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CRAIOVA, ROMANIA

**Welcoming adress from**

**Mr. Lucian Dindirică,**

**Manager of "Alexandru and Aristia Aman" County  
Library - Dolj**

**Ladies and gentlemen,**

First of all, allow me, as the manager of "Alexandru and Aristia Aman" Dolj County Library, to wish you a warm welcome here, in Craiova, at the library. We open today the 8th edition of the International Conference State and Society in Europe. For almost two weeks, Craiova will be the scene of debates, presentations and interventions of the highest academic level. Aman Library, together with The Faculty of Theology of Craiova, Universitaries House and Art Museum of Craiova, will host the entire event, so I hope you will spend here pleasant and productive moments.

In a time of full technological and informational upsurge, we all enjoy the fruits of this unprecedented development. Although it is hard for us to admit, most of the times the technological development generates a perverse, dangerous effect. It is a clear fact that lecture and private reading are on a descending course. Us, the librarians, teachers and scholars have the duty to promote and organize events and manifestations dedicated to knowledge and education. "Alexandru and Aristia Aman" Dolj County

Library therefore continues this year, the tradition of organizing international conferences.

Provided that the International Conference Politics. Diplomacy. Culture reached the 2nd edition - we are organizing the 3rd edition next summer - , the International Conference State and Society in Europe opens today for the 8th time. Because of the large area of subjects and themes that the conference reunites, we hope that, shortly, this manifestation would be recognized as one of the most important and appreciated scientific reunion of our country.

The first edition of the International Conference State and Society in Europe, held in 2009, brought together, in Craiova, numerous researchers, professors, and personalities of the academic community. Each and every organized edition, made Craiova the epicenter of a high level scientific manifestations, fact that we also wish for this year's edition. The large number of participants that applied for the works of our conference and the expertise of all included in our program, confirm the importance and the prestige enjoyed by our manifestation. Invariably, another explanation of this large participation is explained by the opportunity of publishing the articles sustained within the conference in a new magazine: Journal of Humanities, Culture and Social Sciences. The first number of this scientific magazine was issued in August this year, and the second number will be issued by the end of the year.

We also have in view the participation of our city in the competition for the title of European Capital of Culture t in 2021. Dolj County Library is one of the local institutions that generate cultural projects each month and each day, and this conference is part of the series of important cultural events developed within this project sustained by Dolj County Council and the Mayoralty of Craiova.

Finally, I wish success to all participants and special guests, success in sustaining their articles; I also wish you a pleasant stay in Craiova.

The organization of this 8th edition of the International Conference State and Society in Europe was the result of close collaboration, an efficient one, between the key actors: "Alexandru and Aristia Aman" Dolj County Library, "Alexandru and Aristia Aman" Foundation, respectively the Romanian Academy, the "CS Nicolaescu Plopșor" - Craiova Social-Humanist Sciences Institute, Scientists Academy of Romania, the Archeological and Historical Sciences Department and the University of Craiova, the Faculty of Social Sciences and The Faculty of Theology.

**Lucian Dindirică, Ph.D.,  
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## Program of 8<sup>th</sup> International Conference

### State and Society in Europe

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25<sup>th</sup> of October 2015

<b>Optional</b>	<b>Feast (Pilgrimage) of St. Demetrius, the patron saint of Craiova</b> <b>Venue:</b> St. Demetrius Metropolitan Cathedral – Craiova
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28<sup>th</sup> of October 2015

**09.30 -  
18.30**

#### **Light and its significances in Romanian theology and spirituality**

**Moderators:** Fr. Nicolae Răzvan Stan, Ph.D. & Fr. Cristinel Ioja Ph.D.

**Language:** Romanian

**Venue:** The Restoration Center of the Faculty of Theology of Craiova

His Eminence Acad. Prof. **Irineu Ion Popa**, Ph.D., Archbishop of Craiova and Metropolitan of Oltenia, Dean of Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - *The Symbolism of Light at Saint John the Theologian*;

His Holiness **Nicodim Nicolaescu**, Ph.D., Bishop of Severin and Strehaia, Romania - *From Prayer to Awakening for the Niptic Fathers*;

PS. Lect. **Emilian Lovișteanul**, Ph.D., Auxilliary-Bishop of Archbishopric of Ramnic, Romania - *The Archimandrite Ioan from Hurezi Monastery (1692-1726) in the Light of Orthodox Spirituality*;  
 Fr. Prof. **Aurel Pavel**, Ph.D., "St. Andrei Șaguna" Faculty of Theology, "Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu, Romania - *The Significance of World and Religious Dialogue. An Orthodox Approach*;

Fr. Prof. **Ion Popescu**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - *Christ, Hypostatic Light*;

Fr. Prof. **Cristinel Ioja**, Ph.D., "Ilarion V. Felea", Faculty of

**11.00  
Coffee  
Break**

Theology, "Aurel Vlaicu" University of Arad, Romania - *The Theological Significance of Light in the Context of Current Scientific Discoveries. An Apologetic-Dogmatic Approach*;

Prof. **Gheorghe Dănișor**, Ph.D., Faculty of Law, University of Craiova, Romania - *The Enlightenment as a Manner of Understanding the "Light"*;

Prof. **Ioan Emil Jurcan**, Ph.D., Dean of the Faculty of Orthodox Theology, "1 Decembrie" University of Alba Iulia, Romania, *Towards the Light of Tabor: a comparative theological approach to the theme of 'light'*;

Assoc. Prof. **Dumitru Vanca**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Alba-Iulia, Romania - *Ex Oriente Lux. The Light of Christ Enlightens All People*

Assoc. Prof. **Nicolae Răzvan Stan**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - *The Man's Communion with the Divine Light through the Holy Sacraments*;

Assoc. Prof. **Constantin Băjau**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - *The Vision of Divine Light at Saint Simeon the New Theologian*;

Assoc. Prof. **Lucian Farcașiu**, Ph.D., "Ilarion V. Felea" Faculty of Theology, "Aurel Vlaicu" University of Arad, Romania - *Uncreated light theology reflected in the hymnography of the Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord*;

Assoc. Prof. **Adrian Boldișor**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - *The Symbolism of Light in the History of Religion*;

Assoc. Prof. **Adriana Neacșu**, Ph.D., Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania - *The Motif of Light in the "Five Theological Speeches" of Gregory of Nazianzus*;

Fr. Senior Lect. **Vasilică Bârză**, Ph.D., "St. Andrei Șaguna" Faculty of Theology, "Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu, Romania - *Divine Light as Food for Mind and Source of Consciousness. An Answer to the Latest Challenges of Trans-Humanism*;

Fr. Lect. **Ștefan Negreanu**, Ph.D., "Ilarion V. Felea" Faculty of Theology, "Aurel Vlaicu" University of Arad, Romania - *Victory of Light in the Hesychastic Controversy in the XIV Century*;

Fr. Lect. **Grigore Moș**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, "Babeș-Bolyai" University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania - *Seeing the Divine light for Fr. Sophrony Sakharov*;

Lect. **Marin Bălan**, Ph.D., Facultatea de Filosofie, University of Bucharest, Romania - *The Metaphysic of Light in the Areopagitic*

<p><b>15.40 Coffee Break</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p> <p><b>18.30</b></p>	<p><i>Tradition (prehistory and evolution);</i> Lect. <b>Nicolae Turcan</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Orthodox Theology, "Babeş-Bolyai" University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania - <i>The Light of Rationality and His Limits: Theological Revelation of Jean-Luc Marion's Criticism to the Concept of Conceptual God;</i> Lect. <b>Ciprian Iulian Toroczka</b>i, Ph.D., "St. Andrei Şaguna" Faculty of Theology, "Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu, Romania - <i>Gnosis and Illumination in the Work of Ioan Petru Culianu;</i> Fr. Lect. <b>Ion Sorin Bora</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Seeing as Commandment: "Look!" "See!" "Watch!" or the Valences of Visual Experiences Specific to Christ's Disciples and Other "seers" of Lord;</i> Fr. Assist. Prof. <b>Mihai Burlacu</b>, Ph.D., „Justinian Patriarhul" Faculty of Orthodox Theology, University of Bucharest, Romania - <i>Reception of the Concept of "Uncreated Light" in Contemporary Orthodox Theology;</i> Assist. Prof. <b>Ilie Oana Stănculescu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Agronomy from Craiova, Romania - <i>Light as hope and redemption in F. Scott Fitzgerald's The Great Gatsby. God and religious elements in this cultural history piece of the great American novel;</i> Assist. Prof. <b>Mihai Ciurea</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>"HO THEOS PHÔS ESTIN (1 JOHN 1:5) or Light as a Divine Symbol within the Holy Scripture.</i></p> <p><b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p> <p><b>Foto exhibition</b> <b>Oltenia – a Place of Orthodox Spirituality</b></p>
<p><b>11.00</b></p>	<p><b>Award ceremony of the Doctor Honoris Causa title to Acad. Basarab Nicolescu, Ph.D.</b></p> <p><b>Venue:</b> Blue Room of the University of Craiova</p> <p>Acad. <b>Basarab Nicolescu</b>, Ph.D., CNRS France –"Babeş-Bolyai" University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania - <i>Light within light – light in science, culture, society and spirituality.</i></p>

<p><b>14.00 - 17.00</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Missionary trends of the Romanian Church after 1989. History-Tradition-Modernity. The situation of the ecumenical studies</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Fr. Gelu Călina, Ph.D.  <b>Language:</b> Romanian  <b>Venue:</b> Casa Universitarilor [The Universitaries House] Craiova</p> <p><b>Keynote speaker:</b> His Eminence Acad. Prof. <b>Irineu Ion Popa</b>, Ph.D., Archbishop of Craiova and Metropolitan of Oltenia, Dean of Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania – <i>Reserved title</i>;  Prof. <b>Mihai Himcinschi</b>, Ph.D., „1 Decembrie 1918” University, Alba Iulia, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>The Relationship between the Church and Theology from the Missionary Perspective of Orthodoxy</i>;  Prof. <b>Ioan Chirilă</b>, Ph.D., President of the Senate, „Babeş-Bolyai” University, Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>Mission in the Old Testament</i>;  Assoc. Prof. <b>Radu Petre Mureşan</b>, University of Bucharest, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, The Impact of the Alternative Spiritualities into the Romanian Society;  Assist. Prof. <b>Cristian Vasile Petcu</b>, Ph. D., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>The Abortion – Moral, Ethical and Canonical Issues</i>;</p>
<p><b>15.40 Coffee Break</b></p>	<p>Assist. Prof. <b>Andrian Aleksandrov</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Sofia University „St. Kliment Ohridski”, Bulgaria – <i>The Orthodox Parish with Holy Trinity Patron from Sofia. History and mission</i>;  Assoc. Prof. <b>Gheorghe Zamfir</b>, Ph. D., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>A few aspects of the Church mission in the contemporary world</i>;  Assoc. Prof. <b>Gelu Călina</b>, Ph. D., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>Some considerations on the Relationship between Ecclesiology and Church Mission</i>;  Assist. Prof. <b>Sergiu-Grigore Popescu</b>, Ph. D., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>The Theological Education in Craiova. Pages of the History of Theological Seminary in Craiova</i>;  Assist. Prof. <b>Ion Sorin Bora</b>, Ph. D., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>The Content of the Written Christian Mission to the Church in Philippi or the exact number of the Pauline Epistles addressed to the Earliest Christians in Europe</i>;  <b>Marian Grozoiu</b>, Ph.D.c., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>The Cultural Convergence of the Peoples when Receiving the Evangelic Message through</i></p>

*	<p><i>Inculturation;</i>  <b>Albert Adrian Stănilică</b>, Ph.D.c., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>The Philanthropic Work of St. Basil the Great, model for the social work activities in Romanian Orthodox Church;</i>  <b>Bogdan Adrian-Claudiu Trifu</b>, Ph. D.c., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>The Christian Parish: from the Eucharistic Synaxis to the Parochial Society;</i>  <b>Mina Minel Vodoiu</b>, Ph. D.c. , University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, <i>The Basis of the Interreligious Dialogue;</i>  <b>Gabriel Sorescu</b>, Ph. D.c., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - <i>Missionarism and Proselytism in the Contemporary Romanian Society.</i>  <b>Debates</b>  <b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p>
13.00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Conference</b></p> <p>Prof. <b>Jan de Maere</b>, Ph.D., Dhc., VUB Free University, Belgium/ Bruxelles, membre-alumni de l'Académie royale des Sciences, des Lettres et des Beaux-Arts de Belgique - <i>Reserved title.</i></p>
17.00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Conference and book launch - Acad. Basarab Nicolescu, Ph.D.</b></p> <p><b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Dinu C. Giurescu Hall</p>
Optional	<p><b>“Europe Season” 2015/2016 - “Oltenia” Philharmonic</b></p>
20.00	<p><b>Dinner</b></p>

10.00

***Festive ceremony. 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the „C.S. Nicolaescu Ploșor”, Social and Humanistic Research Institute of the Romanian Academy***

**Language:** Romanian

**Venue:** Art Museum of Craiova

**Host:** Prof. **Cezar Avram**, Ph.D., Manager – C.S. Nicolaescu Ploșor Social-Humanist Sciences Institute (Romanian Academy)

- Prof. **Dan Claudiu Dănișor**, Ph.D., Rector - University of Craiova;
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- Acad. **Sabina Ispas** - Romanian Academy;
- His Eminence Acad. **Irineu Ion Popa**, Ph.D., Archbishop of Craiova and Metropolitan of Oltenia;
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- Prof. **Corneliu Mihail Lungu**, Ph.D., Academy of Romanian Scientists;
- Prof. **Dumitru Otovescu**, Ph.D., University of Craiova.

9.30–  
12.00

**Missionary trends of the Romanian Church after 1989.  
History-Tradition-Modernity. The situation of the ecumenical  
studies**

**Moderator:** Sergiu-Grigore Popescu, Ph.D.

**Language:** Romanian

**Venue:** Casa Universitarilor [The Universities House] Craiova

**Pierre Gisel**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology and Sciences of Religions, University of Lausanne, Switzerland - *Entre l'homme et Dieu : répondre de la création*;

Prof. **Klara Toneva**, Ph.D., Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Sofia University „St. Kliment Ohridski”, Bulgaria - *Refugies-between Law and Mercy*;

**Kraycheva Magdalena**, Ph.D.c., Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Sofia University „St. Kliment Ohridski”, Bulgaria - *Gender Ideology and Contemporary Judaism*;

Prof. **Alexandru Moraru**, Ph.D., Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - *Traces of Constantin Brâncoveanu in Transylvania*;

Prof. **Ioan Moldoveanu**, Ph. D., University of Bucharest, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Constantin Brâncoveanu - *Supporter of Greek Orthodoxy*;

Assoc. Prof. **Marin Cojoc**, Ph.D., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - *Constantin Brâncoveanu in the European Political Context of his Time*;

Assist. Prof. **Cosmin Cosmuța**, Ph.D., Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - *Constantin Brâncoveanu and David Corbea*;

Assist. Prof. **Ioniță Apostolache**, Ph.D., University of Craiova, Faculty of Orthodox Theology, Romania - *The Relationship between Theology and Culture in the Orthodox Church. St. Constantin Brâncoveanu – the Romanian Apologetic Pattern*;

**Ciprian Catană**, Ph.D., Ortodox Parish St. Nicholas from Băilești, Romania - *The Relationship between Voivode Constantin Brâncoveanu and Transylvania*;

**Toma Rădulescu**, Ph.D., Oltenia Museum from Craiova, Romania - *Monetary discoveries in Oltenia from Brancoveni Era and Monetary species that Circulated during this Period*;

Assoc. Prof. **Claudiu Cotan**, Ph.D., Faculty of Orthodox Theology, „Ovidius” University of Constanța, Romania - *Pilgrimage to the Holy Places at the time of Constantine Brâncoveanu*;

**Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.**

10.40  
Coffee  
Break

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09.30 - 18.30	<p align="center"><b>Light and its significances in Romanian theology and spirituality</b></p>
11.00 Coffee Break	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Fr. Grigore Moș, Ph.D. &amp; Ciprian Iulian Toroczka, Ph. D.</p> <p><b>Language:</b> Romanian</p> <p><b>Venue:</b> The Restoration Center of the Faculty of Theology of Craiova</p> <p>Prof. <b>Ștefan Trăușan Matu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Automation, Politehnica University of Bucharest, Romania - <i>Light and Natural Language</i>;</p> <p>Prof. <b>Liviu Petrișor Dinu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Mathematics and Computer Science, University of Bucharest, Romania - <i>Light: a multilingual distributional analysis</i>;</p> <p>Prof. <b>Florea Uliu</b>, Ph.D., University of Craiova, Romania - <i>The Rainbow – from Myth to Mathematical Physics</i>;</p> <p>Assoc. Prof. <b>Ioan Mihoc</b>, Ph.D., Orthodox Didactic Departament Caransebeș, “Eftimie Murgu” University of Reșița, <i>The Light of the Gospel and the Inner Illumination of Understanding in the Patristic Reception of 2 Corinthians 4:3-6</i>;</p> <p>Fr. <b>Varga Cătălin</b>, Archbishopric of Cluj, Romania - <i>Theological backgrounds of light (φῶς) in the Johannine prologue</i>;</p> <p>Fr. Prof. <b>Nicolae Morar</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Letters, History and Theology, West University of Timișoara, Romania - <i>Light and enlightenment, between Olympus and Tabor</i>;</p> <p>Fr. Assist. Prof. <b>Marius Ioana</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Letters, History and Theology, West University of Timișoara, Romania - <i>Word and Light. The catechetical role of the Logos</i>;</p> <p>Fr. Lect. <b>Marius Florescu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Letters, History and Theology, West University of Timișoara, Romania - <i>Christianity – Light and Joy in a Confused and Grieved World. Official Report of the Latest General Assembly of the World Council of Churches, Busan, 2013</i>;</p>
13.00	<p align="center"><b>Conference – Book launch Cristian Bădiliță</b></p> <p><b>The Important texts of Christianity</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussions on Gospel of Mark, Gospel of Matthew, Gospel of John, Apocalypse of John, Patristic and oldest texts on Apostle Andrew.</li> </ul>

<p><b>15.00</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">*</p>	<p>Fr. Prof. <b>Alexandru Isvoranu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Light and Luminaries – Old Testament biblical perspectives</i>;</p> <p>Deac. Lect. <b>Ioniță Apostolache</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>“The Way, the Truth and the Life” in the Light of Incarnated Logos. The Confessor Work of the Word from Prefiguration to Concrete</i>;</p> <p>Fr. Lect. <b>Ion Reșceanu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>The Light and its Significance in the Biblical Theophany of the Old Testament</i>.</p> <p>Fr. Lect. <b>Ion Birnea</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Attaining the Light of Knowledge of God – assiduous request in the Divine Cult</i>.</p> <p><b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p>
<p><b>14.00 - 16.00</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plennary session Keynote Speakers</b></p> <p><b>Language:</b> Romanian / English  <b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Dinu C. Giurescu Hall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acad. <b>Alexandru Vulpe</b>, Romanian Academy, the President of the Historical and Archeological Departament – <i>Reserved title</i>;</li> <li>• Acad. <b>Dan Berindei</b>, Romanian Academy – <i>Reserved title</i>;</li> <li>• Acad. <b>Sabina Ispas</b>, Romanian Academy – <i>Reserved title</i>;</li> <li>• Prof. <b>Cezar Avram</b>, Ph.D., Director - C.S. Nicolaescu Plopșor Social-Humanist Sciences Institute (Romanian Academy) - <i>Italy at sunset of the first Republic: the fight against corruption and the ascension of Silvio Berlusconi</i>;</li> <li>• Prof. <b>Corneliu Mihail Lungu</b>, Ph.D., Academy of Romanian Scientists – <i>Reserved title</i>;</li> <li>• Prof. <b>Carlos Juarez</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Political Science Hawaii Pacific University, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA - <i>The Challenge of Illiberal Democratic Regimes in Europe: Lessons from Latin America</i>;</li> <li>• Prof. <b>José G. Vargas-Hernández</b>, Ph.D., University Center for Economic and Managerial Sciences, University of Guadalajara, Mexico / Member of the National System of</li> </ul>

16.00-  
17.00

Researchers of Mexico – *The question of changing the concept, role and functions of state*;

- Prof. **Radu Carp**, Ph. D., Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Bucharest, Romania - *How different are the national models on the study of religion in Europe? The legal framework from a comparative perspective and the Jurisprudence of the Romanian Constitutional Court*;
- Ambas. Prof. **Victor Țvircun**, Ph.D., Dr. Habilitat , Dr. Honoris, The State Pedagogical University "Ion Creanga", Chișinău, Causa – Republic of Moldova - *Negotiational process between the Soviet Union and Romania on the topic of transfer of D. Cantemir's*;
- Prof. **Radu Ștefan Vergatti**, Ph. D., Valahia University of Târgoviște, Romania - *The Severin Fortress and the Orthodox churches inside its fortifications*;
- Res. **Radu Ciuceanu**, Ph. D., National Institute for the Study of Totalitarianism of the Romanian Academy - *Post-December Statute of the Romanian Historian*.

#### **Books launch:**

- **Mihaela Bărbieru, Ileana Cioarec**, *Repere istorice și culturale: aspirații, certitudini și perspective*, Craiova, Editura Sitech, 2015, 440 p. [Historic and cultural landmarks: expectations, certainties, and perspectives].

**Presents:** Mihaela Bărbieru

- **Mihaela Bărbieru, Roxana Radu, Lucian Dindirică** (coord.), *Biserică și societate: paradigme, interpretări, implicații*, Târgoviște, Editura Cetatea de Scaun, 2015 [ Church and society: paradigms, interpretations, implications].

