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The 4th conference of the Romanian Network of Migration Studies (RoMig)

7th-8th September 2023
SNSPA, Bucharest, Romania

PROGRAMME

Organizers: RoMig - The Romanian Network for Migration Studies, National University for Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest (SNSPA). The conference is organized within the actions of CIVICA (The European University of Social Sciences, www.civica.eu).

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Programme overview

Thursday /7 th of September, 09:00 - 20:00		
09:30 - 10:30	Main Room	Opening ceremony: Prof. dr. Remus Pricopie, rector of SNSPA, Conf. dr. Cristian Pîrvulescu, Dean of the Faculty of Political Science SNSPA, Monica Șerban, PhD, Romanian Academy (RIQL) and Remus Gabriel Anghel, PhD, SNSPA and ISPMN, on behalf of RoMig
10:30 - 11:30	Main Room	Keynote speech: Another Form of Europeanisation. Ukrainian and Moldovan Women Meeting the (Southern) West Martina Cvajner, PhD, University of Trento
11:30 - 11:45		Coffee break
11:45 - 13:45		Concurrent panels
	Main Room	Panel 1: Refugees and vulnerable migrants in Romania. Adaptation and discourses
	Secondary Room	Panel 2: Romanians' intra-EU migration. Mobility patterns, social trust and institutions
13:45 - 14:45		Lunch break
14:45 - 16:15		Concurrent panels
	Main Room	Panel 3: Mobilities of the highly skilled
	Secondary Room	Panel 4: Precariousness, emotions, and spaces of vulnerability
16:15 - 16:30		Coffee break
16:30 - 18:00		Workshop 1: Roundtable on Ukrainians refugees in the Romanian context
19:00	Alambik	Photo Exhibition "Pride and Concrete" and Dinner

Friday/8 th of September, 08:30 - 17:00		
09:00 - 09:30	Main Room	Coffee break
09:30 - 11:30	Main Room	Panel 5: Romanian workers, home and abroad. Inequalities, social rights and labour struggles
11:30 - 11:45		Coffee Break
11:45 - 13:15		Concurrent panels
	Main Room	Panel 6: Care and family care
	Secondary Room	Panel 7: Return and effects of migration in the Romanian context
13:15 - 14:15		Lunch Break
14:15 - 15:45	Main Room	Workshop 2: Ongoing research projects
15:45 - 16:00	Main Room	Coffee Break
16:00 - 17:00	Main Room	Keynote speech: Migration studies. Looking back, looking forward Giuseppe Sciortino, PhD, University of Trento
19:00 - 20:30	Alambik	Dinner and farewell party

**There are 20 minutes for each paper (15 minutes presentation and 5 minutes discussions). Chairs can organize discussions after every presentation or at the end of the panel.*

Detailed program

Opening Ceremony: Remus Pricopie, Prof., PhD, rector of SNSPA, Cristian Pîrvulescu, Ass. Prof., PhD, Dean of the Faculty of Political Science SNSPA, Monica Șerban, PhD, Romanian Academy (RIQL) and Remus Gabriel Anghel, PhD, SNSPA and ISPMN on behalf of RoMig

Thursday, Main Room, 09.30-10.30

Keynote Speech: **Another form of Europeanization. Ukrainian and Moldovan women meeting the (southern) West**

Martina Cvajner, PhD, University of Trento

Thursday, Main Room, 10.30-11.30

Session 1 (Panel 1): **Refugees and vulnerable migrants in Romania: adaptation and discourses**

Thursday, Main Room, 11.45-13.45

Chair

Grațîela Georgiana Noja, West University of Timișoara

Papers

Public discourses about refugees and immigrants in Romania and implications for mental health and social inclusion of the displaced

Alina Dolea, Bournemouth University

Arthur Suci, Stefan cel Mare University of Suceava

Anabella Beju, Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu

Revisiting Ditrău/Ditró: Reconstructing Local Frameworks of an anti-migration incident

