EPSNet) 2004 Annual Conference, Prague. Participant with the paper “**Problems of teaching political science in Romania’s restructuring academic field: Implementing new methods in course design**”.
- **September 5-9 2003** – participant at the international conference “Globalization, Integration, and Social Development in Central and Eastern Europe”, organized at the University “Lucian Blaga” of Sibiu; with the paper “**Trade union leaders and the process of integration in EU: new perspectives on Romanian trade unions**”.
- **April 10-12, 2003** – participant at NISPAcee Annual Conference “Enhancing the capacities to govern: challenges facing the CEE countries”, Bucharest, Romania, with the paper “**The failure of public governance in Romania**”, co-author with Alina Mungiu-Pippidi and Sorin Ionita.
- **January 25 - 28, 2001** – participant at the seminar „L’Importance de la protection sociale dans le processus d’integration de l’Europe en tenant compte de l’impact de la mondialisation”, Paris, France, organized by CEET and financed by the European Commission, with the paper “**Social Protection in Hungary – Governmental Theme in the European Union Integration Process**”.

National conference papers:

- **November 2005** – Paper “**Church-state relations in Romania: problems and perspectives of inter-denominational cooperation at the level of church-based NGOs**” presented at the Sixth Annual Conference of the Romanian Society of Political Science, Oradea, Băile Felix.
- **July 2-3, 2004** – Fifth Annual Conference of the Romanian Society of Political Science, Bucharest. Participant with the paper “**Political behavior of Romanian trade unions in the 2004 local elections: Between actor and spectator**” co-authored with Domnica Ciolan and Cristina Bobu.
- **October 28 - 30, 1999** – participant with the paper entitled **Trade Unionism and Citizen Participation in the Romanian Transition**, at the Third Edition of the International Conference on Political Sciences, organized in Cluj-Napoca by the Faculty of Political Sciences.
- **March 1997** – participant at the “Friedrich Hayek Seminar”, organized in Cluj Napoca by the Faculty of Political Sciences. The topic of the seminar was liberalism in the economy of the European Union.

Professional associations membership:

- **Since June 2003** – member in the American Political Science Association.
- **Since December 2009** - member in the Society of Romanian Sociologists.
- **Since October 2002** – member in the Romanian Society of Political Science (SRSP). Between September 2003 - November 2005 - Member in the Board of SRSP.
- **Since January 2003** – member in the European Political Science Network.
- **Between January 2005 and January 2007** – member in the Southern Political Science Association.

Volunteer activities:

- **Since 2005** – Volunteer for the Center for Hospice Resources – Hospice Casa Speranței Foundation, Bucharest; volunteer in fundraising and studies expertise.
- **Since 2007** – Volunteer in the Civic Action Group Traian Vuia Otopeni; volunteer for neighborhood initiatives and activities for civic action.
- **Between 1999 – 2000** – volunteer and member in the Pro Democracy Association Cluj.

Foreign languages:

- **English** – reading, writing, speaking - fluent;
- **French** – reading, writing, speaking - fluent – DALF diploma (Diplôme Approfondi en Langue Française)
- **Italian** – reading – intermediate; writing and speaking - basic.

IT operation skills:

- Office, SPSS, Stata, Adobe Dreamweaver, EndNote.

Date and birthplace: December 19, 1977, Aiud, Alba, Romania