**Presents:** Mihaela Bărbieru & Lucian Dindirică

- *Anuarul Institutului de Cercetări Socio-Umane „CS Nicolăescu Plopșor”*, nr. XVI/2015, București, Editura Academiei Române. [Yearbook of the „CS Nicolăescu Plopșor”, Social-Humanistic Institute]
- *„Arhivele Olteniei”*, Serie Nouă, nr. 29/2015, București, Editura Academiei Române [Arhivele Olteniei”, New Series, no. 29/2015]

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Journal of Humanities, Culture and Social Sciences</i>, vol. 1, no. 1/ 2015, Târgoviște, Editura Cetatea de Scaun.</li> </ul> <p><b>Presents:</b> Mihaela Bărbieru &amp; Lucian Dindirică</p> <p><b>Autograph session</b></p>
17.00-19.45	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>First World War</b></p> <p><b>Language:</b> Italian  <b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Dinu C. Giurescu Hall</p> <p><b>Alberto Robol</b>, Regent, Foundation Opera Campana dei Caduti, Italy - <i>Maria Dolen: the bell of the fallen for peace</i>;  Res. <b>Quinto Antonelli</b>, “Historical Museum of Trentino” Foundation, Italy -<i>Diaries and Memories of the Trentino Soldiers in Romania (1916-1918)</i>;  <b>Michele Toss</b>, Historical Museum of Trentino, Italy - <i>In the line of fire! Flyers, Canzonets and protests songs during the World War I</i>;  Prof. <b>Tiziano Salvaterra</b>, Ph. D., University of Trento, Italy - <i>Consumption and its rationale: the attitude of the postmodern consumer</i>.</p> <p><b>Special guests:</b> <b>Morena Berti</b> – Italy;  <b>Giuseppe Ferrandi</b> – Italy;  <b>Silvio Cattani</b> – Italy.</p>
18.00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Conference and book launch - Petre Guran, Ph.D.</b></p> <p><b>Language:</b> Romanian  <b>Venue:</b> Mântuleasa Church</p>
17.00-19:45	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Antic &amp; Medieval History</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Monica Mărgărit, Ph.D.  <b>Language:</b> Romanian  <b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Academician Dan Berindei Library</p> <p>Assoc. Prof. <b>Mircea Negru</b>, Ph.D., Spiru Haret University Bucharest/ Senior archaeologist, Bucharest City Museum, Romania - <i>Romula – 50 years of systematic archaeological research</i>;</p>

<p>*</p>	<p>Lect. <b>Monica Mărgărit</b>, Ph. D., Valahia University of Târgoviște, Romania - <i>Personal adornments made of hard animal materials from the necropolis of Cernica</i>;</p> <p>Res. <b>Simona Lazar</b>, Ph. D., "C.S. Nicolăescu-Plopșor" Institute for Research in Social Studies and Humanities of the Romanian Academy, Craiova, Romania - <i>The contribution of C. S. Nicolaescu Plopșor Oltenia prehistoric research</i>;</p> <p>Res. <b>Oana-Andreia Sâmbrian</b>, Ph. D., "C.S. Nicolăescu-Plopșor" Institute for Social Studies and Humanities, Romania - <i>Spain and Transylvania during the Thirty Years' War: a general outlook</i>;</p> <p>Res. <b>Ileana Cioarec</b>, Ph.D, The Institut of Socio-Human Researches "C.S. Nicolăescu-Plopșor", Craiova, Romania - <i>The estates of the Jitianu Monastery</i>.</p> <p><b>Ciurea George-Cătălin</b>, Master of History – Medieval Studies, University of Bucharest, Romania, <i>The Kingship and the family: The origin of Radu Șerban</i>;</p> <p><b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p>
<p>17.00-19.45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Modern &amp; Contemporary History</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Sorin Liviu Damean, Ph.D.</p> <p><b>Language:</b> Romanian</p> <p><b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Marin Sorescu Hall</p> <p>Prof. <b>Ștefan Paun</b>, Ph.D., Hyperion University – Bucharest, Romania - <i>A Significant Document with Respect to the Situation of Romanian Agriculture in 1934</i>;</p> <p>Lect. <b>Mihai Ghițulescu</b>, Ph.D., University of Craiova, Faculty of Social Sciences, Romania, <i>The Royal Veto in Romania (1866-1938). Constitutional Provisions and Political Customs</i>;</p> <p><b>Nicolae Vilvoi</b>, Ph.D., Police Commissioner the Inspectorate of Police of the Dolj County, Romania - <i>Considerations on a batch of 100 fake coins 1859 - 20 lire Vittorio Emanuele II</i>;</p> <p><b>Radu Vinteanu</b>, counselor within the Cabinet of the President of the Dolj County Council, Romania, <i>Public administration in the early years of the reign of Carol up to 1918</i>;</p> <p>Assist. prof. <b>Cosmin - Ștefan Dogaru</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Political Science, University of Bucharest, Romania - <i>The strong connection between the electoral system and the Romanian two-party system (1866-1914)</i>;</p> <p>Assist. Prof. <b>Mihaela Ilie</b>, Ph.D., University of Craiova, Faculty of</p>

	<p>Social Sciences, Political Sciences Specialization, Romania - <i>The political impact that 1929 economic crisis had on the governing party of Romania</i>;</p> <p>Prof. <b>Cornel Mărculescu</b>, Ph.D., „Dora Dalles” School, Bucșani, Dâmbovița, Romania – The visit of the Tsar Nicolae II at Constanța within the press of that period (June 1914);</p> <p>Res. <b>Ghionea Georgeta</b>, Ph.D., „C. S. Nicolăescu-Plopșor” Socio-Human Research Institute, Craiova, Romania - <i>Co-operative institutions in Vâlcea County 1940-1948</i>;</p> <p>Res. <b>Mihai Nicolae</b>, Ph.D., “C.S. Nicolăescu-Plopșor” Institute for Researches in Social Sciences and Humanities, Romania - <i>Church, State and Social Normativity in Oltenia (1850-1870). How can the Romanian be a Good Christian and a Brave Citizen?</i>;</p> <p><b>Toma Radulescu</b>, Ph.D., curator of the Archiepiscopate of Craiova, Romania - <i>Demographic sources concerning „Sf. Arhangheli” district (neighbourhood) of Craiova from the Organic Regulation to the reforms of Al. I. Cuza (1832-1865)</i>;</p> <p><b>Alexandru Ionescu</b>, Ph.D.c., University of Craiova, Faculty of Social Sciences / Dolj County Library „Alexandru and Aristia Aman”, Romania – Prince Carol visit to Moldova reflected in the press of that time (1870).</p> <p><b>Raluca Sandu</b>, Librarian, “Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, <i>A survey over lecture in the 18<sup>th</sup> Romanian century</i>;</p> <p>* <b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p>
<p>17.00-19.45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Media &amp; Cultural Studies</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Mihai Ghițulescu, Ph.D.</p> <p><b>Language:</b> Romanian</p> <p><b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Ștefan Ciuceanu Hall</p> <p>Assist. Prof. <b>Gabriel Nedelea</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Letters, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Mateiu I. Caragiale, Author and Character</i>;</p> <p>Lect. <b>Daniela OSIAC</b>, Ph.D.c., Faculty of Letters, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Society/Tolerance in online Romania</i>;</p> <p><b>Mihaela Cristina Pârvu</b>, Ph. D., Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Religion as a trigger for disadvantaged peoples's resilience</i>;</p> <p><b>Elena Steluța Dinu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of History and Philosophy, “Babeș Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania - <i>Health</i></p>

<p>*</p>	<p><i>legislation in the Romanian Principalities from Organic Regulations until 1874;</i></p> <p><b>Livia Dana Pogan</b>, Ph.D.c., Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, The importance of social support in balancing professional and private roles;</p> <p>Res. <b>Sava (Mirea) Antoaneta Laura</b>, Ph.D., "C.S. Nicolăescu-Plopșor" Institute for Research in Social Studies and Humanities – Romanian Academy, Craiova / Ph.D.c., Faculty of Law and Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>The emerging of the "human dignity" concept: origin, evolution, meanings;</i></p> <p>Assist. Prof. <b>Adela Teodorescu (Calotă)</b>, Faculty of Law, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Translating Worlds of Law: The Case of Romania;</i></p> <p>Assoc. Prof. <b>Eugenia Udangiu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Interculturality as a Narrative;</i></p> <p>Res. <b>Ceașescu Anca</b>, Ph.D, The Institute of Socio-Human Researches "C. S. Nicolăescu Plopșor", Romania - <i>The institution of godparenting in the traditional communities from Oltenia.</i></p> <p><b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p>
<p>17.00-19.45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Diplomacy and European Studies</b></p> <p><b>Moderators:</b> Lucian Dindirică, Ph.D. &amp; Radu Cristian Petcu, Ph.D.  <b>Language:</b> Romanian  <b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman" Dolj County Library, Elena Farago Hall</p> <p>Lect. <b>Radu Cristian Petcu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Spheres and Lateralism: influence, interests, and norms in international relations;</i></p> <p>Lect. <b>Andreea-Mihaela Niță</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania – <i>Mechanisms of applying european policies regarding workers and jobs management;</i></p> <p>Assist. prof. <b>Alexandra Porumbescu</b>, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Romania in the geopolitical and economical context of the Black Sea;</i></p> <p><b>Ligia Niculae</b>, Ph.D., "Mihai Viteazul" National Intelligence Academy – Bucharest, Romania - <i>The Nonlinear Evolution of Society;</i></p> <p><b>Mihaela Cătălina Opran</b>, Ph.D.c., Faculty of Law, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>The State's obligation to guarantee a person's right of free access to justice;</i></p>

	<p>Assoc. prof. <b>Roxana Radu</b>, Faculty of Law and Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>The Implication of European Union Rules on Employment Capacity of Romanian Citizens</i>;</p> <p><b>Oana-Elena Brânda</b>, Ph.D.c., History Faculty, University of Bucharest, Romania - <i>Manifestations of anti-Americanism in the United Kingdom between 2001-2003</i>;</p> <p>Prof. <b>Radu Baltasiu</b>, Ph.D., Manager of the European Centre of Ethnical Problems of the Romanian Academy, Romania &amp; Res.</p> <p><b>Ovidiana Bulumac</b>, Ph.D., European Centre of Ethnical Problems of the Romanian Academy, Romania - <i>Strategic reconfiguration in the security space. Cyberspace and state order</i>.</p>
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20.00	<b>Dinner</b>

30<sup>th</sup> of October 2015

	<p align="center"><b>Plennary session</b> <b>Keynote Speakers</b></p>
09.30-12.30	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Sorin Liviu Damean, Ph.D. &amp; Apostolos Patelakis, Ph.D.</p> <p><b>Language:</b> Romanian</p> <p><b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Dinu C. Giurescu Hall</p> <p>Prof. <b>Apostolos Patelakis</b>, Ph.D., Institute for Balkan Studies, Thessaloniki, Greece - <i>The Principality of Pindos – An Unfulfilled Dream of the Vlachs (1941-1943)</i>;</p> <p>Prof. <b>Michael G. Tritos</b>, Ph.D., Dean of the Faculty of Theology of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece - <i>The Orthodox Church in Balkans, today</i>;</p> <p>Prof. <b>Onişoru Gheorghe</b>, Ph.D., Ştefan cel Mare University, Suceava, Romania - <i>Some considerations about Romania during the period of the National-Legionary State (september 1940 – janaury 1941)</i>;</p> <p>Assoc. Prof. <b>Nicolae Melinescu</b>, Ph.D., “Babeş-Boliay University”, Cluj-Napoca, Romania - <i>The state of unpreparedness</i>;</p> <p>Assist. Prof. <b>Lucian Dindirică</b>, Ph.D., Manager of County Library “Alexandru and Arisia Aman”/Faculty Social Sciences of Craiova, Romania – <i>The Bishop’s seat of Oltenia: from Severin to Râmnic</i></p>

	<p>and, finally, at Craiova;</p> <p>Res. <b>Petre Guran</b>, Ph.D., Institute for South-East European Studies, Romanian Academy, Romania - <i>The Byzantine "Symphony" of State and Church and its Modern Developments in Southeastern Europe</i>.</p>
14.00-16.30	<p><b>Plenary session</b> <b>Keynote Speakers</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Nicolae Melinescu, Ph.D. &amp; Gheorghe Onișoru, Ph.D. <b>Language:</b> Romanian <b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Dinu C. Giurescu Hall</p> <p>Assoc. Prof. <b>Adrian – Cosmin Basarabă</b>, Ph. D., The West University of Timișoara, Romania &amp; Lect. <b>Claudiu Marian</b>, Ph. D., Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca – Romania - <i>Socio-political aspects of regional international organizations - Case Study: NAFTA</i>; Prof. <b>Valentin Ciorbea</b>, Ph. D., Associate member of the Academy of Romanian Scientists/ Ovidius University of Constanța, Doctoral School of Humanities, Romania –<i>Rear Admiral Horia Macelarriu (1894-1989): A personality connected to Craiova</i>; Prof. <b>Sorin Liviu Damean</b>, Ph.D., Academy of Romanian Scientists/Faculty of Social Sciences of Craiova, Romania – <i>The problem of the succession to the Romanian Throne (1880-1889)</i>; Lect. <b>Enache Tușa</b>, Ph.D., University “Ovidius” of Constanța, Romania - <i>Plural identity and social integration - the effects of the colonization process in Dobrogea</i>; Lect. <b>Sorin Cirstescu</b>, Ph. D., “Spiru Haret” University in Bucharest, Romania - <i>Lieutenant Erwin Rommel on the Mount Cosna (6th - 20th august 1917)</i>;</p>
16.30 – 18.00	<p><b>Books launch</b></p> <p><b>Language:</b> Romanian <b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Dinu C. Giurescu Hall</p> <p><b>Editor: Sorin Cristescu</b> <i>Scrisorile Regelui Ferdinand al României, vol. I</i> [Letters of King Ferdinand the 1st of Romania, vol. 1]. <b>Presents: Sorin Cristescu</b></p> <p><b>Gheorghe Onișoru, Istoria lumii contemporane : de la revoluția</b></p>

	<p><i>bolșevică până în zilele noastre (1917-2015) [ The History of contemporary world : from the Bolshevik revolution until today (1917-2015)].</i></p> <p><b>Presents: Gheorghe Onișoru</b></p> <p><b>Cosmin - Ștefan Dogaru</b>, <i>Carol I și bipartidismul românesc (1866-1914) [ Carol the 1<sup>st</sup> and Romanian two-partism system (1866-1914)].</i></p> <p><b>Presents: Cosmin-Ștefan Dogaru</b></p> <p><b>Dumitru-Cătălin Rogojanu</b>, <i>Imaginea torționarului comunist reflectată în memorialistica universului concentraționar românesc (1947-1989) [ The image of communist torturer reflected in the memoirs of the Romanian concentrionary universe (1947-1989)].</i></p> <p><b>Presents: Dumitru Cătălin Rogojanu</b></p> <p><b>Autograph session</b></p>
18.00-20.00	<p><b>Modern &amp; Contemporary History</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Valentin Ciorbea, Ph.D. &amp; Petre Guran, Ph.D.  <b>Language:</b> Romanian / English  <b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Dinu C. Giurescu Hall</p> <p>Prof. <b>Adrian Pop</b>, Ph.D., National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania - <i>Between National and Party Interests: The Romanian Communists at the Paris Peace Conference (1946);</i></p> <p>Res. <b>Serban Pătrașcu</b>, Ph.D., „C.S. Nicolăescu-Plopșor” Institute of Socio-Human Researches, Craiova, Romania - <i>Red Army in Craiova 1944-1949 (I);</i></p> <p>Res. <b>Marian-Alin Dudoi</b>, Ph. D., Romania - <i>The Transylvanian Issue in Swedish Views (Late 1944 and Early 1945);</i></p> <p>Res. <b>Radu Ciuceanu</b>, Ph.D., National Institute for the Study of Totalitarianism of the Romanian Academy, Bucharest, Romania - <i>Post-December Statute of the Romanian Historian;</i></p> <p>Res. <b>Dumitru-Cătălin Rogojanu</b>, Ph.D., Deva Museum of Dacian and Roman Civilisation, Romania - <i>Ileana Paulina Geller – recovery of memory and history of a deported woman;</i></p> <p><b>Răduț Bogdan Emanuel</b>, Union of Brethren Assemblies of Romania, <i>The impact of the World War II concerning the Religious Association "Brethren Assemblies";</i></p>

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18.00-20.00	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Media &amp; Cultural Studies</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Cristina Ilie Goga, Ph.D. &amp; Emilia Sorescu, Ph.D.  <b>Language:</b> Romanian  <b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Radu Ciuceanu Hall</p> <p>Lect. <b>Gabriela Motoi</b>, Ph.D, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania – <i>Power and privileges in a globalized society. An analysis of Gerhard Lenski's social stratification theory</i>;</p> <p>Lect. <b>Emilia Sorescu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania – <i>The effects of globalization on social work development</i>;</p> <p>Assist. Prof. <b>Cristina Ilie Goga</b>, Ph.D, University of Craiova, Faculty of Social Sciences, Romania - <i>Is the dignity of inmates</i></p>

	<p><i>respected in Romanian prison system? Analysis of empirical data;</i>          Assist. Prof. <b>Veronica Gheorghiiță</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Craiova, Romania – <i>Quality of life in Europe: Material living conditions and subjective well-being;</i>  <b>Alexandru-Paul Gherman</b>, Ph.D, Romania - <i>The place and role of the Catholic Church in contemporary Europe;</i>  <b>Defta Iulia Lavinia</b>, PhD C., University of Craiova, Faculty of law, Romania - <i>AN EUROPEAN DIMENSION OF THE ECONOMIC CRISIS</i>  <b>Jivan Oana Mihaela</b>, Ph.D C., "Nicolae Titulescu" Law School, Craiova –Romania - <i>Prerogatives of Article 49 of the Constitution of Romania;</i>  <b>Alina-Mirela Marcu</b>, Ph.D, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iasi, Romania - <i>The concept of sustainable development in the context of the European Year for Development 2015;</i>  <b>Milka Nicoleta Rotaru</b>, Ph.D. c., Al.I.Cuza University, Iași, Romania, <i>Forgiveness as a mediator between intimacy and commitment;</i>  <b>Ana Maria Vavură</b>, Ph.D.c., University of Bucharest, Faculty of Philosophy, Romania - <i>Origene's philosophy and Christian theology.</i>  <b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p>
<p>18.00-20.00</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Diplomacy and European Studies</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Alexandru Ionicescu, Ph.D.c. &amp; Raluca Sandu  <b>Language:</b> Romanian  <b>Venue:</b> „Alexandru and Aristia Aman” Dolj County Library, Academician Dan Berindei Library</p> <p>Prof. <b>Teodor Sâmbrian</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Law, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Juridical Archaisms not included in the Dictionary of the Romanian Language. Letters A-F;</i>          Res. <b>Lorena-Valeria Stuparu</b>, Ph.D., Institute of Political Sciences and International Relations of the Romanian Academy, Romania - <i>National community and global society;</i>  <b>Mihaela-Alexandra Vezuina</b>, Ph.D.c., Peoples' Friendship University of Russia, the Department of Theory and History of International Relations, Moscow, Russia - <i>The contribution of Romania to the Southeast European security;</i>  <b>Roxana Marin</b>, Doctoral Fellow, Romanian Academy, Iași branch</p>

<p>*</p>	<p>&amp; Ph.D.c., Doctoral School of Political Science, University of Bucharest, Romania - <i>Recruiting political elites at the local level: patterns and examples in East-Central Europe</i>;</p> <p><b>Adela Elena Micică</b>, Ph.D.c., University of Craiova, Faculty of Law, Romania – <i>Fundamental Laws under the tutelage of the European Union</i>;</p> <p><b>Elena Cristina Murgu</b>, Ph.D.c., University of Craiova, Faculty of Law, Romania – <i>The legal conflict of constitutional nature – a problem of constitutional loyalty?</i>;</p> <p><b>Maria-Iuliana Ciocan</b>, Ph.D.c., “Lucian Blaga” University of Sibiu, Romania – Rights of the parties in the enforcement procedure in the light of the decisions of the decisions of the European Court of Human Rights;</p> <p><b>Mihaela Dudău</b>, IT specialist at Aman Dolj County Library, Romania - <i>Navigating in the data networks - a reality not only for library reader</i>;</p> <p>Assist. Prof. <b>Shahrul Mizan Ismail</b>, Ph.D., Ahmad Ibrahim Kulliyah of Laws, International Islamic University Malaysia - <i>Purging Conflicts in Universalism of Human Rights, Ridding Enforcement Impediments in International Human Rights Law: The ECHR as a Case Study</i>;</p> <p>Assist. <b>Ivana Brstilo</b>, Ph.D.c., Catholic University of Croatia, Department of Sociology, Croatia &amp; Assist. <b>Damir Miloš</b>, Ph.D.c., Catholic University of Croatia, Department of Sociology, Croatia - <i>Value orientations and expectations from the state among youth in Croatia: (post)materialistic perspective on state interventionism</i>;</p> <p><b>Cristian Isvoranu</b>, “Alexandru and Aristia Aman” County Library, Craiova, Romania - <i>“St. Trinity” Church of Craiova and its restoration by the Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen family</i>.</p> <p><b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p>
<p>21.00</p>	<p><b>Gala Dinner</b></p>
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10.00

**Christian paradigm of a united Europe. Religious education: valences, requirements, finalities**

**Moderator:** Fr. Adrian Ivan, Ph.D. & Florentin Remus Mogonea, Ph.D.

**Language:** Romanian

**Venue:** The Restoration Center of the Faculty of Theology of Craiova,

Prof. **Constantin Cucuș**, Ph.D., Faculty of Psychology and Sciences of Education, University "Al. I. Cuza" from Iași, Romania - *Religious Education – Bases and Formative-Cultural Virtues*;

Prof. **Gheorghe Iancu**, Ph.D., Faculty of Law from Bucharest, Romania - *The Applied Religion and the Education*;

Prof. **Irina Zlătescu**, PhD, Faculty of Law from Bucharest, Director of Romanian Institute of Human Writhes, Romania - *Reserved Title*

Senior Lecturer **Vasile Timiș**, Ph.D., Faculty of Psychology and Educational Science from Cluj-Napoca, Romania - *Religion and Culture, Estate and Church in the Europe of the 20th Century*;

Prof. **Porzia Quagliarella**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology of Bari, Italy - *The Perception about God, from Childhood to the Adult Age*;

Prof. **Emil Traytchev Stoyanov**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, Sofia University „St. Kliment Ohridski”, Bulgaria - *The Old Testament as a Scripture of the Church*;

Lect. **Andrian Alexandrov**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, Sofia University „St. Kliment Ohridski”, Bulgaria - *Education in Bulgaria – Problems and Actual Debates*;

Assoc. Prof. **Ekaterina Damjanova**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology, Sofia University „St. Kliment Ohridski”, Bulgaria - *Biblical toponyms in Orthodox worship*;

Fr. Lect. **Vasile Crețu**, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology from Bucharest, Romania - *The Actual Situation of Religion Class in Romania*;

Fr. Lect. **Dorin Opreș**, Ph.D., DPPD, University of Alba, Romania - *Education and Religion in Today's School. Realizations, Challenges and Chances*;

Prof. **Monica Opreș**, Orthodox Seminary “Saint Stephan” from Alba, Romania - *A Theological and Pedagogical Perspective on the Values of the Young People from Today*;

Judge **Cristian Nicolae Iliescu**, Ph.D., Court Balș from Districte Dolj, Romania - *The Liberty of Religion in the Jurisprudence of European Court of Human Rights*;

*	<p>Lect. <b>Gabrieala Rusu-Păsărin</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Letters from Craiova, Romania - <i>Communication, Emotion and Persuasion in the Religious Education. The Triad School – Family – Church</i>;</p> <p>Prof. <b>Silvia Cârțu</b>, President of Association "Parents for the Religion Class"-Dolj, Manager of the School „Mihai Eminescu” from Craiova, Romania - <i>The Importance of Religious Education in the Relationship Family – Church – School</i>;</p> <p>Prof. <b>Iuliana Gheorghe</b>, Ph.D., ISJ Dolj, Romania - <i>The Evolution of Religious Education in the Schools of District Dolj</i>;</p> <p>Assist. Prof. <b>Adrian Roșan</b>, Ph.D., Special Education Department, Babeș-Bolyai University from Cluj-Napoca, Romania &amp; Res. Assist. <b>Marian Pădure</b>, Ph.D., Special Education Department, Babeș-Bolyai University from Cluj-Napoca, Romania - <i>The Values in Action and Satisfaction in Life in the Context of Religious Faith</i>;</p> <p>Lect. <b>Florentin Remus Mogonea</b>, Ph.D., DPPD, University from Craiova, Romania - <i>Reconsidering the educational partnership with the purpose of promoting Christian religious values</i>;</p> <p>Lect. <b>Mihaela Aurelia Ștefan</b>, Ph.D., DPPD, University from Craiova, Romania - <i>The Religious Dimension of Education-from Theory to Experience</i>.</p> <p><b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p>
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10.00	<p><b>Christian paradigm of a united Europe. Religious education: valences, requirements, finalities</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Fr. Adrian Boldișor, Ph.D. Ionita Apostolache, Boldisor</p> <p><b>Language:</b> Romanian</p> <p><b>Venue:</b> The Restoration Center of the Faculty of Theology of Craiova, Str. Brestei nr. 24</p> <p>Fr. Lect. <b>Nicolae Răzvan Stan</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology from Craiova, Romania - <i>The Spiritual Finality of Religious Education</i>;</p> <p>Fr. Lect. <b>Adrian Boldișor</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology from Craiova, Romania - <i>The Importance of Christian Education in the Context of Interreligious Dialog</i>;</p> <p>Fr. Lect. <b>Adrian Ivan</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology from Craiova, Romania - <i>The Theological Sense of Parental Authority in the Christian Concept of Education</i>;</p> <p>Fr. Lect. <b>Constnatin Băjău</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology from Craiova, Romania - <i>Religious Education in the Work of Saint Gregory the Theologian</i>;</p> <p>Fr. Lect. <b>Ion Reșceanu</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology from Craiova,</p>
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*	<p>Romania - <i>The Character and Attributes of the Good Shepherd in the Old Testament</i>;          Senior Lect. <b>Aurel Pera</b>, Ph.D., DPPD, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>The Psychologically Implication of the Christian Education Ideal at Children and Young People</i>;          Deac. Lect. <b>Ioniță Apostolache</b>, Ph.D., Faculty of Theology from Craiova, Romania - <i>Pedagogia Perennis. The Biblical and Apologetic Perspective in the Relationship between Avva and Disciple in the Orthodox Tradition</i>;          Lect. <b>Alexandrina Mihaela Popescu</b>, Ph.D., DPPD, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>The current status of religious education in the education system in Romania</i>;          Lect. <b>Ecaterina Sarah Frăsineanu</b>, Ph.D., DPPD, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Methods of self-education and moral-religious formation of man</i>;          Lect. <b>Vali Ilie</b>, Ph.D., DPPD, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Religious education contribution to the spiritual development of the human being</i>;          Lect. <b>Florentina Mogonea</b>, Ph.D., DPPD, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>Methodological aspects of conscience formation and religious behavior of pupils</i>;          Lect. <b>Valentin Bușu Oprea</b>, Ph.D., DPPD, University of Craiova, Romania - <i>The Importance of Christian Education in the Development of the Youth Conscience and Moral Conduit</i>;          Lect. <b>Răzvan-Alexandru Călin</b>, Ph.D., DPPD, University of Craiova, Romania - &amp; Stud. <b>Maria Pistrițiu</b>, <i>Values of the Orthodoxy Transmitted by the Ecclesiastical Painting Case Study - "Assumption of the Virgin" Church of Vădeni</i>;          Assoc. Prof. <b>Laura Butaru</b>, Ph.D., The Pedagogical He school from Drobeta-Turnu Severin, Romania - <i>Some methodological aspects about assessment in school for Religion</i>;          Assoc. Prof. <b>Raluca-Ștefania Balica</b>, Ph. D., Faculty of Political Science, Philosophy and Sciences of Communication, University of Timisoara, Romania - <i>Religious Education in the Thinking of the Holly Fathers of the Church and of the Christian Philosophers</i>.  <b>Registration of the participants is made at the beginning of each section.</b></p>
5 <sup>th</sup> of November 2015	
Departure	
The deadline for paper submission is 30 <sup>th</sup> of November 2015.	

# Keynote Speakers

## **Cezar AVRAM**

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## **Valentin CIORBEA**

Areas of scientific research: the evolution of Dobrogea between 1878-1945; the history of Constanta harbor, of the Military Marine of Romania and contemporary universal history. Author of 32 books, out of which 10 as a single author, 13 co-authored, 13 coordinated volumes and 135 articles and studies, co-author of the Treaty of the History of Romanians, vol. VII, tome 2, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition, Enciclopedia Publishing House, 2015, edited by the Romanian Academy. Director of the Research Centre of Cooperation between the Romanian Orthodox Church and the Romanian Army "General Paul Teodorescu", located at Dintr-un Lemn Monastery, Romania. Founder of the journals: "Orizonturi istoriografice" and "MISIUNEA". Holder of several awards granted by the Society of Historical Sciences and the Admirals' Club and, in 2007, of the "Mihail Kogalniceanu" award by the Romanian Academy for the word on "The Evolution of Dobrogea between 1918 and 1944. Contributions to Knowledge about Geopolitical, Economic, Demographic and Naval, Political and Military Aspects.

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Private correspondence of King Charles I (1878 - 1912), Editura Tritonic, București, 2005,

Charles I and the Romania's policy (1878 -1912), Editura Paideia, București, 2007.

Letters of King Charles I from Sigmaringen Archive, Editura Paideia, București, 2011.

King Charles I in Austro-Hungarian Diplomatic Reports, vol. I (1877 - 1896), vol. II (1896 -1908) Editura Paideia, București, 2013, 2014.

Briefe Koenigs Carol I. an seine Familie [Letters of King Charles I to his family 1878 -1912] three volumes, German Language, Editura Paideia, București, 2013.

Letters of King Ferdinand I of Romania, Editura Cetatea de Scaun, Târgoviște, 2015, vol. I.

King Charles II – Letters to His Parents, Editura Tritonic, București, 2015.

University handbooks, translations.

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## **ÎPS Ion Popa IRINEU**

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## **Apostolos PATELAKIS**

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His last publications: Enache TUȘA – *Romanian Revolution through the Eyes of a Contemporary. Some Reflections upon Some Confused Events*, in *Sfera Politicii*, Year. XXII, no. 6 (182) november-december 2014. Volume issued by Henrieta Anișoara Șerban and Cristian-Ion Popa, ***Republican Political Philosophy: Modern and Contemporary Aspects*** with a contribution Enache TUȘA, *Projects and Visions upon the Republican Form of Government in Romanian Society*, International Relations and Political Sciences Institute Publisher, Bucharest, 2014, 310 p.

## **Victor ȚVIRCUN**

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Latest books:

"Viața și destinul lui Dimitrie Cantemir " (București, 2015),  
 "Соратник Петра Великого" (Санкт-Петербург, 2015) - despre viața și activitatea lui Toma Cantacuzino. "Pe urmele trecutului " (Chisinau, 2015).

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## *Diaries and Memories of the Trentino Soldiers in Romania (1916-1918)*

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### Abstract

More than 55.000 Trentinians, aged 18 - 50, were enlisted in the Austro-Hungarian army and sent to fight on the battle field against the Russian army. Their destinations were Galitia, l Volinia and Bucovina, which had subsequently become the conflict zones of a war in movement and of frightening battles. But, due to the multiethnic character of the armies, the Trentinians, as the Italians of the seashores, reached the Serbian war zone and then the Italo-Austrian one, and at the end of 1916, they arrived in Romania. Among the reserve troops, the pioneers and the diggers, which followed the combat units, there were also the Italians from Austria, some of which had written diaries about their arrival and about the time spent in the Siret war zone. In the centre of their texts, we do not find out only about the military events, but they describe the territory with its characteristics (agriculture, oil wells), the towns and the villages with their small, white houses, the food, customs and traditions, the traditional costumes of women, the gipsies with their strange music (after the fall of Bucharest December 1916, quite limited references, but more extensive until November 1917). Their look was inevitably directed towards the superficial aspects of reality and reflected that paternal and benevolent attitude of the soldier belonging to the occupying army.

**Keywords:** Austrian Italians, Austro-Hungarian, war diary, First World War.

***“The Way, the True and the Life” in the Light of Incarnated Logos. The Confessor Work of the Word from Prefiguration to Concrete***

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**Abstract**

In the antic philosophy Socrates, Plato and Aristotle where the first apologists of the Logos, first like concept and rationality, secondly like personal relationship with the divine power. In the Jewish tradition the concept of Logos (dabar) was received in a mystical form like the Supreme Wisdom, an attribute of Yahve. Saint John the Theologian said in the first chapter of his Gospel that “the Logos was the true Light that lights all man that come in to the world” (v. 9). This divine true has been preached by the first Christian Apologists Fathers.

**Keywords:** Holy Scripture, Incarnated Logos, Apologetic theology, Christian Apologists, “the Light of Truth”.

***Pedagogia Perenis. The Biblical and Apologetic Perspective  
in the Relationship between Avva and Disciple in the  
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Pedagogia perenis is the basis of Christian Apologetic in the Orthodox Christian Church. It starts from the biblical concepts that are shared in the history of human race by our Lord teaching. In the oriental monastic tradition, this concept is revealed in the relationship between avva and disciple. Our study tries to discover and analyzes the biblical and apologetic perspective of this kind of relationship.

**Keywords:** Holy Scripture, Apologetic theology, perennial pedagogy, oriental monastic tradition.

***Italy at sunset of the first Republic: the fight against corruption and the ascension of Silvio Berlusconi***

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During this period when anti-corruption investigations become an everyday phenomenon in all spheres of political and professional life in Romania, this exposure deals with a period in the history of contemporary Italy, characterized by the same phenomenon. The authors analyse the evolution of the Italian political parties after 1989 – the fall of the Berlin wall, the decline of the Italian Socialist Party and of the Christian Democratic Party, the magnitude of corruption, the ascension of Silvio Berlusconi in both the business world and on the political scene, as well as some of the most important trials in which he played a key role.

**Keywords:** no more than 5-6 words: party, politics, corruption, trial, judge

*Strategic reconfiguration in the security space. Cyberspace  
and state order*

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Given the new development of cyberspace, one can identify a new dimension of the national security domain. However, a tendency to massively ideologize the subject through its transformation into a space of civic militants and its connection with the hybrid type of conflict is more and more significant. From this perspective, we shall argue the shift of security with four short case studies: 1. The cyber-attack suffered by Estonia in 2007, 2. the Wikileaks phenomenon, 3. the Mandiant report, as well as 4. the on-going crisis E. Snowden generated since 2013.

**Keywords:** cyberspace, national security, Wikileaks, cyber-attack, Snowden, hybrid-conflict.

## ***Socio-political aspects of regional international organizations - Case Study: NAFTA***

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Currently, the regional organizations play the roles of genuine actors on the international stage, and while in the past they were not of great importance for the nation states, now they are indispensable through both their internal and external policies. Their development through time and multiple stages, in some cases, such as the EU's, we can clearly see the gradual shift from a simple commercial agreement to a political union, and NAFTA tends to slowly follow the same path. In this context, the paper analyses NAFTA's impact, starting from the macro level, on the North American continent as a whole, to the micro level, on the quality of the citizens' life, touching upon issues related to social policies, such as those of migration, environmental protection or employment and workers' rights. Moreover, at the time of NAFTA's negotiations and signing, these issues were given little attention, the main objective at the time being of an economic nature, that of liberalizing commerce

**Keywords:** globalisation, international organizations, NAFTA.

## *Sight of divine light in St. Symeon the New Theologian*

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St. Simeon acknowledges Christian dogma in his own unmistakable way, as one who lived and was revealed the Divine Light in a supernatural, miraculous way, light that comes from God, but that requests both man's worthiness and prayer who believes that God is light and only in the light of His Godliness He can be known. He receives Christ in the light and urges the other Christians to seek and acquire light from earthly life: "Blessed are those who have recognized, yet here Light of God as the Lord Himself, because they will stand unashamed before him in the age to come "(Discourse Ethics 10).

**Keywords:** St. Symeon the New Theologian, Holy Light, the divinity of Christ, mystic theology.

*The Metaphysic of Light in the Areopagitic Tradition  
(prehistory and evolution)*

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In the last 25 years, although on the Romanian political scene evolved also female people who constantly tried to impose themselves in a man's world, their level of involvement was and is still quite low. This study aims to highlight the role that they play in Romanian political architecture and their systematic concern but also of civil society regarding equal opportunities and gender equality, which, compared to communist times, was boosted after the 90's, having a shift towards the states in the Western Europe. Equal opportunities and gender equality and political representation of women is dominated by features specific to the East European space, traits that are based on the ways in which communist regimes in the region, in which Romania is part, have treated this issue. In order to support those alleged, the author intends to conduct an analysis and then a comparison of involvement and representation of women in the electoral process during the communist period versus post-communist period, on the one hand, and, on the other hand, an analysis of the post-Communist period that will be divided into two sections – the years 1990-2000 and 2001-2015 years. By using statistical data and comments on political texts of the author, the study envisages the involvement of civil society, political parties and governments in promoting women in Romanian public space.

**Keywords:** post-communist period, political involvement, women, analysis, electoral process.

***Divine Light as Food for Mind and Source of Consciousness.  
An Answer to the Latest Challenges of Trans-Humanism***

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More specifically, in the light of the bold trans-humanist claims to create the hologram-man, detached from the body and with an autonomous energetic-informational existence, interconnected into an energetic-informational cloud, the study attempts to show that man, as he created by God is connected through the uncreated energies of the grace of God with the divine Logos, trans-humanists revealing themselves as mere weak and proud imitators of the divine pattern of mankind interrelationship by grace, or even some violators of the divine light privacy and divine Logos. Patristic and Filocalia texts state clearly the quality of divine light as true food for mind and as consciousness enlightenment of a living inter-subjectivity phenomenon and communion that only this uncreated divine light can achieve in its deepest spiritual dimensions.

**Keywords:** Trans-Humanism, Divine Light, Patristic Theology, divine Logos.

## *Popular Calendar from winter to spring specific to region Oltenia*

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The study highlights the importance of the popular calendar for winter and spring to the Romanian communities in the region of Oltenia. There are many traditions present in this period of time, from the birth of Christ to spring when is celebrating the Easter, the Resurrection of Christ. There will be presented traditions from the beginning of winter – Saint Andrew, Saint Nicolae, Christmas, Saint Vasile, Saint Ioan, Epiphany, Saint Trifon till the beginning of spring – Dragobetele, 1 March, Mucenicii, Easter. There will be presented special traditions specific to different ethnographical regions from Oltenia – from Dolj, Olt, Mehedinți, Gorj, Vâlcea.

**Keywords:** traditions, popular calendar, Christmas, Easter, ethnographic regions.

## ***.Alexander and Cesare Borgia in tumultuous history of the Renaissance***

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Alexandru and Aristia Aman Dolj County Library is the holder of two bibliographic volumes, written in French, entitled *La vie du Pape Alexandre VI et fils Cesar Borgia. Contenant les guerres de Charles VIII si Ludovic XII. Rois de France, et les principales Negociation & Revolutions arrivées en Italie depuis l'année 1492, jusqu'en 1506.* The author, Alexander Gordon, portrays the figures of the two members of Borgia family, also known as Borja, Borjia, Borge, a European papal family, originating from Aragon kingdom of Spain, which became famous during the Renaissance period. Art lover, it supported the development of artistic talent and distinguished in the ecclesiastical field with: Alfonso Borje, known as Pope Calixtus the IIIrd (1455-1458) and his nephew Rodrigo Lanzol Borgia, the famous Alexander the VIth (1492-1503). Born Roderic de Borja i Llançol at January 1st 1431 in Xativa, Kingdom of Valencia, was adopted by his maternal uncle, Alfonso. Called in Italy, he benefits from exquisite humanistic education, obtaining a doctorate in civil and canonic law at Bologna, although he was considered to be among immoral popes of all Italian Renaissance. Another portrayed figure is that of Cesare Borgia, son of Alexander Sixtus, who became cardinal in 1493. Concluded a marriage of convenience with Louis family girl, he was entrusted a French army, starting a remarkable military career. Holds various positions, becoming commandant general of papal army and a dominant political figure in central Italy.

**Keywords:** Alexander the VI<sup>th</sup>, Cesare Borgia, Renaissance, history, papal

## *The Symbolism of Light in the History of Religion*

### *Interaction between public and museum object, a managerial approach in the exhibition space*

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#### **Abstract**

Rethinking the museum space in general and the cultural exhibition in particular, as developments necessary to meet the increasingly sophisticated requirements of public visitors, imprint to the current museology new axiomatic coordinates. In this context, we can design the exhibition space as a place of socialization, networking activities and interaction with museum objects, with self and others, a space designed to put new communication coordination relationship of the museum subject with the visiting public. In this micro-cultural universe that is the exhibition, the visitor is free to create and recreate scenarios around objects, which, in turn, act directly on the intellect, emotions and sensory of the visitor. In these areas occur interaction and networking aimed at changing opinions and tastes of the visitor and to re-capitalize the museum objects.

**Keywords:** museum object, public, museum, exhibition, relations, management.

## *The Symbolism of Light in the History of Religion*

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### **Abstract**

In the History of Religion the symbolism of light was always present. From the ancient times, man received the desire of discovering the original true. In this purpose he started a permanent research action. Therefore, in the majority of religion the light is the symbol of wisdom and the confirmation of true. Mircea Eliade spoked about this aspects in his entire work. In this way we will try to analyze the most important ideas of the prefiguration of Light, from the ancient time until today.

**Keywords:** History of Religion, Mircea Eliade, Symbolism, relationship, prefiguration.

## *The Importance of Christian Education in the Context of Interreligious Dialog*

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### **Abstract**

The analysis performed in connection with religious education in Romania has pointed out that after fatal atheist communist period in which religious denominations were excluded from social life and religious education was restricted and then completely excluded from public education in most cases being only present in families who passed it on ancestral beliefs, in our time, with the establishment of democratic regimes in Romania, religion has regained the place it deserves in society. In the last 25 years were made considerable efforts to correct the mistakes of the past and at the same time, attempt to respect religious freedom, as they are present throughout Europe, without abandoning the Romanian national values. With these values the Romanian people appears before Europe, trying to meet the challenges of any kind in the world today.

**Keywords:** History of Religion, interreligious dialog, Christian education, Romania.

***Seeing as Commandment: "Look!" "See!" "Watch!" or the  
Valences of Visual Experiences Specific to Christ's Disciples  
and Other "seers" of Lord***

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**Abstract**

The visual experience of the disciples as witnesses of the Savior is shared by them through confession being in the same time the experience of the Church. But not all those who have seen the historical Jesus believed in Him and their testimony is different of that of the Apostles both before and after the Resurrection. Although they saw the same reality, they perceived it differently, they "saw" something else. If reality is the same, what distinguishes these views? The usual answer is that ancestral and personal sins alter human nature transforming it into a poor one in perceiving divine realities; senses and especially seeing being the "gates of soul" besieged by temptations. But creation also, light included, included have suffered because of sin, being often used by the devil to "show" the man an illusory reality and his inner self as "an angel of light." Disciples' sense of sight is besieged by temptation until Rising, and seeing is sometimes darkened by unbelief or made difficult by sleep. They wouldn't have been able to see Christ properly either during daylight or with the eyes of the body. He is the Light of Truth and reveals Himself to the disciples according to level of their faith, in the light of divine commandments (cf. Ps. 118, 105).

**Keywords:** Christ, the Apostles, light, vision, the blind, command, witness.

*The contents of written Christian Mission to the church in  
Philippi or number of pauline epistles addressed for the  
earliest Christians in Europe*

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Church of the ancient Roman colony, Philippi, where Paul first steps on European ground, has benefited for a correspondence consists of several Pauline epistles, but the canon of the New Testament kept only one. Some people, theologians or not, looking the lost biblical texts, they have concluded that the canonical epistle known to us is actually a mix or a collage of letters, each one written at different times by same author, open up the possibility of challenging the authenticity of epistle. This appear as a human composition and intention the sacred author as undecipherable. But even if the Apostle Paul wrote several letters to the Philippians, we do not know all about this things, either because they were lost or, more likely, because the date of the epistle to the Philippians, Macedonia, in which Philippi was part , received two very precious letters: 1 and 2 Thessalonians.

**Keywords:** Philippians, Apostles, Epistles, Christianity of Europe, St.Paul.

# *Manifestations of anti-Americanism in the United Kingdom between 2001-2003*

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## **Abstract**

It is a fact that a certain rise of anti-American feelings has been registered after the events of 9/11 in the United Kingdom, the traditional partner of the United States within the international community. After the attacks of 9/11, such a feeling became an acute one on a global level, as a result of the pressures exercised by American nationalists and the military interventions exerted, under false pretense, in the territories of the Middle East.

The existence of an anti-American feeling within the United Kingdom has been recorded ever since the Cold War years, when it was influenced mainly by the political orientation of the party in power. However, this feeling influenced, in the long term, the strategic partnership between the two - the so-called "special relationship", and is due to the British national pride, the preeminence of intelligence services on an international level and the leadership position taken by American global capitalism. Additionally, this feeling originates in the strong attachment manifested by the British to their colonial empire, which used to be harshly criticized by American decision-makers in the 60s.

The aim of this article shall be two-folded. On the one hand, it will analyze the historical background which generated this anti-American feeling within the United Kingdom, while on the other, will it investigate the manner in which this anti-American feeling transformed itself in the aftermath of the terrorist attacks of 9/11.

**Keywords:** anti-americanism, hegemony, leadership, strategic partnership.

***Value orientations and expectations from the state among  
youth in Croatia:  
(post)materialistic perspective on state interventionism***

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This paper is based on Religion and Human Rights project and it is focused on value orientations of young people in socio-cultural context of Croatia. Using Schwartz's theory of universal value types, we analyze relationship of Croatian youth towards state interventionism in the economy, health care, social protection of elderly and unemployed citizens. Our findings are theoretically based on Inglehart's theory (2007) of intergenerational change of values and expansion of post-materialist values in the (post)industrial societies. Research results show significant percentage of expressive values such as self-actualization, creativity and autonomy among Croatian youth who, in the same time, support the state authority in matters of social policy. Findings are interpreted in the context of modernization and life conditions of youth in Croatia. Supporting the state interventionism as the non-liberal model of the state role can be linked to the cultural and political legacy of Croatian society such as transition from communism to democracy and from state to market based economy, but also to the current conditions of young people growing up in a society that is affected by the global recession. Inclination towards state interventionism is one of the possible youth strategies for living in a risk society, but their simultaneous openness to change and self-benefit is an indicator of

postmaterialism. Therefore, understanding youth value orientations indicates global but also nationally specific context.

**Keywords:** Values, Youth, Croatia, (post)materialism, state interventionism.

## *Reception of the Concept of "Uncreated Light" in Contemporary Orthodox Theology*

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In the contemporary context it is necessary to mention that the uncreated light of God is a concept enshrined in theological literature, especially in the era and with the work of St. Gregory Palama, but tends to become today the analytical framework and a concept metaphorical own language or suggestions. Uncreated Light is not just a symbol, but we could say, a concrete phenomenon, in the sense most propriu possible. Also, this article tries to show that this is not an allegory of knowledge, and not even knowing aim in itself but derived from direct and personal manifestation of God in man to perceive the extent possible. Uncreated light of knowledge is not an end, but a result of a direct, personal knowledge of God.

Contemporary theological confessions, both theological and especially the charismatic still happen, show the reality of personal communion of man with God, in contrast to a world that tends manifestly to desecration.

**Keywords:** Uncreated light, holy, Testimonies, Springs, Hagiorite, Teaching Theology, Patristic Theology Contemporary Secularism.

***"The Importance of Christian Education in the Development  
of the Youth Conscience and Moral Conduit"***

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The conclusion of the article is that young people facing an identity crisis and in search of a role model can form a harmonious personality with the aid of Christian education. Nowadays this type of education is indispensable in schools, helping to prevent the increasing dangers of youngsters spending most of their free time with prejudicial activities, by promoting openness to/from other educational factors (church, family, local community).

**Keywords:** Christian education, moral conscience, moral conduct, attitude, beliefs.

*Some methodological aspects about assessment  
in school for Religion*

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**Abstract**

Making the most of the life experience of each student is an imperative of the Romanian school that has the role of conductor of all educational activities in which it is involved. Religious education beyond general outcomes outlined and assumed is an occasion of self-knowledge, inner fortification of understanding and respect/acceptance towards those of other faiths, strengthening of some civic behaviours, moral-Christian. The divine image found in every human being is the virtues that he has acquired in his educational experiences. However, this aspect should be valued, appreciated and as such assessed.

**Keywords:** informal work , non-formal activities, skills assessment, evaluation methods.

*How different are the national models on the study of religion in Europe? The legal framework from a comparative perspective and the Jurisprudence of the Romanian Constitutional Court*

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The study of religion (SR) in public, private and confessional schools is not regulated in a uniform way all across EU Member States. There are different models that may be classified in six categories: confessional, mandatory study discipline; non-confessional, mandatory study discipline, confessional, optional study discipline; on-confessional, mandatory study discipline; either confessional or non-confessional, either optional or mandatory study discipline; non-confessional, as part of other study disciplines. This current situation illustrates the model of “natural convergence” or “original convergence”, as a result of belonging to different supra-national organizations, such as the European Union or the Council of Europe, but also the common features are due to historical circumstances closely connected with the development of State - Church models in Europe. The paper is analyzing the national regulations on SR, as well as the Council of Europe perspective - two Recommendations of the Committee of Ministers are discussed and also the relevant jurisprudence of the ECHR) and the EU perspective - the relevant provisions of the Treaty on the functioning of the EU are presented. Another aspect covered by this paper is the status of SR in Romania. The legal framework of SR from 1990 up to now it is presented and also the relevant jurisprudence of the Constitutional Court that discussed the issue of SR three times.

**Keywords:** Constitutional Court, convergence, Europe, State - Church models, religion, study discipline.

***Values of the Orthodoxy Transmitted by the Ecclesiastical  
Painting Case Study - "Assumption of the Virgin" Church of  
Vădeni***

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The religious sacred art cannot be understood without its theological support, even if the divine and the soul are incomprehensible realities. Saint Clement of Alexandria has become a defender of the Christian art claiming that: "the art serves to the education of those who cannot read". Pope Gregorius will share the same ideas. The Christian art purpose differs from the pagan art purpose, which is dedicated to the real life representation, in order to reproduce beauty, harmony and perfection, while the Byzantine artists yearn for spirituality and emotion. In this context we are able to make an inventory, which is far to be complete, of the Orthodox values that can be transmitted by the ecclesiastical painting. Then, the essence of the Orthodox values is reflected in a case study performed at the church dedicated to the "Assumption of the Virgin" of Vădeni, as it is stipulated in a 1902 document as the most ancient brick church of the Gorj county and it was included in the historical heritage. The history and the past of this edifice as well as the painting of its inner walls, the social context of its construction and the major part it played within the community back up Cesare Brandi's statements concerning the existence of the work of art; he asserts

that the work of art exists only when it is recognized as such in the human conscience and, if this recognition does not occur, the work of art can only potentially exist.

**Keywords:** Values, Orthodoxy, Ecclesiastic painting, Church of Vădeni.

*Some thoughts about the relationship between ecclesiology  
and church mission*

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Sometimes missiology is considered to be a separate subject of ecclesiological thinking, however, between the two there is a very strong internal connection and this link has its origin in the Holy Trinity. By its nature the Church is missionary, although not all of this further development correspond to the first mission intentions.

**Keywords:** Ecclesiology, Church Mission, Intention and Extension

## *The Importance of Religious Education in the Relationship Family – Church – School*

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In the last ear the religion like a discipline in scholar curriculum was submitted to a very hard process of abrogation from the secular world. In this way, the Association “Parents for Religion lesson”, founded in the defending of the Orthodox and religious creed wad a very important word to say. Its purpose was to reinforce the relationship between Family – Church – School. Therefore, in our study, we will try to describe the importance of this association in Oltenia and his missionary roll in the revival of Christian values for our children.

**Keywords:** Religious Education, Family, Church, School, the Association “Parents for Religion lesson”

# **Considerations over C. S. Nicolăescu Plopșor's preoccupations on addressing geography and ethnography**

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## **Abstract**

Among the influential personalities, directly involved in the cultural and scientific life, there can also be remarked C. S. Nicolăescu Plopșor. In his researching activity, he showed a great interest for the study of the Romanian people's spiritual values. Tireless gatherer of stories, folk songs, ballads, customs and legends from the Oltenian space, Plopșor published numerous studies and articles, folk texts and folk literature. Moreover, it has to be noticed the special attention given to the folklore of Romany people, publishing, in a bilingual edition, two volumes of gypsy songs and stories. C. S. Nicolăescu Plopșor had a special contribution in geography, where, although he had few published works, through their value, he contributed to the progress of the geographical researches.

**Keywords:** C. S. Nicolăescu Plopșor, Oltenia, scientific research, ethnography, geography, studies and articles.

## *The institution of godparenting in the traditional communities from Oltenia*

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In the spiritual life of the Romanian traditional village, "the godparenting" has represented a viable institution with well-defined important functions and reciprocal obligations. The role of the godparents is a complex one, implying precise duties to be performed in the significant moments from the life of the godchildren: birth, marriage, funeral. Entitled through the relations that are established between godparents and godchildren, once with the Christening, this kind of relationship has been considered as strong as that between the blood relatives. The godparenting relations are preserved along the entire life of the godchild, they are "inherited", seldom according to norms specific to the kinsmen.

**Keywords:** Oltenia, traditional communities, the institution of godparenting, the godparenting relations, beliefs, traditional customs.

## ***The Image of Craiova in Several Descriptions Made by Foreign Travellers until the End of the 17th Century***

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Craiova appeared for the first time in medieval documents at the end of the 15th century, in a document issued in June, 1st, 1475. More than one hundred years later, in 1583, Craiova was first mentioned as a town in Wallachian internal documents. The most recent historiographical opinion, formulated by Laurențiu Rădvan, made a connection between Craiova as a town and the reign of Mircea Ciobanul (Mircea the Shepherd). Franco Sivori, Giovanni de'Marini Poli, Petru Bogdan Bakšić or Paul de Alep are few of the foreign travellers' names that described Craiova in the 16th and 17th centuries. At the beginning of their accounts, the travellers do not make a special distinction between Craiova as a town and the historical province Oltenia, the last one being assimilated to the first one. Another important issue in their writings is the political dignity of the "ban of Craiova"; last but not least, an important fact is the description of the church Saint Demetrius. The foreign travellers complete the image of Craiova in the 16th and 17th centuries, their accounts adding new information to the internal sources.

**Keywords:** Craiova, image, Middle Ages, premodern period, foreign travelers.

## *Mission in the Old Testament*

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The paper approaches the distinctive nature of mission in the Old Testament, as responsibility of Israel in delivering a message of salvation to all the nations of the world. Particularly in the prophetic discourse, it becomes very clear that Israel is chosen to be the light of the nations and that all their deeds should determine kol basar, the entire humanity to return to the true God. In order to reach this spiritual and universal understanding, the Israelites must overcome their own prejudices regarding their election and their separation from the Gentiles. It is a mission to the whole world which encompasses the entire biblical text, from Genesis to Revelation. In order to understand this specificity of the Old Testament mission, the paper will approach exegetically some fragments from the prophetic books of the Old Testament.

**Keywords:** mission, prophets, election, responsibility, Israel.

## *The estates of the Jitianu Monastery*

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A monastery from the region of Oltenia, founded by the family Craiovesti, who embellished and endowed it with estates, the monastery of Jitianu, represents an important Romanian religious and cultural objective. Since its construction, it received numerous estates from its founders. To these donations, there were also added the buying of other estates, done by the Father Superiors of the monastery, along the time. In order to exploit the vast landed domain that the monastery owned, there were used the socmen, who were living on the estate.

**Keywords:** the Craiovești boyars, edificies religious, the old families, monastery Jitianu.

*Rights of the parties in the enforcement procedure in the  
light of the decisions of the European Court of Human  
Rights*

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Enforcement represents the last phase of Romanian civil trial and one of the fundamental institutions of civil procedure law. Enforcement procedure is governed by the principle of respecting the rights of the parties, of those of other participants to the procedure, including the rights of third parties. In the light of the internal procedure law, the enforcement procedure is carried out "with respect for the law, the rights of the parties and of other interested persons" (New Civil Procedure Code). However, the interpretation and application of the rules of civil procedure when you challenge the freedoms and rights of individuals must be consistent with the treaties to which Romania is a party, the European Convention on Human Rights having a particularly important role. The study aims at analyzing the rights of the parties, of third parties and of other participants in the enforcement, in the light of the European Court of Human Rights decisions handed down against Romania. In this respect, we refer to aspects of the entitlement to enforcement proceedings, fairness and reasonable duration of the enforcement procedure (art. 6 of the Convention), right to respect for property (art. 1 of Protocol 1 to the Convention), right to privacy and family life and freedom of expression (art. 8 and 10 of the Convention), freedom of movement (art. 2 of Protocol 4 to the Convention). The focus will be on solutions pronounced by the Court and the irregularities in the internal enforcement procedure.

**Keywords:** enforcement, ECHR, rights, freedom.

***Rear Admiral Horia Macellariu (1894-1989): a personality  
connected to Craiova***

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Rear Admiral Horia Macellariu was born on May 10, 1894 in Craiova. His exemplary military career, his role as commander in the Campaign in the Black Sea, especially in the Maritime Naval Force, his activity during the events in Constanta on 23 August 1944 and his links to the National Resistance Movement brought him difficult years of prison. He spent 16 years, 3 months and 11 days in prison of which 10 years in the severe unicellular system in Aiud and Ramnicu Sarat.

**Keywords:** Horia Macellariu, Craiova, National Resistance movement, prison.

## *Geopolitical aspects of Romania in the interwar period*

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Elements of geopolitical reference of Romania in the interwar period were given, on one hand, by diverse but unitary geographical structure of the territory (Carpathian Mountains, the Danube, Black Sea) and, secondly, by our position in South-eastern Europe (at political, economic and military interference of Europe, the Balkans, the Soviet Union and the Middle East). From the political point of view, Romania played an important role in the interwar period: some efforts were made (especially by Nicolae Titulescu) for making regional pacts or agreements (Little Entente, the Balkan Entente) etc., with order to respect peace treaties concluded in 1919-1920. However, Romania's military and economic potential was significant at the time: our country with 295 049 km<sup>2</sup> area and population of about 18 million people (according to 1930 statistics), being the tenth country in Europe; also, the Black Sea was an important element for the security of Eastern Europe (in this respect, Britain was interested in helping Romania to build a naval, commercial and military port at Taşaul near Constanta). Thus, the strategic role of the three reference points – geographic, economic, military – are found naturally in a unitary assembly of Romanian geopolitics.

**Keywords:** geopolitics, Romania, Carpathian Mountains, the Black Sea, the Danube.

## *Post-December Statute of the Romanian Historian*

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One of the most affected disciplines of researching and enhancing traditional heritage of the Romanians was history. From the beginning, immediately after the occupation of the country by the "liberator" Soviet army, the new apostles of Marxism-Leninism made known their presence. Handover of power to a government, on March 6, 1945, where the levers of state authority were occupied by representatives of the Communist Party, caused in a short time the socioeconomic and cultural fall of Romania. Chasing the monarchy and the elimination of traditional parties, which represented the last obstacle on the way of establishment of Bolshevik dictatorship, opened the doors to a true invasion of foreign elements not only of national interests, but also to the creation by alien borrowing of representatives who tried to modulate what it has more value for a nation, its history. This could not be done other way than by the emergence of a new type of scientist guided by other principles and goals. Our approach will deal with the contemporary legacy of this kind of historic researcher.

**Keywords:** historic researcher, state, history, Romania, nation.

## *The Kingship and the family: The origin of Radu Șerban*

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In the 17th century, several descendents of Craiovescu family aroused to the throne of Wallachia, among them, an important personality being Radu Șerban. The prince ascended the throne of Wallachia in the beginning of the century and reigned 8 years. He constructed his political legitimacy by presenting himself as Neagoe Basarab's heir, creating a new princely dynasty.

**Keywords:** Kingship, origin, Wallachia, dynasty, family.

***“Ho Theos Phôs Estin (1 John 1:5) or Light as a divine  
simbol within the Holy Scripture***

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In general, the symbol is defined as an object that represents, stands for or suggests an idea, a visual image, a belief, an action or a material entity. Symbols are quite common in the historical, poetic and prophetic writings of the Old Testament, but also within the books of the New Testament. One of the most recurrent metaphor in the Holy Scripture is light. The fact that “God is light” (1 John 1:5) sets up a natural contrast with darkness. If light is the image of righteousness and goodness, then darkness represents evil and sin. If we do not have access to light, we do not know God. Those who know God, who follow His path and believe in Him, are of the light and walk in the light. “God is light” and it is His plan and His light that believers bring forth, becoming more like Christ every day. Hence, Christians must confess any darkness within themselves – their sins and transgressions – and allow God to shine His light through them. Christians cannot witness and allow others continue in the darkness of sin, knowing that those in darkness are destined for eternal separation from God. Jesus, the sinless Son of God, is the “true light” (John 1:9). As adopted sons of God, we are to reflect His light into a world darkened by sin, to witness it and turn the unsaved from darkness to light. Therefore, throughout the Holy Scripture, Light represents the presence of God but also the path and guidance of God.

**Keywords:** biblical symbol, light, darkness, brightness, path, star.

*Constantin Brancoveanu in european policy context of his  
time*

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The martyrcal dimension of Voivode Constantin Brancoveanu death was underlined in european historiography by gestures and different attitudes, showing that throughout Christendom felt killing Brancoveanu and his sons as an act of unique sacrifice.

**Keywords:** european historiography, Constantin Brancoveanu death, unique sacrifice.

## *Construction of the social work system based on local resources*

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In this article we propose inventorying the existing resources in the community in order to capitalize them in the construction of the social work system. If the most part of intervention strategies in social work area start from analysis of the needs and of the causes of the socio-economic inequalities, this article brings to the attention of social actors the importance of using the resources that a community has at its disposal: the potential of every citizen, natural geographic resources, socio-economic and cultural resources etc. The objectives are: presenting ways to identify the local resources, highlighting perspectives to address these resources and providing a configuration model of the social work system focused on local resources.

**Keywords:** Local resources, social work sytem, configuration model.

## *Constantin Brancoveanu and David Corbea*

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Through the work that you spread it through appreciation enjoyed, not only in Vallachia, but also at the court of Tsar Peter the Great of Russia, David Corbea has earned an important place among diplomats chief of his time.

**Keywords:** Constantin Brancoveanu, David Corbea, diplomats chief.

## *Pilgrimage to the Holy Places at the time of Constantine Brancoveanu*

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The Pilgrimage to the Holy Places has always been one of the dimensions of the Christian life. Ever since the 4th century the Christians used to go to the Holy Land wishing to live the Bible realities which they knew only from the Holy Scripture. The Orthodox Christians of Wallachia appeared among the pilgrims to the Holy Places in the 17th century. During the reign of Constantine Brancoveanu the pilgrimage to Jerusalem or Mount Athos has become an ordinary spiritual devotion. Once back in the country, these pilgrims used to raise a church or monastery as thanksgiving for the success of their spiritual journey.

**Keywords:** pilgrimage, Holy Places, Jerusalem, Mount Sinai, Mount Athos.

*Lieutenant Erwin Rommel on the Mount Cosna  
(6th - 20th august 1917)*

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The 5th chapter of German General Fieldmarshall Erwin Rommel’s memoirs presenting his activity during World War I - “Infanterie greift an!”, Potsdam, 1941 is dedicated to the fierce combats of German Infantry against Romanian soldiers in the battle of Oituz and especially on the Mount Cosna. After describing the Romanian Army disaster in the autumn and winter of 1916 – in the former chapter – the combats in August 1917 described us an absolutely different Romanian Army, well trained by the French Officers, able to inflict severe casualties to the enemy. Finally almost the whole Württembergs Gebirgsbattalion where Rommel was company commander was out of fighting on the bloody coasts of Mount Cosna, proving to the whole world the bravery of the Romanian soldiers.

**Keywords:** infantry, mountain corps, battle, casualties, defeat.

## ***The problem of the succession to the Romanian Throne (1880-1889)***

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According to the Constitution of 1866, Romania's succession to the throne was provided on the direct male line of Prince Carol I of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, and collaterally, the right of inheritance being given to the older brother and his male descendants. The succession to the Romanian throne problem was raised starting with 1880, since the Romanian royal couple, Carol-Elisabeta, had no heir than a daughter, Maria, who died at the age of 4 years (1874). When later that year, with the approval of Prince Karl Anton, father of the Prince and the head of the House of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, Leopold, older brother of Carol I, announced that he renounced the throne, succession right was granted to one of his sons, without being nominated. In 1886 Carol I preferred Ferdinand, the second son of his brother, who would settle permanently in the country in 1889, becoming the Prince heir.

**Keywords:** Throne succession, Romania, Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen Family, Carol I, Heir Prince Ferdinand.

## ***Biblical toponyms in Orthodox worship***

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Balkans region by Orthodox tradition is closely connected with the described events in biblical texts that contain numerous references to the geographical background on the front Orient. Orthodox understanding of biblical sites finds expression in theology, liturgy, architecture, art, iconography, and hymnography pilgrimage descriptions. Not without reason Orthodox worship can be described as biblical. Its geographic locations of ancient Palestine became known by the biblical readings, homilies and biblical inspired prayers and hymns. By interpreting these areas last began to play the role of literary topos.

**Keywords:** Biblical sites, Orthodox worship, Topos.

## *The Enlightenment like a manner of understanding the "Light"*

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### **Abstract**

The Enlightenment was a very complex phenomenon. From the ancient times, man tried to discover the true from the way of his rationality. The major figures of the Enlightenment were, in France; the Baron de Montesquieu (1689-1755), Voltaire (1694-1778), Denis Diderot (1713-1784), Jean-Jacques Rousseau (1712-1778), Etienne Bonnot de Condillac (1714-1780), and the Marquis de Condorcet (1743-1794); in Great Britain, David Hume (1711-76) and Adam Smith (1723-1790); in Germany, Gotthold Ephraim Lessing (1729-1781) and Immanuel Kant (1724-1804); and in Italy, Giambattista Vico (1668-1744), Cesar Beccaria (1734-94) and Francesco Mario Pagano (1748-99). The Americans Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Jefferson came to Europe during the period and contributed actively to the scientific and political debate, and the ideals of the Enlightenment were incorporated into the United States Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States. In our study we will try to underline the a manner of understanding the "Light", from the perspective of the Enlightenment cultural phenomenon.

**Keywords:** Enlightenment, Light, cultural phenomenon, Immanuel Kant, Declaration of Independence.

## *An European dimension of the Economic Crisis*

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The paper aims to draw the bigger picture on how the economic crisis has affected the European Union. Mostly, the paper takes into account the political and economical effects emphasizing the constant breaching of several human rights. The most important points of the paper are represented by the catalogue of reactions of the European Union representatives and by the predictions on the future facing the crisis.

**Keywords:** economic crisis, European Union, human rights.

*The Bishop's seat of Oltenia: from Severin to Râmnic and, finally, at Craiova*

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**Abstract**

The first bishop's seat of Oltenia, region generically known under the name of Little Wallachia, was established in 1370 at Severin, city located in the south-western part of the region. The existence of this church institution was brief, marked by countless raids undertaken by Hungarian kings. The need to move the bishop's seat from Severin and religious reform resulted in the establishment of the Episcopal Church Râmnic – Nouă Severin in 1503. Until the 20<sup>th</sup> century, for more than four centuries, the bishop's seat of Râmnic exercised its authority over the entire region of Oltenia. The old Metropolitan of Severin is reestablished in 1939 under the name of Orthodox – Romanian Metropolitan of Oltenia, Râmnic and Severin, under a Royal Decree. Comprising both Oltenia counties, Valcea, Romanați, Dolj, Gorj and Mehedinți and Argeș Diocese, the Metropolitan established a new era in the history of the Church of Oltenia. The Metropolitan seat was established at Craiova and ever since, with small intermittences, remained stable until today.

**Keywords:** bishop, Oltenia, Ortodox, Oltenia, Metropolitan seat.

## *Health legislation in the Romanian Principalities from Organic Regulations until 1874*

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From the third decade of the nineteenth century, with the application of the Organic Regulation (1831-1832) in the two Romanian principalities began a process of medicalization of the population. This process was coordinated by the state. From the medical point of view there were many problems to solve. Three of them were, however, priority: the disappearance of major epidemics, lowering morbidity and prolong life expectancy. The achievements materialized in the creation of a medical nature administrative structures at both the county and the cities, including Craiova.

**Keywords:** Organic Regulation, Trusteeship of Civil hospitals, Committee of Health, Medical Commission, Superior Medical Council.

## *Light: a multilingual distributional analysis*

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In this paper, we propose a distributional analysis of the word 'light' in Romanian, English and French, based on a variety of corpuses. We investigate the contexts in which this word appears and we study the variety of synonyms of 'light'.

**Keywords:** distributional semantics, synonyms, corpora, light.

## ***The strong connection between the electoral system and the Romanian two-party system (1866-1914)***

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Rethinking the political regime and the Romanian society of the second half of nineteenth century and early twentieth century represents even today an important starting point in this research. For that reason, Romania during that period knew a liberal political regime, having as an important landmark the Constitution, adopted in 1866, followed by the electoral law. Our paper aims to analyze the connection concerning the electoral system and the Romanian two-party system, and its significance in the development of the political regime. Thus, this paper intends to outline the specific features of the Romanian political life relating to (1) the political campaign, (2) the relation of Carol I and the political actors over the years, (3) the change of government. Nevertheless, our goal is to point out the importance of the electoral system in the evolution of the Romanian two-party system, leading without doubt to the reinforcement of the constitutional monarchy and of the political regime at the same time.

**Keywords:** no more than 5-6 words: electoral campaign, political parties, Carol I, conservators, liberals.

## *Navigating in the data networks - a reality not only for library reader*

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We live in times where technology already affects how the library is changing its role, reinterpret it, namely, the library has not necessarily a physical space where users come to the library, but the library comes by users in the virtual space available to them information. Trying to meet new user requirements, the Alexandru and Aristia Aman County Library with partners in the Cross-border Centre for Information and Communications Dolj-Vratsa project, took the initiative to develop innovative technologies and management processes to the benefit of users by introducing modern digitization processes and institutions through a network interconnection information to the general public can access through a portal Information. The Cross-border Centre for Information and Communications Dolj-Vratsa involving cultural institutions in two European countries that have committed to develop such cultural cooperation between them. Together, we can promote national values, to exchange information and know-how in the description and preservation of cultural documents of information of local interest and history. The public interest in study, research and / or documentation, including young people and those with disabilities who can't move physically on the premises of libraries, museums and archives will be able to access web portal that will facilitate finding documents heritage of press articles, photographs, maps of all institutions participating in the project.

**Keywords:** library, users, cultural cooperation, virtual spaces, digitization.

## *The Transylvanian Issue in Swedish Views (Late 1944 and Early 1945)*

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The Armistice Agreement between Romania and the United Nations, signed on 12/13 September 1944, admitted that Transylvania or most of it to be assigned to Romania. Suddenly, the Transylvanian issue became one of the headlines in the world. The study refers to the approach of the Transylvanian views expressed by the Swedish Gustav Bolinder and Arvid Fredborg.

Gustav Bolinder, who traveled in Romania in 1943, supported the Romanian rights in a book and press articles, both in Swedish (the article referred to dates September 1944).

As the Armistice Agreement between Hungary and the United Nations, signed on 20 January 1945, forbade any Hungarian claims on Transylvania resulted in only two choices: an independent Transylvania, unrealizable project according to the United Nations but present in the International Media, or its reintegration into Romania.

At the request of the United States Legation at Stockholm, Arvid Fredborg wrote comments that mostly criticized Bolinder's approaches (in the beginning of 1945).

Bolinder's article and Fredborg's comments were dispatched by the USA Legation in Sweden to the State Department, in Washington DC, and studied by the author at the Central National Historical Archives of Romania, within the USA Microfilm Collection.

**Keywords:** Hungary, Bolinder, Fredborg, Romania, World War Two.

## ***Uncreated light theology reflected in the hymnography of the Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord***

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### **Abstract**

This study refers to the divine light which lit Christ's face in the moment of His Transfiguration, as it is reflected in the hymnography of the Feast. In the beginning I have referred to the nature of the Tabor Light, highlighting the fact that Christ the Savior is Himself Light of the Light of Holy Trinity. The second part of the study based on the hymnographic texts of the Feast and patristic interpretation presents the nature of the Tabor light, showing that it is the comprehensible manifestation of divine glory, being both distinct and inseparable from the being of God. In the last part of my study I refer to the deification of human nature as a purpose of the redemptive work of Jesus Christ and also to the inner dimension of our preparation for the worthiness of the light of Christ's glory, as these teachings are presented in the hymns of Feast and theology of the Church Fathers.

**Keywords:** Divine Light, hymnology, Transfiguration, Christ, Church Fathers.

***Christianity – Light and joy in a confused and grieved world. Official report of the latest general assembly of the world Council of Churches, Busan, 2013***

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**Abstract**

The 10th Assembly of the World Council of Churches (WCC) took place in Busan, Republic of Korea, during late October and early November 2013. More than 3.000 delegates from the member Churches examined the tasks facing the World Council of Churches, their relationships in the world, their potential and their dreams, and they came to speak more and more of the „pilgrimage of justice and peace” in describing this journey on which the God of life is leading the Christians. In the following study we try to capture how the theme Christianity – light and joy in a confused and grieved world is reflected in the official report, published by WCC Publications in 2014.

**Keywords:** Christianity, ecumenism, assembly, light, joy.

## *Methods of self-education and moral-religious formation of man*

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### **Abstract**

Each of factors of education - family, school, Church, mass-media, the close group, local community, the person himself - has a stronger or weaker influence depending on stage of life, but also on the social context in which lives a person, cumulating the effects of others factors that acted before. To overcome some of the difficulties of self-formation can be achieved and applied self-educative programs, well-constructed, which should consider the following components: the motivational one, purposes, contents, resources, strategies, methods, means and forms of organization, achivieng the self-evaluation.

**Keywords:** morality, religious education, values, self-education.

## ***Quality of life in Europe: Material living conditions and subjective well-being***

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### **Abstract**

In this article we will build a picture of the quality of life in Europe, directing the analysis toward two different components: material living conditions and subjective well-being. The paper will use statistical data provided by Eurostat, the statistical office of the European Union, and it will aim to identify the social changes of the investigated components and how they interact and participate in building a quality of life of people in Europe. The material living conditions indicator will focus on the financial situation (measured by material living standards related to income) and living conditions of European citizens (such as developments of housing conditions, subjective assessments and satisfaction with accommodation). On the other hand, the indicator of subjective well-being will follow three dimensions: satisfaction with life, meaning of life (a eudaimonic measure) and happiness (the emotional aspect of well-being), an intense spiritual contentment determined by satisfaction of aspirations.

**Keywords:** Quality of life; material living conditions; subjective well-being; life satisfaction; Europe.

## *The Evolution of Religious Education in the Schools of District Dolj*

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### **Abstract**

Our study tries to underline the legislative background at the discipline of Religion from 1990 until present. In this context we will analyze the status and the evolution of this discipline over the last 25th ears. Also, very important will be the results in the didactical background, at the professors of Religion and also at theirs students. Another idea will be the perspective of the religion teaching today in the university education.

**Keywords:** Religious Education, the schools, district Dolj, Romania, university education

## *The place and role of the Catholic Church in contemporary Europe*

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Europe goes through religious and social crisis. Some countries are experiencing an economic crisis over which failed to pass and the wave of refugees Islamists bring new problems and tasks. Our times are characterized by a concept showing ecclesiological living Church which transmits and bears witness to the novelty of life in Christ. This concept is communion. As it is lived, witnesses and reported that inter-human relations innovator who founded and illuminated by the Holy Trinity and love, show and embodies Trinitarian life in people's lives. The church has such task, to bring this love (agape) in the New Testament, which comes from Christ.

**Keywords:** communion, Christ, Church, Trinity.

## *Co-operative institutions in Vâlcea County 1940-1948*

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It is difficult to make appreciations regarding the number of the co-operative institutions from Vâlcea County, for the period 1940-1948, because their registration in the statistic data of that epoch was done inadequately. In Vâlcea County, during the period of time mentioned above, besides the forms of co-operative association conceived especially for credit operations, there were also organized co-operative institutions meant to stimulate the productive activities, those that were supposed to render valuable and to commercialize the agricultural resources. Nonetheless, through the collective farming, the state tried to solve the problems related to the qualitative and cheap merchandise supplying of the localities.

**Keywords:** Vâlcea County, 20th century, co-operative institutions, economy, banking system.

# ***The Royal Veto in Romania (1866-1938). Constitutional Provisions and Political Customs***

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Romanian historiography often mentions the right of absolute veto provided to the monarch by the Constitution of 1866 and maintained in 1923, but usually does not bring too much details. However, this constitutional provision was considered by some Western researchers as essential for the Central and Eastern Europe political regimes, grouping them in a so-called "Central European species of constitutional monarchy" (Karl Löwenstein). Romania is undoubtedly regarded as a part of it. In this text, we intend to analyze this issue, discussing the constitutional provision in relation with those in other states, with the Romanian and foreign legal doctrine, but also with the local political practice.

**Keywords:** Constitution, King, Veto, Constitutional Monarchy, Politics.

## ***Is the dignity of inmates respected in Romanian prison system? Analysis of empirical data***

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### **Abstract**

The term "dignity" is invoked by a variety of legal documents issued by international and national institutions. In the custodial system we find the obligation of totalitarian institutions to enforce the rules with respect for the dignity of detainees. Based on this analysis of social documents, the article aims to examine the term "dignity" from a plurality of doctrinal perspectives, and in the final part of our exposure, we will present the results of the field research conducted in the Maximum Security Penitentiary from Craiova, testing in this way the hypotheses sketched through the theoretical analysis.

**Keywords:** dignity, inmates, Romania, legislation, sociological research.

*The cultural convergence of the peoples when receiving the  
evangelic message through inculturation*

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**Abstract**

In the current theology, there is a special interest for an active mission on addressing the offering of the evangelic message, in order to revitalise and revive, from the spiritual point of view, the contemporary man. In contemporaneity, this preaching message travels across several philosophical concepts and older or newer perceptions, certain traditions or cultures, or interfere with ethnic and minority entities. This procedure of spreading the Gospel word is called inculturation.

Keywords: convergence, inculturation, mission, Gospel, contemporaneity.

# ***The Byzantine “Symphony” of State and Church and its Modern Developments in Southeastern Europe***

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## **Abstract**

The special relation between the Roman State and the Christian Church in Late Antiquity was characterized as “symphony”, i.e. agreement, understanding and collaboration, in a 9<sup>th</sup> century text, written by the patriarch Photius as an introduction (*Eisagoge*) to a new compendium of Roman Law, issued by the emperor Basil I. The concept grew throughout the centuries to a strong metaphor of a community of destiny and purpose between a spiritual teaching, that of Jesus of Nazareth, and a social body, the Roman State, and further any State which claimed a continuation of it. Nevertheless, as new nation-states were forming in Southeastern Europe, the model had to be adapted and sometimes twisted to fit reality. The talk will discuss the theoretical difficulties and the ideological and institutional solutions imposed by social and political change.

**Keywords:** Church and State, Byzantium, Southeastern Europe, Symphony theory.

# *The Relationship between the Church and Theology from the Missionary Perspective of Orthodoxy*

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## **Abstract**

The subject is meant to treat and explain two types of theological terms: the first, present in the title, is the Church. The second one is Theology. The treatise will develop around these two poles of the Christian life. The relationship between Theology and the Church is determined by the fact that the latter – the Church, expresses the life and the conscience of the former: Theology. Since the subject presents more aspects, the research should be narrowed down to only two of them; that is: the historical and eschatological aspects, more precisely to how the life and the conscience of the Church were expressed through Theology over the years and which the eschatological dimension of this expression is. This is the setting in which the debate over the subject should take place.

**Keywords:** mission, Church, testimony, martyrdom, sacrifice, society.

## *The Applied Religion and the Education*

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### **Abstract**

The religion has been an important and consistent principle in the human education. Moreover we can always say that it is the most adequate teacher in the process of development of our personality. In the course of human history, from Toth the Athalantus and Hermes Trimegistos, until now this process is a dynamic force of the society. Our research tries to demonstrate that religion in real a manner of life and education, a pedagogy and also a convenient background in the natural Law.

**Keywords:** Religion, Education, Law, pedagogy, human education.

## *The political impact that 1929 economic crisis had on the governing party of Romania*

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### **Abstract**

In 1929 the governing party of Romania was the National Peasants' Party. Established on 1926, it became the ruling party only two years later. Although the leaders – Iuliu Maniau and Ion Mihalache – were eager to implement their own political program, the 1929 economic crisis had a significant effect on the development of the open door policy. The representants of the National Peasants' Party believed that, in order to boost Romania's economy they had to attract foreign investments, but this policy only worked against its creators. As a result, the drastic measures taken by the government, in order to reduce the effects of the economic crisis, made both the political party and its leaders unpopular.

**Keywords:** economic crisis, governing party, National Peasants' Party.

## ***Religious education contribution to the spiritual development of the human being***

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### **Abstract**

Life is based on authentic religious values that are integrative and helps the man to build a spiritual universe. Not being separated from religion, spirituality refers to beliefs and practices that individuals or groups holding them regarding their relationship with the Divine. Orthodox Christian spirituality is not an end in itself but a journey along which we meet God. Spiritual development can not be achieved without spiritual support. In school, Orthodox Christian spirituality is the basis of education for the training and development of human personality and leads to spiritual unity.

Religious education requires a conscious external intervention in order to achieve a goal: fostering and developing religiosity in children and youth. By restoring the sacred you reactivate the moral function of religion which is necessary for rebuilding communities altered by destroying the initial harmony. Religious culture is part of the general culture that helps children and young people come to better understand ideas, symbols, beliefs and attitudes of religious, moral norms that religion propagate. Religious conduct that forms over time it is also important and it is related to religious consciousness.

Most of virtues are rooted in religious teachings. On the scale of spiritual life, virtues acquisition is an important step. Virtues are taught in the community (family, school, church) and religious education contributes to fostering a sense of the divine. Man must return to the true values and reintroduce them in their lives.

**Keywords:** Religious education, spirituality, value, virtue.

# *The Liberty of Religion in the Jurisprudence of European Court of Human Rights*

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## **Abstract**

Starting from the dispositions of 9th article from the European Convention of Human Rights, that assures the personal liberty of thinking and the religious conscience, the last one being also understood as the liberty of manifestation of religion or of the personal beliefs without barriers, the European Court of Human Rights had analyzed the violation in this problem. Therefore, our study analyzes this jurisprudence related to the religious manifestations, the formula, the religious oath, the cultic places, the churches and communities and also the intervention of the state as juridical institution in their activity.

**Keywords:** Religious liberty, cultic manifestation, European Court, Human Right, Jurisprudence.

## ***Word and Light. The catechetical role of the Logos***

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Lord Jesus Christ came into the world as Light, so that "whosoever believeth on Him should not abide in darkness" (John 12, 46). The children of Light receive His words as food and taste of the eternal life, as "man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God". (Matt. 4,4)

**Keywords:** Word, Light, catechetical, role, Logos.

*Prince Carol visit to Moldova reflected in the press of that time (1870)*

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The 1866-1871 period, was extremely turbulent and instable for the Romanian Society, and, inherently, for the reigning prince's situation. The intensely complicated external context, and the violent opposition of the radical liberals towards the policy and strategy of Prince Carol, brought him on the line. The same as the situation in 1866, when, shortly after the installation on the Romanian throne, Carol made a campaign on the other side of Milcov, in Moldavia, in 1870, as if he was wishing to strengthen his conviction towards to moldovan's loyalty and allegiance to the throne's institution and to his person. Therefore, Carol undertook an expedition through the most important cities and places in Moldavia. The expedition was an auspicious one, the press, especially that of conservative origins, treated the subject in detail in its pages. Extensive statements and interventions were also presented in the liberal "sheets". However, one thing is certain: the campaign to Moldova was a great opportunity for Prince Carol. Entrusted by the full support of the people of Moldavia, Carol continued his reign with the strong belief that he enjoyed the confidence of all Romanians.

**Keywords:** Carol, Moldavia, expedition, society.

# ***The Theological Significance of Light in the Context of Current Scientific Discoveries. An Apologetic Dogmatic Approach***

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## **Abstract**

This study highlights the theological significance and gnoseological and soteriological implications of light in the Christian Rising. Light theology deeply rooted in biblical and patristic theology is the space where science-theology dialogue can be put into practice. In this study, I have tried to present the latest findings of science on the meaning of light in the universe, as well as the dialogic position of Orthodox theology given this situation. Using as a theological method, the selection and critical assumption in the light of Revelation and Church's experience of various scientific positions, Orthodox theology manages to highlight the paradox of creation and its orientation towards the transfiguration into Christ, the incarnate Logos. Also, using the distinction between created and uncreated, Orthodox theology makes a difference between the lights of creation and uncreated creative light, identified by Eastern spirituality with the experience of the person of Jesus Christ. This paradox becomes also a constant in the way science acts but also in the way we understand the nature of light. Basically, what Eastern theology acknowledged centuries ago, begins to be, in many aspects, discovered by science. In Orthodox theology, the mystery of matter and body transfiguration in light based on the model of Christ body's transfiguration on Mount Tabor is constantly acknowledged.

**Keywords:** Theology, Light, Apologetics, Scientific Discoveries, Dogmatic Approach.

## *The Symbolism of Light at Saint John the Theologian*

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As at all the Saint Evangelists we meet at St. John the Theologian the truth that in the Person of Jesus, the eschatological expectations of Judaism and of the Old Testament find their fulfillment and their exceeding. So the eschatology announced by the prophets is based on the Person and work of Jesus, time of the „new wine of the messianic wedding”, which replaces purifying water of the Jews. In this context, Saint John the Theologian speaks about the symbolism of Light, that means the real and concrete presence of Logos in the life of humanity. Therefore, Jesus Christ is the Incarnated Logos and also the “Light of the world”.

**Keywords:** Saint John the Theologian, Incarnated Logos, Christ, Light of the world.

***Purging Conflicts in Universalism of Human Rights,  
Ridding Enforcement Impediments in International Human  
Rights Law: The ECHR as a Case Study***

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**Abstract**

The ECHR had shown a remarkable performance for a human rights treaty, in comparison with the other human rights treaties. This paper hypothesizes that the reason for such success is because the membership of ECHR comprises of states with similar background and culture. Although this may not be the only reason why ECHR is a success, however, it is one of the main contributory factors towards such accomplishment. With similar background and culture, universalism of human rights could be achieved since the room for diversity is small, and conflicts due to cultural differences are less likely to happen. In proving its hypothesis, this paper looked into 3 main aspects, i.e. firstly, the rate of signing and ratifying the European Convention on Human Rights. Secondly, the thesis also examined the pattern and type of reservations and/or declarations entered into by European states against ECHR. And lastly, the thesis looked into the compliance by European states with the judgment and award of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR). If there is a case of non-compliance, the reason would likely be because of technicality and other reasons, not because the states fundamentally oppose the provisions of the treaty due to incompatibility with either religion or culture or the society itself.

Keywords: ECHR, Universalism, Enforcement, Human Rights.

***“St. Trinity” Church of Craiova and its restoration by the  
Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen family***

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**Abstract**

“St. Trinity” Church of Craiova was founded by the Stirbey family, a family of wealthy boyars from Craiova, which in the 19th century succeeded to the throne of Wallachia by Gheorghe Bibescu and Barbu Știrbei. When, in the second half of the 19th century, Charles I of Hohenzollern decided that many royal churches in Wallachia and Moldavia should be restored, so that to settle down in the tradition of the Romanian lords, he chose to restore in Craiova, the “St. Dimitrie” Church – a royal church par excellence – and St. Trinity – the foundation of the Stirbey Family. Included in the general restoration plan of architect André Lecomte du Noüy, the church dedicated to St. Trinity had been thus certified as being part of the Romanian royal churches.

**Keywords:** 19th community life, church restoration, the Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen Family.

## *The Theological Sense of Parental Authority in the Christian Concept of Education*

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### **Abstract**

Education is a formative and continuous step in the paternal authority and also a decisive grade in the pedagogical responsibility. The theological point of view on this subject is related by the process of transmission the religious beliefs from parents to children. Therefore, the perfect model of parental authority is the icon of the love that came from our Father which is in heavens. This is a Christian kind of teaching and also a model of pedagogy that helps in the social development. Our study is the demonstration of this religious qualities and benefits.

**Keywords:** Education, parental authority, icon, parental relationships.

## *Prerogatives of Article 49 of the Constitution of Romania*

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According to Law no . 272/2004 , the child is a person below the age of 18 and has not acquired full legal capacity under the law. The definition is in accordance with art. 1 of the ONU Convention on the Rights of the Child. According to Romanian law, benefit from protection : children Romanian citizens in Romania.

**Keywords:** children, law, romanian, citizen.

## *The Challenge of Illiberal Democratic Regimes in Europe: Lessons from Latin America*

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### **Abstract**

The early twenty-first century has witnessed a growing number of “illiberal democratic regimes” – regimes that are neither fully democratic nor fully autocratic. Hybrid regimes use legal and illegal mechanisms to erode checks and balances on the executive branch, unabashedly rejecting the concept of “limited government.” In Europe, Hungary’s post-2010 governments of Prime Minister Orbán, which has reversed many of the gains of the 1989 revolution, is one of the most pronounced hybrid regimes to emerge in the region. With a mixture of new forms of authoritarianism, hybrid regimes represent a real threat facing European politics and integration, eroding legitimacy for political institutions and democratic processes. The paper will examine the rise of illiberal regimes and antidemocratic tendencies in Europe, and place these in a comparative perspective with similar developments in Latin America, where countries as varied as Bolivia, Mexico, and Venezuela have seen a similar mixture of democratization combined with new variations of authoritarian rule. One puzzle about hybrid regimes is how they manage to obtain electoral majorities despite an obvious display of nondemocratic practices. In some cases, preexisting institutional conditions, and not just presidential disposition, appears to favor the rise of these practices. The study has implications for the type of threat hybrid regimes pose for democratic development and regional integration. It can also help inform some of the challenges

presented by renewed national and ethnic conflagrations, from the crisis in Ukraine, to strong secessionist movements in Catalonia and Scotland, to growing anti-austerity sentiment in many fledgling and fragile democracies.

**Keywords:** Democracy, Democratization, Development, Post-Communist/Post-Communism, Political Economy.

*Towards the Light of Tabor: a comparative theological approach to the theme of 'light'*

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**Keywords:** light, sun, Christ, comparative theology.

## *The contribution of C. S. Nicolaescu Ploșor Oltenia prehistoric research*

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### **Abstract**

C. S. Nicolaescu-Ploșor (1900-1968) is the figure of a scholar with multiple concerns in scientific research, as an archaeologist, historian, anthropologist, folklorist and ethnographer, geographer. The concerns of literary art in which he proved a real talent are not neglected. He was among the first researchers who argued for multidisciplinary research approach in terms of archeology. There were large excavations on archaeological sites of the time, Rast, Verbicioara, Ohaba Ponor, Herculane, Nandru, Baia Mare, Peștera in Dobrogea, Bicăz Ceahlău Mitoc, Ripiceni in Moldova, Porțile de Fier etc. Research done in the Olt Valley, Argeș, Oltețului, Dârjovului bring new information on the early Paleolithic. He was interested in cave drawings and in the discovery of traces of prehistoric material from about 120 caves in northern Oltenia and southern Transylvania. For his merits was a member of the Romanian Academy and the International Institute of Anthropology. He died on May 30, 1968, leaving behind a remarkable scientific and institutional work.

**Keywords:** scientific research, early Paleolithic, cave drawings, archaeological sites.

## ***The Archimandrite Ioan from Hurezi Monastery (1692-1726) in the Light of Orthodox Spirituality***

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### **Abstract**

Romanian monasticism in XVII-XVIII centuries has ascended lights the kingdom of heaven and offered the Church many prayers and intercessors. Pious saints, confessors, hierarchs and the Romanian rulers, give value to churches and calendar nowadays, offering us models of virtuous life and invincible love. Cyclic commemoration of Saints Brâncoveanu martyrdom occasions moments of prayer, deepening their sacrificial life for Christ, Son of God and Church, and also focusing upon a spiritual and *Holy* Father, Blessed Ioan, the Archimandrite and Abbot of the Hurezi Monastery between 1692 -1726. He is the "spearhead" of the creation, restoration and painting of many churches and monasteries, being very competent in the activities he carried out, the support of the vaivode power (that of St. Constantin Brancoveanu) and not least the presence and the deluge of the gifts of the Holy Spirit in thinking, living and work. Archimandrite Ioan took care of all Brancoveanu's foundations and not only in Oltenia, he was the spiritual father of the royal family, he was one of the defenders of Orthodoxy together with the hierarchs, clergy, votaries and believers leaving an unquenchable light in the history of Church fathers.

**Keywords:** Ortodoxy, monasticism, Romanian Church, Archimandrite.

## *The concept of sustainable development in the context of the European Year for Development 2015*

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The term of sustainable development enjoys at global level of the support of international institutions, governments, businesses, and civil society. The nearly universal approval of sustainable development as a guiding principle is, in part, due to its importance. Sustainable development is also a prominent component of the MDGs, which have been widely endorsed by national governments and the world's foremost development organizations since they were adopted at the Millennium Summit in 2000. Recent, the United Nations adopted a new global development agenda as a follow-up to the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). The new 17 Sustainable Development Goals integrate the three dimensions of sustainable development, covering areas such as poverty, inequality, food security, health, sustainable consumption and production, growth, employment, infrastructure, sustainable management of natural resources, oceans, climate change, but also gender equality, peaceful and inclusive societies, access to justice and accountable institutions. These Goals describe a global agenda, including some global public goods that cannot be implemented by any country on its own. In 2015, the European Union has decided to focus on "Development". This is the first ever European Year to deal with the European Union's external action and Europe's role in the world. The purpose of the European Year of Development 2015 is to show the EU's commitment to eradicating poverty and of sustainable development in worldwide. Through this motto "Our world, our future, our dignity", the European Union aims at raising awareness among its citizens and stakeholders and fostering more involvement in development cooperation.

**Keywords:** assistance, cooperation, development, governance, solidarity.

## ***Recruiting political elites at the local level: patterns and examples in East-Central Europe***

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### **Abstract**

The present paper constitutes an attempt at critically and comparatively examining the patterns of recruitment operating at the local level in three countries of East-Central Europe, *i.e.* Romania, the Czech Republic, and Poland. Resulting in the production of different types of local elites, the means and modes of recruitment at the local level bear a quite engaging diversity, starting from the classical dichotomy between “intramural” *vs.* “extramural” selection, to the differentiation among the three layers of selection: self-selection, recruitment by party selectorates, and selection by the electorate (elections) (Norris). This study touches upon a series of aspects of the recruitment and selection processes, including: the formal and informal, general and specific *criteria* of eligibility of potential candidates; the impact of reelection and the effect of incumbency; the importance of “political proximity”, along with other types of proximities, etc. Finally, for assessing the significance of different recruitment procedures, a socio-demographical and quality-based profile is constructed on the bases of the empirical observations drawn from the administration of largely quantitative methods on three case-studies, *i.e.* the members of three Local/ Municipal Councils in three small-to-medium-sized towns (approximately 35,000 inhabitants), with similar developmental strategies (*i.e.* food industry, supplemented by commercial activities and contacts with the surrounding countryside).

**Keywords:** local leadership, political recruitment, intramural *v.* extramural procedures, three-leveled selection, East-Central Europe.

## ***Personal adornments made of hard animal materials from the necropolis of Cernica***

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The study of the personal adornments category proves to be vital for the understanding of individual and of the means of treating the body, at Prehistory level. The purpose of our analysis is to reevaluate adornments made of hard animal materials, present in the Neolithic necropolis of Cernica. This was researched along a period of 13 years (1961-1974), benefiting also of an exhaustive monograph, which offered a general picture regarding the disposal of the graves and of the funerary inventory from the necropolis, associated to each skeleton. In a first stage our study aimed to identify the raw materials from which were made the personal adornments. In a second stage, in the created groups, were established the typological categories. For each of these was followed the reconstruction of the operational scheme and afterwards the identification of the possible usage marks, by a macro and microscopic analysis, which would indicate the use of the artifacts previously to the depositing of the funeral inventory. The fact that most of the pieces from the Cernica necropolis present usage traces, may mean that they have been worn also during the life of the individuals and consequently they do not constitute a funerary fitting *stricto-senso*. Thus we may assume that they were not created exclusively to be deposited as funerary inventory. Moreover, the fact that they present different usage degrees, in the composite adornments, especially when imitations intervene, prove that the broken and irretrievable pieces have been replaced during the "life time" of the adornment.

**Keywords:** necropolis, personal adornments, technical transformation scheme, use wear, recycling, symbolism.

## *The visit of the Tsar Nicolae II at Constanța within the press of that period (June 1914)*

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If the visit in Constanta of Tsar Nicolae the Second was widely discussed and presented in the Romanian newspapers of the time, we can find out precious information from the reports of the Romanian attache in Serbia , Filality to the Ministry of Foreign Affaires, Emanuel Porumbaru regarding the visit of the Tsar of Russia presented in the Serbian press. The visit of the Tsar was one of good impact, based on the tendency of establishing close relationships between Russia and Romania, representing a testimony of the consolidation of the friendship relationships with the Tsarist Empire. Thus, the meeting in Constanta of the two monarchs in June 1914 gave them the possibility to analyse the events from from Balcani regarding the peace and stability in the area and these common points are to be continued by the rulers of the two Romanian and Russian governments to assert their own interests into the Black Sea area. In addition to this, as the Serbian newspaper The tribune wrote in the article Glory to the Tsar Nicolae the Second, the principle of the Balcans of the Balcans now acquires importance and, thus, the countries of the peninsula could be faithful into their future, not forgetting a single moment to prepare all that is necessary because only by being prepared and united they could be more efficient in supporting their stronger friends.

**Keywords:** Stanislav Poklewski Koziell, Constantin Diamandy, Serghei Sazonov, Constanța, Balkans.

## *The State of Unpreparedness*

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Events have often taken mankind by surprise through their force and their consequences. Starting with the ancient times, answers to major challenges and threats were sometimes, if not always, late, incomplete and biased. The current migration tide across the Mediterranean questioned Europe's ability to face an unprecedented process and proved its same unpreparedness in front of major events. Preceding similar situations like the “boat people” fleeing Vietnam three years after the fall of Saigon and the communist take over of the entire country, the drama in the two Spanish enclaves from North Africa and the first waves of refugees arriving on the shores of the Italian island of Lampedusa taught EU decision makers nothing, and they were caught empty-handed once more as illegal migrants reached the Greek Islands and the new EU member states, Romania included. Chances of getting over the current pattern are not completely wasted if the Europeans' common effort is focused on the origins of illegal migration, residing in the Middle East countries torn by civil wars and unrest and in African countries under brutal dictatorships.

**Keywords:** boat people, illegal migration, refugees, local conflicts, Spanish enclaves, Lampedusa Island

## ***Fundamental laws under the tutelage of the European Union***

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### **Abstract**

This article endeavours to briefly describe the enormous impact of the European Court of Justice (ECJ), which has managed to enhance the tutelage of the European Union over national legal orders. From the very beginning, the Treaties contained a mechanism for the interpretative assistance of our national courts: the preliminary ruling procedure. This proved to be the most important feature of the ECJ, a method by which it inserts itself into national debates and guarantees a degree of uniformity in the judicial application of the European law. This mandatory affinity between national constitutions and the European law has led us astray from the sacred character of a Fundamental Law. More and more perforated in order to integrate, can we still claim that we are in the presence of a Constitution? Furthermore, European and national laws are elements of this complex system, a structure with shared powers and responsibilities. A distinctive characteristic is given by the cooperation between authorities, both at European and national level, which also implies a transnational judicial dialogue, concept validated by the use of foreign judicial decisions as precedents.

**Keywords:** Constitution, horizontal cooperation, judicial dialogue, preliminary ruling procedure, sovereignty.

*Church, State and Social Normativity in Oltenia (1850-1870).  
How can the Romanian be a Good Christian and a Brave Citizen?*

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**Abstract**

The present text deals with social normativity in Oltenia during St. Calinic tenure as bishop of Ramnic (1850-1867). It's an exciting period when the modernization of Romanian society coincided with an interesting Orthodox recovery, little known process and still seen as an arrière-plan one. Both however are important to understand how the model of Romanian as a “good Christian” and a “brave citizen” was gradually built. Historically speaking, we dealt with a process that involved a “dressage culturel”, based on a powerful normative discourse, still not very known. What were its stakes, its themes, how was born and evolved, are questions that we try to answer.

**Keywords:** cultural history, religion, social normativity, 19th Century Oltenia, St. Calinic.

*The Light of the Gospel and the Inner Illumination of  
Understanding in the Patristic Reception  
of 2 Corinthians 4:3-6*

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Light and darkness are used in the Bible as metaphors for good and evil. In 2 Cor. 4:3-6 Saint Paul uses light as a metaphor for the "Good News of the glory of Christ" (4:4), as well as for the inner act of conversion (4:6). The origin for this could quite literally be in reference to his Damascus road encounter with Christ Himself within a bright light (Acts 9: 1-5; 26:16-18), an experience which he then generalizes by metaphor to Christian conversion in general, speaking of it as of an interior, spiritual illumination of Christ. Paul explains why some people cannot understand the gospel: Satan prevents people from seeing the light of Christ's glory, because Satan is the prince of darkness, „the god of this age” (4:4). But God can and will bring light into the minds of people. The same God who created light in the beginning has filled Paul's heart with “the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.” In other words, the same God who created the miracle of light also creates the miracle of faith. Before his conversion on the Damascus road, Paul himself had been blind to the Gospel. As one turns to the Lord, there is the inner illumination of understanding that foretastes the ultimate glory of God. In this paper we study the influence of this Pauline passage on the patristic interpretation of the light of the Gospel, on the one hand, and inner light as illumination through the work of the Holy Spirit, on the other.

**Keywords:** light of the Gospel, veil, illumination, light of the knowledge, Patristic interpretation.

## ***The Madona Dudu Church in the ceremonial role of the national holidays organized at Craiova***

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### **Abstract**

It is well known that the Romanian Orthodox Church has been always involved in the problems of the communities they serve. An important role belongs to the church ceremony celebrating national holidays and managed to bring together notables and citizens of the celebration of thanksgiving that was celebrated this occasion special. In this study I tried to offer a view of the idea of solemnity with which they were celebrated in Craiova the most important moments of the birth of the modern Romania such as: January 24, 1859 (Romanian Principalities Unification) and May 10, (Proclamation of Independence -1877, Proclamation of the Kingdom-1881).

**Keywords:** church, Madona Dudu, Craiova, national holidays, January 24th, May 10.

## ***Methodological aspects of conscience formation and religious behavior of pupils***

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By 'methodological aspects', above all we mean the methods and processes of religious education that can be used, without excluding , however, the means that can be used or the background, context in which can be achieved this dimension of education. We also insist on the necessity to transform the methods of religious education in methods of self-education, also presenting the psychological and pedagogical background of passing from hetero-education to self-education. Finally, we emphasize the school role in coordinating and harmonizing the other educational influences that originate from other educational backgrounds, whose action can sometimes be questioned regarding accuracy.

**Keywords:** religious education, religious conscience, religious conduct, methods of (self) religious education

## *Reconsidering the educational partnership with the purpose of promoting Christian religious values*

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This study tries to highlight the role that has the formation of educational partnerships between different institutions of the local community. We emphasize in this regard the importance of school, family and church (but not only) as initiator and promoting institution of such partnerships. In a partnership, there must activate at least two types of institutions, but it is not excluded the participation of more. We believe that reconsidering Christian religious values is an extremely useful step, especially in the context of the actual cultural mosaic, a valuable eclecticism, inclusive of religious nature, of frequent clashes between types of cultures and civilization and on the basis of intensive multiplying of microcultures and subcultures. On the other hand, assuming the millennial Christian traditions is, at the same time, a recognition of national identity in an international context, but also an opening to other religions that promote the same canonical principles or that do not alter, modify or contradict them.

**Keywords:** religious education, educational partnership, Christian religious values, church-family- school partnership.

*Constantin Brancoveanu  
Supporter of Greek Orthodoxy*

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**Abstract**

After the fall of Byzantium and Orthodox countries, Wallachia remains the only country whose autonomy, granted by Otoman Empire, allowed Greek, Bulgarian and Syrian refugees to move towards her, causing her to become the cultural center of the Orthodox world.

**Keywords:** Constantin Brancoveanu, the fall of Byzantium, supporter, Greek Orthodoxy.

## *Light and enlightenment, between Olympus and Tabor*

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Mindful of the aggressive reductionism of our reflexive modernity, manifested either by compressing the religious to the merger, either by leveling the corpus of religious ideas in a few referential cliches, our study entitled: *Light and enlightenment, between Olympus and Tabor* aims to highlight, beyond confusion, destitute aspects of the symbolism of the ancient Greek religion on the theme of light and enlightenment in contraposition with the revealed and elaborated representations of Christian faith teachings and, particularly, the Eastern Orthodox spirituality.

**Keywords:** light, enlightenment, ancient Greek, religion, Eastern Orthodox spirituality.

## *Traces of Constantin Brancoveanu in Transylvania*

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### **Abstract**

Constantin Brancoveanu's ties with Transylvania were particular politico-religious, economic, cultural and religious line (Orthodox). His achievements in the diplomatic, religious, cultural and national, but especially his life ended in martyrdom places him among the great religious figures and ancient saints of our Church.

**Keywords:** Constantin Brancoveanu's ties, Transylvania, achievements, great religious figures, saint, Church.

## *View divine light Fr. Sophrony Sakharov*

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Personality spiritual, charismatic and theological Father Sophrony Sakharov scoring horizon SPIRITUAL twentieth century, both in that it made known the message spiritual extraordinary significance of the Holy Siluan Athonit and through its rich experience and activity in the spiritual plane, theological and missionary. Thanks to some remarkable similarities between contemplative experience and that of St. Simeon the New Theologian and St. Gregory Palama was considered uncreated Light theologian for the twentieth century. Through her gifts, Pr. Sophrony experienced in the life several types of light: light artistic inspiration, philosophical contemplation light, the light of scientific knowledge to the bright apparitions of demons, but in a special way uncreated divine light. The present study aims to highlight specific experience Sophrony gracious Father Sakharov steps Light divine vision and timeliness of its theological and spiritual vision. Parent Sophrony own sins Divine Light is beginning vision and to see God every believer is called, a call that brings light into the darkness great hope of mankind which is sin.

**Keywords:** Sophrony Sakharov, Divine Light, St. Simeon the New Theologian, Holy Siluan Athonit

## ***Power and privileges in a globalized society. An analysis of Gerhard Lenski's Social Stratification Theory***

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### **Abstract**

In this article we will analyze if the two laws of income distribution, stated by the American sociologist, Gerhard Lenski, are still applicable : a) Economic goods and services are not distributed equally to all members of society –some always get more than others.; b) Goods and services within societies are distributed on the basis of need (subsistence goods) and power (surplus goods). Based on these two laws of distributive system, Lenski formulates two hypotheses of evolution. These two assumptions warn us that the "inequality is the product of technological development" because it enables the surplus and allows „the transition from a distribution on the basis to the distribution on the basis of power." Today, at the beginning of the XXIst century, inequalities between societies form all over the world have widened. Although some countries have managed to fructify globalization, their success being the best argument in support of the benefits that globalization can bring, however, other developing societies, or some of the poorest countries, are still dependent on various aids from world organizations (such as UN, IMF). Moreover, the criteria that they will have to match in order for receiving these aids can still prevent or even stop them from applying economic strategies that they would choose for themselves.

**Keywords:** Globalization; income distribution; power; privileges; evolution; technology of information.

## *The impact of the alternative spiritualities in the Romanian society*

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### **Abstract**

Upon the last census, the great majority of the Romanians declared themselves to be Orthodox Christians, quite surprisingly given that Romania was for a long time subject to forced secularization under the communist regime. However, sociological surveys reveal a discrepancy between this apparent commitment to Orthodoxy, on the one hand, and the beliefs and practices that ought to be entailed by it. Our presentation addresses some „spiritual alternatives”, which has been manifested in Romania over the last two decades attempting to present their spread throughout Romania as well as their manifestations, as described in their own books, brochures, publications or their official Romanian-language websites. The above-mentioned spiritual alternatives have gained significant momentum after the year 2000, and are currently in full swing, being promoted by books, brochures, publications, websites, daily newspapers, radio and TV programs. They can be divided into three categories: a) purely Occidental phenomena „imported” into Romania (scientology, certain New Age or neopagan movements), b) „autochthonous” phenomena (other New Age or neopagan movements), c) original movements, born through adjusting New Age tenets to the Romanian realities. In the latter case, the most telling example is reiki, quite widely practiced in Romania as a healing therapy and which has gained many adherents and followers as a form of spirituality.

**Keywords:** alternative spiritualities, new age, scientology, Neopaganism, reiki.

## ***The legal conflict of constitutional nature – A problem of constitutional loyalty?***

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This hypothesis easily outlines from the political and legal context in which Romania is part of and it is due to the evolutionary state of the constitutional democracy, mainly to the major changes generated by the revision of the Fundamental Law in 2003.

This moment brings novelty and it concedes the Constitutional Court of Romania a special and also strategic position in the institutional framework of the state – consisting in being the mediator of constitutional legal conflicts. Thus, it arises a new legal concept – that of *the legal conflict of constitutional nature* – but without being defined by the Constitution, in order to assure the transparency of the judicial meaning of the concept. In the event of a conflict, the Constitutional Court of Romania, which has been the guarantor of the constitution since 2003, must intervene in order to solve this kind of conflicts. While exercising its role, it advocates for creating and in the same time maintaining a constitutional framework based on loyalty and collaboration between public authorities (as the subjects of the constitutional legal conflicts) but also on the balance between the three powers – legislative, executive and judiciary. It can be easily noticed another new legal concept, which this time it is not mentioned in the Constitution but only in the jurisprudence of the Constitutional Court – that of *the constitutional loyalty*.

**Keywords:** constitutional legal conflict, loyalty, collaboration between powers.

## *The Motif of Light in the "Five Theological Speeches" of Gregory of Nazianzus*

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### **Abstract**

In this work of Gregory of Nazianzus, the motif of light is a constant presence, fulfilling different roles as the author intended it. First, it refers to natural light, that of the sun, moon and stars, which offers the terrestrial world the opportunity to shine and be seen. But beyond this, and superior to it, there is the intelligible, imagined light, having as a model that of the sun, the most powerful of the heavenly luminaries. It is a symbol of the privileged nature of God, that man, given its materiality, cannot know as such, but only reflected in various forms accessible to his intelligence. The fact that both the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit are all light is an argument that Gregory of Nazianzus uses in favor of substance identity of the three divine persons.

**Keywords:** St. Gregory of Nazianzus, theological sermons, motif of light.

## *Mateiu I. Caragiale, Author and Character*

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Few books have fascinated more in the Romanian culture than Mateiu I. Caragiale's *Craii de Curtea-Veche*, a novel that has ultimately transformed its author into a true mythical character of the first half of the 20th century. There is a genuine "profane, informal, limited by definition and therefore remarkable "'Mateian' cult, as Matei Călinescu remarks, a cult that has included Ion Barbu among its readers and has continued until today, Ion Iovan's – one of the true contemporary Mateians – MJC book, the vivid expression of fascination that we invoke and interrogate in the present essay.

**Keywords:** Mateiu I. Caragiale, interwar Bucharest, MJC, *belle époque*, Balkanism.

## *Victory of Light in the Hesychastic Controversy in the XIV Century*

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My study relates to the Hesychast controversy in the XIV century concerning the uncreated divine energies which flow from the Being of God, from a historical perspective. I have first started from the major contribution of St. Gregory Palama which he had to clarify this doctrine and assert it within the Eastern Christian theology and area. I have extensively presented the controversy between St. Gregory Palama and monk Varlaam and scholar Gregory Achindin, who, although they were Eastern, preached Western scholastic theses and teachings on divine light and energies, which they thought as being created. St. Gregory Palama's contribution was that he stated that the divine energies are uncreated being common to the three persons of the Trinity, making us become partakers of the divine Nature. I have paid special attention in my presentation to clarifying the Palamite controversy carried out by Priest Professor Dumitru Staniloae.

**Keywords:** The Hesychast Controversy, Saint Gregory Palamas, Fr. Dumitru Staniloae, Divine Light.

## *Romula – 50 years of systematic archaeological research*

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Romula was a Roman Colonia, the residence of governors of Roman province of Dacia Inferior (Malvensis), and most probably the largest archaeological site from Oltenia. The site was mentioned still by Dimitrie Cantemir, the Prince of Moldavia in his *Hronicul Vechimii Romano-Moldo-Vlahilor*. At the end of the 18th century the Roman remains were observed by the Fernando Marsigli, an officer of Austrian Army. The systematic archaeological excavations were done starting to 1965 under Professor Dumitru Tudor coordination. In the last half of century, there were carried out excavations in three main points of the Roman city: Central Fort, Northern Cemetery and Northern Pottery Quarter. In this article are presented the history of archaeological excavation in Romula across the last five decades and the most relevant discoveries in all sectors of the city. Also, there is a preview of the next development proposed for this exceptionally archaeological site, and the valorization of it in the 21st century context.

**Keywords:** Roman Period, Romula, archaeology, heritage.

## *The Nonlinear Evolution of Society*

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This current paper brings into the light the evolution of society through the lenses of two leading paradigms: firstly the linear paradigm of social evolution as presented through the works of Karl Marx, Adam Smith, or Walt W. Rostow, and secondly the nonlinear paradigm as defined by Thomas Kuhn and later followed by scholars such as David Byrne, Mitchell Waldrop, Niklas Luhmann or Adrian Little. If in the case of the first paradigm the evolution of society is seen from bottom-top, the second paradigm pinpoints the sensibility to initial conditions and its rather discontinuous and unpredictable evolution. Without drawing a general conclusion whether one of the two paradigms is the one to be followed when analyzing current and past historical events, this paper is rather focused on understanding the key elements of these two paradigms.

**Keywords:** Evolution, society, nonlinearity, paradigm, national security.

## ***Mechanism of applying European policies regarding workers and jobs management***

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The year 1990 brought Romania European freedom. Even if the risks for occupational migration were obvious financial (illegal labor, the absence of taxes and social protection in the EU, trafficking and exploitation of low-skilled labor, etc.), Romanians were temporarily relocated to higher earnings and professional satisfaction. The accession process of Romania to the European Union delayed with 14 years the connection to official trading of workers through the Public Employment Service. Established in 1993, EURES service offered and is still offering quick and secure solutions for workers and jobs by meeting supply and demand at European level. Only starting with 2007 Romania has aligned to the other member countries and to the status of certain rules on the movement of labor market in the Community by registering the intentions of potential migrants, preparing to adapt to the culture and language of the country for which Romanians have occupational interest, assisting electronic test and interviews, advising on the assumption of contractual commitments and monitoring activity onset. Yet the small number of people placed in question the effectiveness of EURES: only 100,000 people are interested in 1,500,000 jobs, the budget for this service increased by 18% in 2015, about 1,000 advisers are working exclusively within service. How can we determine its functionality? This is the question this article aims to answer.

**Keywords:** European social policies, labor market, Public Employment Service, EURES database.

*Some considerations about Romania during the period of the  
National-Legionary State (september 1940 – janaury 1941)*

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**Abstract**

The five-month period from September 1940 to January 1941- during which in Romania was proclaimed the National Legionary State - represents an extremely dense period of our history. Our intervention will be desirable to track key moments in the range based on the latest research and archival papers or memoirs. Thus, we will consider the manner in which King Charles II was forced to abdicate by General Ion Antonescu and which were the political forces that the new dictatorial regime was supported. The great change of the period was the rise of the legionaries into power, which remained however a dualistic one. We track the great change in Romania's foreign policy, leaving the traditional alliances and entry into the axis camp. Also, the anti-Semite policy of the legionaries is marked, because they have not hesitated to use the assassination as a political weapon.

**Keywords:** Totalitarianism, dictatura, legionnaire state, antisemitism.

## *The State's obligation to guarantee a person's right of free access to justice*

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### **Abstract**

All states are obliged to guarantee a set of indispensable rights to their citizens in order to safeguard a functional society. Therefore, the state must ensure that all its citizens can benefit from economic, social or personal rights and freedoms, all of which are protected on a higher level by a set of judicial rights. In this regard, free access to justice is a primordial concern for both the state and the citizens. This fundamental right, enclosed in the European Convention of Human Rights, ensures that a person may address the national courts with any claim that person considers suitable, if one or more of that person's rights have been prejudiced. As it must be both a constitutional principle and a fundamental right of the person, the obligation of ensuring free access to justice to citizens means that the state must set in place the legal framework, consisting of judicial and administrative norms that make bringing the claims to justice possible and accessible to all the persons. The state must abstain from issuing laws that impose burdensome obligation to a person seeking to protect its rights in front of the courts to such an extent that it could make that person's right to free access to justice illusory.

**Keywords:** no more than 5-6 words: State, courts, free access to justice.

## *Society/Tolerance in online Romania*

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### **Abstract**

This paper aims to analyze Romanian society today, more precisely what are the factors that influence its tolerance level and how can it be improved. The research of all these aspects has been made online, so it shows the tolerant aspect of the online society in Romania.

**Keywords:** tolerance, Romanian society, online society, people behaviour.

*The Principality of Pindos - An Unfulfilled Dream of the  
Vlachs  
(1941-1943)*

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**Abstract**

In this communication we try to set a new approach regarding the history of the Principality of Pindos, which generally is little known, using documents from Greece, Romania and Italy. The course of events took place in a particularly difficult time for Greece, which in 1941 was under triple occupation. In the Italian occupation zone, Aromanians (Vlachs) used to live for centuries, whereas the most Greeks knew nothing about their history and culture. Some Vlach leaders, including Alkiviadis Diamantis impressed by the victories obtained by the Axis powers in Europe, considered that at least Epirus would be annexed to Italy, so they openly came over to the Italians side, hoping to create an autonomous state under the protection of Italy. Based on the relationships they had with the Italians and on some complaints of Vlachs regarding the Greek administration, they managed in a short time, using all means (promises, food distribution, pressure and terror) to create the Roman Legions, which gradually began, without being officially recognized, to replace the Greek administration in areas where compact groups of Aromanians lived, thus creating problems to the Greek and the Italian authorities. Italy's surrender in September 1943 meant also the end of this Legion and therefore the end of this separationist attempt. The Legion members, who remained in Greece were sent on trials by Special Courts created in the period 1945-1948, with the accusation of being collaborators.

**Keywords:** Legiunea romana, Principatul Pindului, Alkiviadis Diamantis, Nicolas Mathusi, Metsovo.

## *The Significance of World and Religious Dialogue. An Orthodox Approach*

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### **Abstract**

This study examines the conception of the role and significance of light as it was conceived by one of the most important historians of religions of the twentieth century, Mircea Eliade. The paper presents Mircea Eliade's opinions about religious symbolism of light, closely related to other concepts Mircea Eliade developed: sacred – profane relation, hierophany, the significance of myth in nowadays world etc. The paper ends with the conclusions from the point of view of the Orthodox theology. Thus, the superiority of the personal Christian conception is emphasized over other religious conceptions: within Christian mysticism we deal with a personal meeting in the light between Jesus Christ, who is the mediator and the believer; there is neither a pantheistic dissolution in the deity nor a simple metaphor without any ontological content.

**Keywords:** light, symbol, human being – deity relation, person, divine energies, Gregorie Palama..

## *The values in action and satisfaction in life in the context of religious faith*

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Religion, religious faith and moral- religious education have always been a source of profound emotional experiences. The study of virtue involves a connection with psychology and more exactly with the psychology of religion, of personality, moral philosophy and psychology of emotions (Hill, 1999; Snyder and McCullough, 2000). Positive psychology (Seligman and Csikszentmihaly, 2000) tried to categorize human traits and virtues into a comprehensive taxonomy (Peterson and Seligman, 2002). Sandage and Hill (2001) talk about a construct of virtues based on the results of several studies from both moral philosophy as well as social sciences. The results that were obtained bring relevant information about the way in which the religious education, the faith in God and the cultural context contribute to the achievement of virtues through institutions, rituals, role models, motivational stories (Seligman, 2000) and influences personality by enabling values.

**Keywords:** values in actions, virtue, emotions, life satisfaction.

## *Red Army in Craiova 1944-1949 (I)*

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The study, based on published and unpublished documents, analyzes the dynamics and scale of the Soviet military occupation between 1944-1949 in the city of Craiova. The military occupation knew two periods: the first stage (September 1944-May 1945) when the occupation appears to have a provisional character, and the second stage (1945-1949) marked by a massive military presence. In 1949 the withdrawal of the Soviet troops put an end to a severe and oppressive occupation for residents of Craiova.

**Keywords:** no more than 5-6 words: red army, military occupation, Craiova, requisitions, world war II.

## *A Significant Document with Respect to the Situation of Romanian Agriculture in 1934*

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### **Abstract**

This paper presents the evolution of agriculture in the Mures County in the interwar, with examples for the 1934 year. The document is unique because it was discovered at the National Library, the Saint Georges special-funds collection, in the Archive of the National Liberal Party. It represents an appeal of the personalities of Mures County to the Romanian Government and Parliament to maintain the Chamber of Agriculture in the Mures County. Also this appeal is against the establishment of regional chambers of agriculture. The first part of the presentation is a brief history of Mures County, followed by the development of agriculture in the Romanian, Hungarian and Saxon families. The last section presents some aspects of the Chamber of Agriculture of the Mures County during the 1927-1933 period.

**Keywords:** agriculture, farmers, the agriculture situation, Mures county, personality.

## *MARINCUI - a family of philanthropists*

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Marinco Tenovici, a romanian from Novo Selo, settles in Poiana Mare at the beginning of the 19th century, due to his mother's insistence, as she was born there. Enterprising and hardworking, Marinco used to do trading and earned a fair fortune. Among his children stood out Ionita and Stancuna, they both decided to change their name from "Marinco" to "Marincu". Ionita was thrifty, wise and ambitious. He also started to do trading and he bought numerous lands surrounding Poiana Mare, real estate in Calafat and also built or rehabilitated churches. Stefan Marincu (1858-1914) was also one of his 6 sons and he was a good financier, managing to found The Bank of Calafat in 1901. Stefan was not only a member of The Chamber of Commerce of Craiova and the mayor of Calafat, but also a well-educated man who enjoyed traveling through Europe and a philanthropist. His philanthropic side is proven by the buildings that he left as an inheritance to his posterity, such as the Palace and the tomb of his family.

**Keywords:** philanthropist, palace, mayor, school, museum.

## *Religion as a trigger for disadvantaged peoples's resilience*

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This article refers to the so-called “disadvantaged” social categories in the Romanian society, namely people affected by poorness, illness, disability, abuse and other kinds of barriers which impair access to satisfying life conditions. We will analyse and compare several studies undergone by modern researchers around the globe and in different cultures, revealing that religion is an important resource for triggering these peoples’ resilience. We will then research if the same conclusion can also be made at the level of our community, by interviewing representatives of several orthodox churches in the city of Craiova and by asking them to indicate a number of 100 persons among the church community who are dealing with difficult life conditions. These persons will be asked to answer a questionnaire, the results of which will be analyzed and put together to draw a conclusion, namely to answer the focal question: does religion activate resilience for people forced to live in hard life conditions? Do religious education and religious belief help disadvantaged people overcome at least the moral burden they carry along?

**Keywords:** Religion, resilience, disadvantaged people, church.

## *Abortion – moral, ethical and canonical issues*

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### **Abstract**

We believe that it is the duty of present-day theology to tackle the problems of abortion in relation to the frameworks of reference provided by authorities outside the religious sphere, because such a Christian perspective can be known and taken into consideration with a view to defining an adequate ethics with regard to prenatal life. Based on its inherent dignity and value, human life, at whatever stage, must be protected from the moment of conception to that of natural death.

**Keywords:** theology, abortion, current legislation, Christian tradition, ethics

## ***Spheres and Lateralism: influence, interests, and norms in international relations***

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State and non-state actors' behaviours are mutually informed by a prevailing order (of power, authority-influence and meaning) and interact to either consolidate or change it, in a pluralistic environment of competing world views. International relations complexity is continuously built into an institutional pattern around foundations for justice, in an interplay of norms, interests and influence. Governance structures in the world reflect the dynamic between control - coordination (spheres) and cooperation - integration (lateralism). Structures and arrangements are central in terms of interests claim, aggregation and articulation, competitive and authoritative in precluding some and/or facilitating (an)other emergent order, drawing meaning and direction of transformation. The evolution of the international order generates global outcomes, trends to impact the potential of actorship regimes. Normativity in this respect marks transition from knowledge (understanding for evaluation) of current state of affairs to regulated future action (justification for transformation). Behaviours and actions, would-be manifestations of rules and values, rights and duties, are a development of state interests defining foreign policy actions according to own moral ends. The moral bases in foreign policy decisions should include capacity for mutual to universal benefit, frameworks for common values in scope and purpose to address conflict, and the prospects for the sustainability of peace. Actions are to be matter of shared moral significance, guided by responsibilities as legitimate bounds on international actors' drive to maximize self-interests.

**Keywords:** interest-emergent order, normative international relations.

## *The importance of social support in balancing professional and private roles*

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We intend to analyze in this paper how social support can facilitate the harmonization of work and family roles, because scientific concerns in the field show us that more and more young adults are experiencing work-family conflict. Furthermore, this conflict is a two-dimensional construct, since the two spheres influence each other, so it is necessary to call into question the social support from family, friends and superiors or colleagues (organizational support). Although researchers have provided several definitions of social support and there are many possible explanations about its sources, empirical studies have validated the existence of two types of social support with proven importance, at least in organizational context: the emotional support and the instrumental one. While the first is focused on empathic behavior and attention, the instrumental help defines those concrete actions of helping others to fulfill their daily tasks. These two axes are followed in this study, by reference to previous research aiming social support networks and balancing the work-family relationship. We will consider the possibility of decreasing the intensity of feeling work-family conflict when the individual perceives emotional and instrumental support from professional staff, family members or friends.

**Keywords:** Social support, work-family relationship, support networks, role conflict.

***Between National and Party Interests: The Romanian  
Communists at the Paris Peace Conference (1946)***

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The paper presents the perceptions of the communist members of the Romanian delegation to the Paris Peace Conference in 1946 vis-à-vis the political and territorial problems confronting Romania at that time, the activity performed by the Romanian governmental delegation and its communist members at the Peace Conference as well as the parallel activity of the Romanian exiles' group around the ex-minister of foreign affairs of Romania Grigore Gafencu. The paper argues that despite lacking the official status of the Romanian governmental delegation, in light of their positioning vis-à-vis key challenges confronting the Romanian state and society, the members of the so-called "Gafencu group", acting in tight connection with the leaders of the democratic opposition in Romania, were in fact the true representatives of the Romanian national interests at that time.

**Keywords:** Paris Peace Conference, Romanian Communist Party, Romanian exiles, perceptions.

## *The current status of religious education in the education system in Romania*

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Religious education tends to structure their own school paradigm, in Romanian school, Romanian contemporary religious education paradigm structured ,basis a form of subsidiarity between the Ministry of Education(or the State) and the Church(those Christian denominations). The educational offer in religious education is not unilaterally assumed by the Romanian state, but allows by agreement between the State (Ministry of Education ) and church curriculum content of the educational offer to come from the religious, but in a legal framework very well delimited. This well defined framework requires religious groups (I have in mind particularly Christian denominations) the need for some adjustments in the curriculum content, adjustments that have already begun to make their presence felt.

**Keywords:** Religious education , the status of religion, institutional dimension.

## *Craiova - book holder of Prince Grigore M. Sturdza*

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An Interesting figure of the 19th century is represented by the Prince Grigore Sturdza. Born in 1821, is the second son from the first marriage of Moldova's ruler, Mihail Sturdza with Elisabeta Rosetti. Known under the nickname of "beizadea calf" because he was getting daily exercise rising a calf on his shoulders, he showed interest in school, music and astronomy (studying in France and Germany), since youth. Prince Grigore Sturdza Moldova was the rival candidate of his father at Moldova's reign in 1858, after the participation in Crimean War as a Turkish general, under the name of Muklish Paşa in 1856, against the will of the ruler, receiving the same military rank within the Moldovan Army. Performed the duties of deputy and senator in the Romanian Parliament. He had a profound knowledge about everything that occurred in nature, philosophy and exact sciences. As an old man, he publishes the philosophical work "Les lois fondamentales de l'univers" (Paris, 1891). Behind him, there remained a resounding law case against Smaranda, the second wife of his father, his brother Dumitru, and his sister Maria, opened for the Prince Mihail Sturdza inheritance. Important works connected to this legal case, and the work "The last four chapters about the Fundamental Laws of the Universe" (Iaşi 1892), written in Romanian, are found within the collections of "Aman" Library of Craiova. An important number of law books (over 200), all written in French, were donated by the prince in 1898.

**Keywords:** prince, philosophy, universe, philanthropist, culture.

## *Christ, Hypostatic Light*

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The light of Christ does not come out of His risen humanity nor does it erupt out of it. The Light of Christ is not an attribute of his humanity nor one of its energies. Christ's humanity is pervaded and fulfilled by the light that is characteristic of His hypostatic or personal divinity. Jesus Christ's face or human appearance express, due to the hypostatic union, the immortal hypostatical image of God. In the funeral service St. John of Damascus prays that the souls of the righteous rest in the light of Christ's face, and not in the light as a distinct energy from Him.

**Keywords:** Hypostatic, the divine light, Christ the Light, God the Father, Holy Spirit.

*Theological Education in Craiova. Pages of the history of  
Theological Seminary in Craiova*

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**Abstract**

Since the mid-nineteenth century, more and more people of the Church, clergy and laity, have turned their attention to theological education, realizing that the Church needed well prepared, able servants, on one hand to meet the challenges of an increasingly secularized society, and on the other hand, to carry on the tradition, a tradition that reminded everyone that in the Romanian countries, the School as an institution appeared and developed in the porch of the Church.

**Keywords:** Theological education, Theological Seminary, tradition.

## ***Romania in the geopolitical and economical context of the Black Sea***

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The evolution of the international environment during the past decades determined a shift in the nature of the risks and threats to the European security, generating negative influences on the regional security, as well. The Black Sea area, space of interference between three geopolitical and geostrategic areas-Eastern Europe, Southern Europe and the Middle East, has turned after the 1990s into an area of instability, marked by the influence of the political, military and economical disputes among the states neighboring it, as well as the concern of other states in reconsidering their interests in this particular region. The Black Sea represents a geographical area where the interests of the major global actors meet. The fact that Romania is nowadays one of NATO's main bases in the Black Sea region proves the fact that our country has an important part in the ongoing struggle for increasing the influence in this area. Romania is currently seeking opportunities to cooperate with the states located in this region in order to expand common economical projects meant to ensure long term development.

**Keywords:** Black Sea, Romania, politics, geopolitics, influence, interests, region.

## *The Perception about God, from Childhood to the Adult Age*

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In the psychological area the identity is define like the sense of our personal existence and also like a usual identity. In this way, our question is: what is the origin of the idea of God in the deep of the human person? What is the roll of our parents in the transmission of faith? And also what is the mission of the Church in this entire existential problem?

**Keywords:** Psychological and Religious Identity, Theology, God.

## ***The Implication of European Union Rules on Employment Capacity of Romanian Citizens***

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Children, teenagers and young people can be at particular risk at their workplace because they lack experience, training and awareness. For fixing a minimum age for employment of children and to establish minimum requirements for the protection of their health, safety and physical and mental development, the EU has adopted Directive 94/33/EC on the protection of young people at work. In Romania, for under-18 year-olds, including those on vocational training and work experience placements and those doing casual work while still at school or college, more specific regulations apply covering restrictions regarding their exposure to hazards, working hours and employers' abuses. After analyzing the provisions of Directive no. 94/33/EC and those of our national legislation, the author concludes that, although largely complied with the provisions of this Directive, the Romanian Labor Code and related laws are more restrictive, preventing the undertaking of facile work or activities in the cultural, artistic, sports or advertising fields by minors aged between 13 and 15 years old.

**Keywords:** children, teenagers, young people, employment age, protection.

*Demographic sources concerning „Sf. Arhangheli” district  
(neighbourhood) of Craiova from the Organic Regulation to  
the reforms of Al. I. Cuza (1832-1865)*

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The author presents the civil records that contain identification data of infants and baptized, married and dead of the old neighborhood of Craiova - "Sfinții Arhangheli" where was also located the home of Grigore Lăceanu, the present Alexandru and Aristia Aman" County Library. These are very important sources for primary historical demography and in order to produce genealogies of those who lived here, many of them leading figures in all fields, some noticed nationally and internationally. These registers help us identify members of some important families of Craiova as: Vorvoreanu, Pessiakov, Mihail, Ghimpa, Branețu, Popescu, Dianu, Cernătescu, Nicolau, David, Iota, Vișoreanu, Stoenescu, Suhăreanu, Nicolau, Smadovicianu, Murgășanu and other important families. Naturally, we also meet specific names of Romanians south of the Danube such as: Coicea, Țenea, Țeca etc. The low level of development of Romanian cities around great reforms of the second half of the 19th century led to a faster integration within the democratic system of values of Western Europe is noticed in these demographic sources. We find the historic center of Craiova with people who have more agricultural concerns, if we consider the ploughman records, and trades had not even reached the manufacturing stage, corporations being somehow descended from the ancient guilds. Each corporation had the headquarters in one of city's churches, while church Sfinții Arhangheli was the headquarters of brandy producers, innkeepers and coffee merchants met at "Izvorul Tămăduirii" church, but living in different districts in Craiova.

**Keywords:** Craiova, demography, neighbourhood, „Sfinții Arhangheli”.

***Monetary discoveries in Oltenia from Brancoveni era and monetary species that circulated during this period***

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During the reign of voivode Constantin Brancoveanu in Oltenia circulated several monetary issues, as evidenced treasures found in various localities.

**Keywords:** no more than 5-6 words: reign, voivode Constantin Brancoveanu, Oltenia, monetary issues, treasures.

## ***The impact of the World War II concerning the Religious Association "Brethren Assemblies"***

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This year (2015) marks 70 years since the end of armed conflagration between the years 1939-1945, which through the history bore the name of the Second World War. Ending the war (May, the 9th in Europe and September, the 2nd in Asia) resulted in a rearrangement and redistribution of the world. Romania took part in this war in two stages, on the Eastern Front (1941-1944) and on the Western Front (1944-1945), knowing significant losses of lives and properties. The impact of the war on Romania has been known in the balance remained after the war, a grim and miserable balance. In this study, I intend to highlight one aspect of the overall impact on Romania, referring to the troubled religious associations and their status during this period. Being a way too broad topic, I limited myself to the association "Brethren Assemblies". The impact upon it was negative, but the positive end of the war brought the dawn for the religious communities of the association.

**Keywords:** war, assemblies, brethren, impact, study.

## ***English as a Global Language: Cultural and Social Challenges in a South-Eastern European Context***

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In this paper, we discuss about the social, cultural, educational and attitudinal realities of the presence of English in our country and in the South-Eastern European context. More specifically, about how our cultural and social life is affected by the fact that English has become the new 'lingua franca' or common language in the European Union. This happened as a result of complex economic, cultural, and technological forces, such as the growth of international trade and the Internet. Now, the English language is used worldwide, with a geographic spread unique among all world languages and this has affected both our ways of teaching and learning English, as well as our communicative competence.

**Keywords:** global English, culture, society, South-Eastern European context.

## *The Character and Attributes of the Good Shepherd in the Old Testament*

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### **Abstract**

The theme of the “good shepherd” may be approached from multiple perspectives and can also be invoked as a reflection from the Christological, ecclesiological or pastoral background. Unfortunately, in our theology, there is a limited interest in the theme of the good shepherd, as opposed to the western theology, especially to the Roman-Catholic which succeeds in maintaining a permanent preoccupation for this very current theme in the context of the secular world today. In this paper, we aim at approaching the topic more synthetically from a historical-biblical perspective. It is meant only as a foundation for the subsequent, more consistent biblical studies. It deals with the features and characteristics that define the image of the good shepherd in the Old Testament in order to highlight the nuances, the qualities which naturally characterize an instructor in the field of religious education.

**Keywords:** theology, Old Testament, good shepherd.

## *What's In A Name?*

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In order to individualize the personality of an individual in relation to another individual, the name of the physical person (surname and forename) must be used. The name is attributed to the individual at the same time with his registration in the birth certificate so that the act of civil status is the title that will justify wearing a name and it will also prove it. The name becomes a legal concept, its structure and rules of assigning are the subject of the regulations, and not the name itself. A person's name concerns his family and private life, constituting a way of personal identification and a family relationship. The function of a name as a means to individualize a person has resulted in that private law and public law aspects are inter-twined.

**Keywords:** right to a name, identification attribute, person, unique system name, patronymic name.

## ***Maria Dolen: the bell of the fallen for peace***

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At the end of the First World War, Fr Antonio Rossaro had the brilliant intuition of convincing the governments of the various previously hostile European States to destroy the lethal weapons in their possession that had sown mourning and death throughout the continent of Europe. Fr Rossaro set about transforming those instruments of death into a universal symbol of peace, melting down war weapons to cast a large bell that would toll a hundred times in the evening to commemorate the fallen of all the states that had previously been hostile to each other, over and above any national division. At the same time, the sound of this Bell was to alert peoples to build a peaceful society, to work to achieve a positive peace founded on surmounting every national or ideological and religious barrier and on respect for human rights. The idea of the Bell was conceived in the historical and personal context of its ingenious inventor. To build peace it was necessary to destroy the weapons of war. They must be turned into a fruitful and vivid symbol of peace, not only to commemorate the innocent victims of all wars but also, and especially, to appeal to the consciences of the living; a symbol to which all peoples might look, even those who had previously confronted each other in a horrendous conflict. In the bronze of the Bell, cast from the metal of the canons of nations at war, all peoples were to find peace and unity, after the reconciliation and the realization that war must no longer be the means of resolving feuds in the world.

**Keywords:** Bell , Peace, War, Reconciliation, Human Rights.

## *Ileana Paulina Geller – recovery of memory and history of a deported woman*

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At the venerable age of 91 years, Ileana Paulina Geller, of German origin, who currently lives in the town of Călan, Hunedora County, is one of thousands who had to face the deportations of Donbass mines. It is the tragic fate of a young woman only 20 years old, was forced to leave the family, along with Margaret, her younger sister, but also symbolizes the memory of the young, not significant people, to be recovered and respected. Therefore, in this study we aimed to reconstruct the oral history interviews, the personal diary and other sources regarding the way Ileana Paulina Geller faced the vicissitudes of the “great history” in the distant mines of Ukraine. Hence, it is a historical and moral duty to make known some events that although are related to simple people, they can be meaningful both in the veracity of testimony and their pedagogical and punishing nature.

**Keywords:** Ileana Paulina Geller, memory and history, deportations, Donbas, the veracity of testimony.

## *Forgiveness as a mediator between intimacy and commitment*

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Why do couples remain together in spite of difficulties? This is one of the questions that have been a point of interest for many studies in many fields, including the field of psychology, with a vast array of results and explanations for their commitment. Recent studies, with a background in family therapy, have brought to attention two concepts that might be key parts of commitment-forgiveness and intimacy- both of them being an expression of the quality of the dyadic relationship. There have been mixed results reported by researchers in what concerns the existing link between commitment and intimacy, commitment and forgiveness and intimacy and forgiveness, but the current status of research supports the perspective of forgiveness as a mediator in the relation between intimacy and commitment. The present study aims at being a theoretical investigation of past research, examining the theoretical background, the existing articles and results with reference to the current status of dyadic relationship at a European level.

**Keywords:** intimacy, commitment, forgiveness, emotions, couples.

***Communication, Emotion and Persuasion in the Religious Education. The Triad School – Family – Church***

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In the last ear the religion like a discipline in scholar curriculum was submitted to a very hard process of abrogation from the secular world. In this way, the Association “Parents for Religion lesson”, founded in the defending of the Orthodox and religious creed wad a very important word to say. Its purpose was to reinforce the relationship between Family – Church – School. Therefore, in our study, we will try to describe the importance of this association in Oltenia and his missionary roll in the revival of Christian values for our children.

**Keywords:** Religious Education, Family, Church, School, the Association “Parents for Religion lesson”.

## *A survey over lecture in the 18<sup>th</sup> Romanian century*

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Printed books, book consumption and book production in the century that marks the transition from a civilization profoundly dominated by oral tradition to modern reason, which cannot be separated from confidence in the eternity of writing. What is the place lecture occupies in the Romanian eighteenth century? Was it a concern and spending time manner frequently used by the elites? What was the spread of reading in the social body? What happens with the large number? What were the attitudes, beliefs and reading habits of the 92% representing rural population, in a time when reading is sometimes inaccessible even to privileged elite, an occupation that should be postponed for gentler times.

**Keywords:** lecture, books, reading habits, book production.

*The emerging of the “human dignity” concept: origin,  
evolution, meanings*

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This article analyses the path taken by the of the concept “human dignity”, from antiquity to contemporaneity, along with the different meanings that this notion embraces in different fields: ethics, philosophy, law. Although the concept of “dignity” originates in Antiquity, the merit belonging, mainly, to the Roman philosophers and the Christian doctrine, the actual signification of the “human dignity” term comes from Kant, and the taking over and the affirmation of this concept in law, especially in the international declarations and the documents on human rights, managed to impose itself only in the second half of the 20th century.

**Keywords:** moral value, virtue, philosophy, law, ethics.

## *Spain and Transylvania during the Thirty Years' War: a general outlook*

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This article focuses on the general background of both Spain and Transylvania during the Thirty Years' War (1618-1648), in an attempt to give the reader the possibility to understand better the tense relations between the two spaces, each of them belonging to a different religious alliance. The article makes use of all kinds of sources: archive documents, historical literature, dramatic literature in order to depict the scenery of not so much exploited historiographical events.

**Keywords:** Transylvania, Spain, Thirty Years War, relations.

*Juridical Archaisms not included in the Dictionary of the  
Romanian Language. Letters A-F*

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The article presents 77 out-of-use words that have not been included in the Dictionary of the Romanian Language, and have been identified in a corpus consisting of 14 legal doctrine works, 12 legislation collections and four jurisprudence collections and legal acts. The first part of the article analyses the words from the point of view of their first mention and of the origin of the loanword. In the second part, the words are structured into 14 sections, in the following order: the title word, the pronunciation of the title word, the writing variants, the morphological indications, the etymology, the number of senses, the explicative parenthesis, the phraseological units, the definition, the synonymy and one or more quotes from the sources where we have identified the title word.

**Keywords:** Legal Linguistics, Legal Romanian terminology, Dictionary of the Romanian Language, French etymology, Greek etymology.

# *The justification of the war in the conditions of the pacification of international relations after the First World War*

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## **Abstract**

The signing of peace treaties after the First World War was held under the slogan "The War to end all wars". The Treaty of Versailles and the peace agreements with Germany's allies, creation of the League of Nations were to assist in the process of elimination of war as a means of solving international problems. These steps, as well as subsequent agreements have established a legislative framework for a new global policy. However, the end of World War contributed to the enhancement of two new trends – 1) the intensification of national liberation/anti-colonial movements and 2) the active involvement of the public in international policy. Therefore, in the activity of leading Nations was an urgent need to redefine its policy towards other States and territories. Its essence consisted in maneuvering between the traditional violent methods of foreign policy activities (as more usual, giving a quick result), the proclaimed principles of the new international order and challenges to the reality. The task of creating in post-war European society a benevolent attitude to aggression is becoming a major activity in States. To achieve this goal are determined by the new target audience (e.g., women), new symbols (for example, "the unknown soldier"), and new psychological and personal arguments. The result is a transformation of the concepts of "right" and "justice" of war, again making it a valid element of human history.

**Keywords:** war, peace, justice, foreign policy.

## *The effects of globalization on social work development*

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### **Abstract**

The social work is a modern profession and has an international dimension. This article analyzes the effects of the globalization on the social work development by international level. It emphasises the multiplication of the social problems as effects of globalization, and on the other side the internalization of the profession and the uniformization of the social work values and principles, such as respecting human rights and the principle of the social justice. The social work proves itself a progress factor, but we ask our self if social work actually forces the developing societies to accept a set of values for which they are not prepared, which they didn't achieved in a normal way and by whom they resist.

**Keywords:** Social work, globalization, cultural values.

## ***Missionarism and proselytism in contemporary Romanian society***

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This article approaches a problem with which the present Romanian society confronts itself: proselytism initiated by religious movements, in comparison with the mission of the majoritary Orthodox Church. After defining the terms and listing the impact of the proselytist phenomenon from before and after December, we will underline in an actual context the methods of prozelitist ways of converting people and the typology of manipulation and the manipulated. We want to show the dangers of disintegration of the religious unity of the present Romanian society on short and long term and factors which determine the success of the proselytist phenomenon and the failure of traditional Christian mission in some categories of religious people. The conclusion of our study will show that maintaining the unity of the present Romanian society is a necessity and a warranty of keeping our national identity in the context of European integration and social globalisation.

**Keywords:** Missionarism, proselytism, religious movements.

## *The Man's Communion of with the Divine Light through the Holly Sacraments*

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### **Abstract**

The Liturgies for Special Occasions are the means by which man meets and unites with Christ the Savior personally. Through these sacred works, Christ the Savior descends into the human being and makes him / her worthy divine glory and light. Every sacrament of the Church brings light on man and gives him light, meaning that it shines on the one who receives them in the divine light. In this sense, the present study aims to analyze, from a biblical, dogmatic, liturgical and spiritual perspective the role that the Holy Sacraments have in achieving divine light.

**Keywords:** The Divine Light, Man's Communion, Holly Sacraments.

***Philanthropic work of St. Basil the Great, model for the  
social work activities in Romanian Orthodox Church***

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**Abstract**

Vasiliada, the great philanthropic project of St. Basil the Great, is today a source of inspiration in the response which the Church offers to the world, to the social needs that it faces. Concerning for people in need, is today and will remain a permanent preoccupation of the Romanian Orthodox Church. Throughout history, Romanian society was ridden by countless crises - moral, spiritual and socio-economic, in front of which the Church had always answer it jointly with the needs and expectations of people. Looking at the philanthropic work of St. Basil the Great and to how the Romanian Orthodox Church develop his charitable activities, we can observe how yesterday's answers are light for the restlessness and questions today.

**Keywords:** Vasiliada, St. Basil the Great, Romanian Orthodox Church, social activities, model.

*Light as hope and redemption in F. Scott Fitzgerald's The Great Gatsby. God and religious elements in this cultural history piece of the great American novel*

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Light has different and various meanings according to the field we analyze it; starting with the religious ones, literary and linguistic ones. But what does it stand for in the novel of the American writer? Is it the embodiment of positive features or is it only a deceiving element that lures the main character and "feeds" him with poisoned illusions? But what is God's role in the novel? Is there any trace of His presence in the way the characters act and the evolution of their lives? And if the answer is positive, what kind of God is He? Does He provide happiness for the ones searching and waiting for it? Does He punish the ones who break His rules and act against His commands? The paper aims at offering comprehensive and extensive answers to these and many other questions that have risen over the years on one of the most famous novels not only of America but also of the world literature.

**Keywords:** Travel light, Live light, Spread the light, Be light, Yogi Bhajan.

## *The Old Testament as a Scripture of the Church*

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In the first years of its existence and spreading "to the end of the earth" the Church did not live with the New Testament, which has not yet been written, but with the books of the Old Testament. And they were, respectively, recognized as sacred and divinely inspired Scripture. Our Lord Jesus Christ has repeatedly interpreted this Scripture and brought it in fulfillment ("not to abolish but to fulfill"), especially within his life, death and resurrection. St. Luke, describing the first sermon of the Savior on Saturday in Nazareth synagogue (L 4:16-28), drew attention to several features. The Savior "as his custom was" entered into the synagogue, and He was asked to read from the book of Isaiah. He unrolled the book (the book, of course, had the form of a scroll) and read a messianic passage: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor" (Is 61:1ff.). And to the surprise of all present he added: "Today this scripture has been fulfilled" (L 4:21). From that moment on the Savior began openly "with authority" (L 4:32) to interpret the Old Testament, explaining it from Christological and Christocentric point of view. This interpretation, which was first put on the flesh and blood with the birth of the Divine Child in Bethlehem of Judea - because it is Christmas that brings in fulfillment the corresponding Old Testament prophecy - will become the dominant way of interpretation in the Church.

**Keywords:** Church, New Testament, Old Testament, Scripture, Revelation, Interpretation.

## *National community and global society*

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Starting from the community meaning as cohabitation in a given historical and cultural context, in the context of globalization (according to a hermenutical approach) the state can be understood as a national community. Globalization has been defined in general terms as the growing interconnection and interrelation of all aspects of society, and individual thinkers such as Anthony Giddens have understood the globalization as a generalized process linked to modernity which can be identified in almost every dimension of contemporary life. The liberalism and the pacifism of the global society represents a fruitful research assumption concerning the relationship between communities and the global society. Global society is one liberal, amongst other things, because in all liberal writings can be found a more optimistic outlook on the possibilities of maintaining peaceful relations between people. This communication aims to examine the declarative liberal-pacifist dimension of the global society.

**Keywords:** community, society, state, globalization, liberalism, pacifism.

## *The religious dimension of education – From theory to experience*

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The religion teacher has to build arguments, to demonstrate facts, to arouse skills, feelings. His word must touch the soul, but also to strengthen the mind to report with responsibility to the informations contained in cyberspace. In this study, we were also interested in identifying the students' perception on skills and features that a religion teacher has to prove effective. The target group consisted of university students, from various universities, enrolled at DPPD- University from Craiova.

**Keywords:** Christian values, faith, religious consciousness, teaching skills.

*Answers to Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (Case: Georgia  
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Sylvia Plath once wrote: I am a victim of introspection. Given paper tries to examine the condition of war victims. They became the target for military and social aggression. In August 2008 war between two countries resulted immense loss for Georgian side: the loss of people (those victims who died in battle) and the loss of territory. The first type of loss has been widely considered in its commemoration by different kinds of material culture: including narratives and monuments. But the second type of loss, loss of territory, is very specific to the displaced people. In such case there is a population which is damaged by the war itself as well as the permanent loss of their homes and land. Refugees are closely linked to trauma. These are the people who became the commemorated visible victims of collective trauma and who needed recovery the most. Coping with trauma for refugees is especially hard because they experience fear, a lack of security, changes in values and changes in day-to-day life due to the impossibility of 'going home'. All of this change and loss happened to these refugees in one single week. As a result, the government decided that the refugees were to be settled in a single village which was specifically created for them.

**Keywords:** War, Trauma, Victim, Therapy, Disorder.

## *Translating Worlds of Law: The Case of Romania*

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A follow-up of the paper presented at the Second International Conference 'Politics. Diplomacy. Culture', the present work focuses on Romanian legal language intricacies in multilingual translation. The prime scope thus intended is to delineate the key features that mould present-day Romanian legal language and, consequently, to extract those semantic elements that make it uniquely difficult for a translator to transpose it into another linguistic framework. Nonetheless, this is not meant to be a purely text-on, semantic analysis of what constitutes the linguistic corpus of the Romanian legal system. Such a theoretical analysis would be neither plausible, nor desirable in this case. Instead, the study will involve bottom-up methodology, i.e. personalized interviews with Romanian lawyer-linguists whose vast, hands-on experience with the translation of law from one language into several others is essential for the direct, empirical observation of this phenomenon. It is less customary for data to be collected as such in the legal field and subsequently transformed into patterns of analysis, but all the more important to adopt new techniques of investigation in the presto-set rhythm of the words and worlds of law world-widely.

**Keywords:** Romanian legal language, translation, lawyer-linguist.

## *Religion and Culture, Estate and Church in the Europe of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century*

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### **Abstract**

In the European space the recognition of the spiritual values and of the religious inheritance demonstrate that the European Union, beyond the economically and monetary policy, beyond the creation of a free space, security and justice, beyond the political role on the world scene, means firstly the value and commune identity assumed with full responsibility and discernment. The culture, education and spirituality homogenize the community and create some important form of solidarity between people. Therefore, the cultural and social heritage has a very important component in the religious education.

**Keywords:** Religious education, European Union, cultural values, cultural and social heritage.

## *Gnosis and Illumination in the Work of Ioan Petru Culianu*

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In its first part, this study summarizes the scientific conception of gnosis in the work of John Peter Culianu. It looks guidelines and that there is a trend in forming this view, marked by the itinerary of life and environment research of Culianu: Romanian period, Italian and American. However, it remains a constant importance the Romanian scientist gave a gnosis in religious and cultural history of humanity. Part two of the study analyzes illustrate the considerations about Gnosis in several literary works of the author, emphasizing the continuity between the two segments of his work: on the one hand, the scientific-academic, and on the other hand, the literary.

**Keywords:** gnosis, lighting, magic, history of religions, mind games, myth Sofia Ioan Petru Culianu.

## *Light and Natural Language*

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The paper discusses the concept of light in orthodoxy in connection to human communication, collaboration and communion using natural language. A starting point in the investigation are the writings of Fr. Dumitru Staniloae and the ideas of St. Gregory Palamas. The inter-animation and inter-illumination concepts of Mikhail Bakhtin's dialogism are also considered, with a link to the corporeal word perspective of Alexandar Mihailovic, and the polyphonic model of collaboration using natural language (Trausan-Matu). The implications to common natural language, computational linguistics, and social web are discussed.

**Keywords:** Light, Logos, natural language, dialogism, polyphony, inter-animation.

## *The Christian Parish: from the Eucharistic Synaxis to the Parochial Society*

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### **Abstract**

Every time we talk about the church, we have to bring in front the parish, as its basic form of establishment. Mostly of the pastoral activity of the church accomplishes thru the parish, uniting the hierarchy and the lay believers and also binding all its members as one. The parochial concept has changed from the first Christian century until present time. From the community curdled only by the Eucharistic event, we can talk now about the parish distinguishing its juridical and administrative principle, its theological meaning and its sociological apprehension. The Christian doesn't feel like a resident, living *παρα* (near) *οικος* (the house), and the parish has become a house for him, were he can develop in community with others. Present work presents the history of Christian parish, highlighting the relations between clerical and lay members.

**Keywords:** parish, parochial community, Christian community.

## *The Ortodox Church in Balkans, today*

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The first part will stress the importance of the presence of Orthodoxy in the Balkans. The second part will focus on the problems that Orthodoxy faces in the Balkans: Roman Catholic propaganda, Islamic expansion, nationalisms, etc.

The third part will present short historical overviews of the Orthodox Churches of the Balkans (Greek, Rumanian, Albanian, Serbian, Bulgarian, Skopje). The fourth part will stress the need for unity of the Balkan peoples and Churches in order to cope with modern challenges.

**Keywords:** Ortodox, Balkans, Church, islamic expansion.

***In the line of fire! Flyers, Canzonets and protests songs  
during the World War I***

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This paper is aimed at restructuring the songs that were circulating among the Italian soldiers during the World War I. A rich and complex inventory existed, within which the propagandistic words crossed and mixed in the more traditional, yet very popular, songs. The standard language was mixed with the low language and, as a result, the canzonets of the story singers and of those around the place constituted a song set as the background of the feelings of rebellion and protest. The World War 1 has represented more than before songs and singers. By analysing the data of the flyers with the songs of the trenches soldiers and of the oral tradition, they have managed to collect, starting with the '60, many songs that helped us reconstruct the contradictions and drama of a war which was fought not only on the battlefield.

**Keywords:** World War 1, songs, protest songs, motivational music.

## *The island of Ada Kaleh/traditions and customs*

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Turkish-Muslim community remained and grew and in 1921 after the cession of the island by Turkey. ADA Kalehul constitutes an active factor of cultural interference with the many Christian communities in its area of irradiation. This long convetuire with the islanders from Ada Kaleh has created a real aura of sympathy and concern to the realities in this corner of East located on the Danube at Portile de Fier. Curiosity, respect or for other reasons have made Ada Kaleh Island to be visited along the time of tens of thousands of Romans and other Europeans interested in scenic and specifics of the island and its community. That tradition of interethnic relations and good will should be expressed better, contemporaries and the european spirit of the people of this area will strengthen and deepen with valente and arguments. Currently, all that remained of the island Ada-Kaleh, are objects that once belonged to the collectivity Turkish Lira spread through Museum collections in the country and remains on the island of Simianului. Original atmosphere and picturesque remained only a memory in the hearts of those who had the unique chance to visit this oasis in the middle of the Muslim romansti waters.

**Keywords:** no more than 5-6 words: Island, community, culture, Turkish.

***The Light of Rationality and His Limits: Theological  
Revelation of Jean-Luc Marion's Criticize at the Address of  
the Concept of Conceptual God***

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The mystical theology of the Orthodox Church learn that the light of philosophical rationality is insufficiency to understand God. Under the influence of the Western Christianity, especially influenced by St. Dionysius the Areopagit and St. Gregory of Nyssa, Jean-Luc Marion criticizes the metaphysical concept concerning God. In his thinking they are idols. Our study presents this critic at the address of the concepts of *causa sui* and essence, showing that the attempt of Marion to overcome the onto-theology through the divine Revelation is truly relevant in the theology of God experience.

**Keywords:** Jean-Luc Marion, idol, onto-theology, *causa sui*, essence, Revelation

## ***Plural identity and social integration - the effects of the colonization process in Dobrogea***

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Dobruja area was extended to the South after the Balkan war of 1912-1913 through the territory ruled by Romania through the Treaty of Bucharest in august 1913. The new territory, which will be called southern Dobruja had a population composed of Bulgarians and consistent of the Muslims but there were also people in the town of Silistra and the area nearby. After entering in the Romanian component south of Dobruja, main concern of the Romanian state was to balance the demographic report of this space. Newly acquired territory had a population weakened by the muslim population. After 1913 South Dobruja was doubly important for the Romanian state: first this space is the new country for the Aromanians in the Balkans were settled in Southern Dobruja following configuration change borders after the Balkan wars. Secondly this area have a strategic role of colonization and appropriation of Romanians in densely populated areas of the united. The present research studies the phenomenon of colonization and migration of populations that occurred in Dobrogea and the political and economic motivations that led to these processes. Term colonization not only send various forms of expansion of imperial powers outside its scope, but also how to install settlers generally less populated regions, but with good agricultural potential (as is the case Dobrogea) or raw materials and untapped resources;

**Keywords:** Colonized, populations, territory, political project, migrations.

*Negotiational process between the Soviet Union and  
Romania on the topic of transfer of D. Cantemir's*

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**Abstract**

In the present report, the issue of diplomatic negotiations and correspondence between the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Royal Romania and the office of foreign policy of the Soviet Union on the matter of transfer of the Moldovan Ruler, Dimitrie Cantemir's remains, is being examined for the first time. The highlights of progress and details of negotiations, as well as the terms of the remain's transfer is based on the previously unpublished archival documents.

**Keywords:** Dimitrie Cantemir, diplomatic negotiations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

## *Interculturality as a Narrative*

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### **Abstract**

A narrative is a model of intelligibility of high generality that human reason imposes to the real in order to give it form and meaning. Otherwise, in our minds would be just a chaos of existential observations that can neither increase the knowledge, nor guide the action. Like any other "derivation" (ideology, theory, justifying discourse etc.), in order to survive, a narrative will have to pass the test of social utility. In other words it has to cope with a pragmatic criterion. This article will sociologically examine the vision of the intercultural dialogue as a mean to bring peace and harmony. Is this a scientific or an ideological vision? Is it rather an ideal, an ethical position? What brings it new and "better" in terms of social utility?

**Keywords:** Interculturality, narrative, ideology, social utility.

## *The rainbow – from myth to mathematical physics*

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Man's story of the rainbow has no inescapable origin and no discernable end. There is no record, oral or written, of the precise date at which a rainbow was first noticed. On the other hand, now, at the beginning of the third millenium, it is not possible to boast that the formation of the bow is understood in all details. In the Old Testament, the rainbow is associated with divinity, with the agreement between God and Noah, at the ending of the biblical flood. Because I am a physics teacher, in my communication I present the gradual development of the scientific theory of the rainbow, from a physical point of view, at first with the aid of the laws of geometrical optics, then – on the basis of electromagnetic and photonic optics. At the end of my presentation I will explain why the light of the rainbow is so polarized.

**Keywords:** Bible, Old Testament, rainbow, rain droplets, solar rays, colours, dispersion.

## *Ex Oriente Lux. The Light of Christ lightening everyman*

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The light always played a special role in the Eastern theology. The light have been assimilated to the divine presence of Christ ("sunrise from above"), was assimilated to the divine wisdom ("The Light of Christ lightening everyman"), it was equated to the spiritual purity ("Grant me the garment of light, O thou who clothest Theyselves with the light as with a garment.") ... so, in the Byzantine liturgy everything is imbued by light. For these reasons, this study identifies the place and importance of light in the liturgy of the Eastern Church, while seeking sources of influence, but also the mystagogical meanings of the light.

**Keywords:** light, byzantine liturgy, Eastern Church, Christ.

## *Theological backgrounds of light (φῶς) in the johannine prologue*

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### **Abstract**

My exegetical research deals within the theological backgrounds of johannine prologue, underline all suggestions of "light" (φῶς) motif. The core motif of light it's the fact that God's revelation and redemption plan, through Jesus are shown to form the culmination of the history of salvation, which previously included God's giving of the law through Moses and the sending of the forerunner, John the Baptist. Jesus being the true light, brings to this dark world, true knowledge, moral purity and the light that shows the very presence of God. Receiving his light, implies not merely intellectual agreement with some facts about Jesus, but also welcoming and submitting to Him in a personal relationship. Saint John now introduces mankind as receiver of the divine light, by participating in the life of the Son, believers themselves become children of the light. Christ offers light to every person, but the world and even many of His own refuse to receive Him, thus, they can neither know nor recognize Him. Those who accept Christ have His light. In a hymn sung at the end of Liturgy, after hearing the Gospel and receiving communion, we sing: „We have seen the true light (τὸ φῶς τὸ ἀληθινόν), we have received the heavenly Spirit”.

**Keywords:** true light; redemption; refusal; witness; discipleship paradigm.

## *The question of changing the concept, role and functions of state*

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This paper on the question of the concept, role and functions of State, attempts to critically analyze recent developments and transformations. It is assumed that all existing State models to date are in ideological crisis that challenges the concept of State. The problem is that the empirical evidence of the role and functions of the State or the State system are different from a standpoint of a range of spheres of government, which generate the multiple requirements of the regulatory activity of the State. In the discussion some questions are identified and proposals that may be useful for analyzing the transformation of the State are formulated.

**Keywords:** Concept of State, State functions, role of government.

## *Origene's philosophy and Christian theology*

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### **Abstract**

Origen was born in the year 185 in a christian family, which manifests in his thinking a strong influence within Christian philosophy, he was student of master Ammonius Saccas, there is even suspicion that he had the same master as Plotinus, many researchers believe that this would explain such philosophical similarities between both. Origen theology is based on the first neoplatonism, medioplatonism and he refused the idea of a god incarnate, derived from too literary interpretation of certain anthropomorphisms of Scripture. Called the *Father of the universe*, God is the creator of the entire universe, but he did not become to be Father in a specific time, as people become parents at a time by doing a certain fact. The book *Commentary on Genesis*, Origen brought criticism of the Gnostics example through God for the creation of the universe would need like any craftsman pure material, it could not have created everything from nothing; but the philosopher responds that God does not need to be there previous materials to create the universe unlike a carpenter who willingness, is not sufficient to put foundation by His "unspeakable power and wisdom, they do not exist before, so His will is sufficient to be through the same Logos, and substance as much as need."

**Keywords:** Origen, God, Holy Trinity, Christian theology, Philosophy.

## *The Severin Fortress and the Orthodox churches inside its fortifications*

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The Severin fortress, lying on the Danube river embankment, very close to the former Roman castrum and Apolodor of Damascus's bridge, was built by the Romanian voivods. It was meant to control the Danube ford through the Balkan Peninsula, to put an end to the Hungarian monarchy attempts to infiltrate into Oltenia region, and to stem the catholic missionary groups which tried to spread their confession into the Lower Danube region. Inside the small fortress of Severin were built two Orthodox churches. I state they were Orthodox because of their inner division into three ritual rooms – altar, nave, and narthex – imposed by the eastern faith. The churches within the stronghold clearly shows that the fortress have belonged to the Orthodox Romanians according to the precept „Eius regio, cuius religio”. The citadel served as a station exclusively for the Romanian *bans* of Severin. Charles Robert of Anjou, the Hungary king, conquered the little fortress in september 1330. If it were Hungarian, he would not have had to conquer it. The king Charles Robert, defeated by the Romanian prince Basarab I the Founder in the 9-12 november 1330 battle, lost very soon the Severin Fortress. It came back into the Romanian princes possessions. This situation were acknowledged by the Hungary king Sigismund of Luxemburg in 1349. It was only in 1419, after the death of Mircea the Great (19<sup>th</sup> of January, 1418), that Sigismund of Luxemburg took the Severin Fortress. From then on it started to decay.

**Keywords:** Severin, Ban, fortress, Orthodox church, altar, nave.

## *The contribution of Romania to the Southeast European security*

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The article also deals with the problem of South-Eastern security and Romania's joining peace maintaining forces, stability and safety of common borders in the EU and NATO zones. The instability in the South-Eastern area clearly reflects that the problem of defense takes on new meanings after a period of steep decline of people's interest, politically speaking, regarding the above - mentioned aspects. Taking into account the new political context, that is the Ukrainian crisis, the concept of security in Europe changes, especially within Eastern borders of NATO and the EU. Romania is called on, not only to enlarge the defense budget, but also to act more effectively and pragmatically in the new European security system; thus, helping the development of regional cooperation in the field of defense policy, expanding the democratic zone of prosperity and predictability. The main political objective in the South-Eastern part of Europe is to assure a stable and peaceful environment. Romania has become a catalyst for regional cooperation policies. It is remarkable that its role grew as far as politics, economic system and armed forces are concerned, after NATO's and EU's joining.

**Keywords:** security issue, Southeast European Security, the regional cooperation, Romania's contribution, the national security.

*Considerations on a batch of 100 fake coins 1859 - 20 lire  
Vittorio Emanuele II*

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The present article refers to a case of fraud to the detriment of the collectors, discovered by the specialised officers of the Dolj District Police Inspectorate, within the activities carried out to prevent and fight crimes against the national cultural heritage. The study focuses on 100 Vittorio Emanuele II fake coins of 20 lire each, with the same characteristics, issued in 1859.

**Keywords:** coins, fake, Vittorio Emanuele II, numismatic fraud.

## ***Public administration in the early years of the reign of Carol up to 1918***

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### **Abstract**

The role of Alexandru Ioan Cuza in reforming and modernizing state institutions, in administrative relocation by setting up new structures, remains of particular significance. The internal policy of the Romanian United Principalities faces major unrest in the winter of 1866, which determines the forced abdication of Alexandru Ioan Cuza and installment of a foreign prince - Carol I of Hohenzollern - Sigmaringen. Bringing a foreign prince to the throne of the Romanian principalities represented an important organizational renewal, during the long reign of Carol I a significant number of institutions witnessing important transformation processes.

**Keywords:** reforms, Alexandru Ioan Cuza, Carol I, reign, administration.

## *The Basis of interreligious dialogue*

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The existence of such a dialogue at the same time show that we are already at in what is called the post-modern era of technological and scientific revolution. In the religious sphere the concept of revolution is not accepted because it requires a new model of religious pluralism that can reach syncretism type New-Age. Then assumed isolationism or know that Christianity and Orthodoxy – in special leave – the idea of the Trinitarian communion and communion between stops people and between them and God. And, not least in the religious revolution search always expansionist model type that is specific to Islam. "If the Church does not is apostolic testimony is oriented, it ceases to be the Church. Apostolicity include apostolate as a necessary feature as a fundamental trait Church. The world is where the Church is called to live together and shine. This is the goal of holiness, unity of the Church. This is the meaning the prayer of Christ before his passion (Jn. 17, 21, 11, 52) "

**Keywords:** interreligious dialogue, Orthodox, God.

*A few aspects of the Church mission in the contemporary world*

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**Abstract**

The incarnation of Jesus Christ, Son of God, was aimed at restoring the initial report between man and God , or more specifically, the salvation of mankind . Wanting his saving work , committed to the whole human race to be proclaimed worldwide until the end of time and to share it all men , Jesus Christ founded the Church , His mystical body .

**Keywords:** Jesus Christ, Holly Spirit, Church, mission.



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