Kiss Tamás, Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities, Cluj

Luis Escobedo, University of the Free State, South Africa

Evolving Discourses on Ukrainian Refugees in the Romanian Public Sphere. A Multimodal Approach

Florența Toader, SNSPA

Bianca Florentina Cheregi, SNSPA

Mălina Ciocea, SNSPA

Forced displacement, liminality and relational agency in the case of Ukrainian migrants in Romania

Mihaela Nedelcu, University of Neuchâtel

Alina Bărbuță, CASTLE, Babeș-Bolyai University Cluj

Viorela Telegdi-Csetri, CASTLE, Babeș-Bolyai University Cluj

Áron Telegdi-Csetri, CASTLE, Babeș-Bolyai University Cluj

Romanians' attitudes and acts of solidarity towards Ukrainian refugees

Alin Croitoru, Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu

Horațiu Rusu, Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu

Session 1 (panel 2): **Romanians' intra-EU migration. Mobility patterns, social trust and institutions**

Thursday, Secondary Room, 11.45-13.45

Chair

Alin Croitoru, Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu

Papers

To leave again? Comparing re-migration and first migration intentions to understand repeated mobility

Monica Șerban, Romanian Academy (RIQL)

Mădălina Manoilă, Romanian Academy (RIQL)
Paula Tufiş, University of Bucharest

Migrants, municipalities and organisations: Challenges and opportunities of transnational entanglements in intra-EU movements.

Christian Schramm, Ruhr University Bochum

Mapping spatial migration patterns in Central and Eastern Europe after the fall of communism. A network approach

Ioana Manafi, Bucharest University of Economic Studies
Monica Roman, Bucharest University of Economic Studies
Vlad Roşca, Bucharest University of Economic Studies
Smaranda Cimpoieru, Bucharest University of Economic Studies

Labour market outcomes of immigrants at the times of the Covid-19 pandemic and geopolitical uncertainty: a network analysis and spatial bootstrap approach

Graţielă Georgiana Noja, West University of Timişoara
Mirela Cristea, University of Craiova
Pânzaru Ciprian, West University of Timişoara
Irina-Maria Grecu, West University of Timişoara

Here or there, who do you trust? Patterns of social trust following the migration experience of Romanians in Spain and France

Mara Birou, Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu (online)

Session 2 (panel 3): **Mobilities of the highly skilled**

Thursday, Main Room, 14.45-16.15

Chair

Paula Tufiş, University of Bucharest

Papers

The Role of Legislation in Migration of Doctors in Romania

Nicula, Marilena, Romanian Academy (RIQL)

Healthcare professionals in search of better healthcare systems. Examples from Romanian cases

Alexandra Deliu, Romanian Academy (RIQL)
Dana Fărcăşanu, Center for Health Policies and Services Bucharest
Mirela Mustaţă, Center for Health Policies and Services Bucharest
Iulia Vişinescu, Center for Health Policies and Services Bucharest

Duty to protect? Academic refugees and the role of European Universities

Alina Dragolea, SNSPA
Vlad Terteleac, SNSPA

Back to the Future: Digital Migrants Head Home

Ovidiu Oltean, Babeş-Bolyai University Cluj
Andrew Taylor, Transylvanian Executive Education Cluj

Session 2 (panel 4): **Precariousness, emotions, and spaces of vulnerability**

Thursday, Secondary Room, 14.45-17.00

Chair

Martina Cvajner, University of Trento

Papers

The production of non-state spaces in the management of non-EU workers in Romania

Cosmin Radu, Romanian Ministry of Justice and ICUB - University of Bucharest

Blindman's Buff. The impact of the loss of local contact points during the arrival situation

Léa Bendele, Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University Heidenheim

Precarious inclusion as a way to understand migrant subjectivities in the European space

Margit Fauser, Ruhr University Bochum

Consequences of emotions and trauma of migration – the Romanian diaspora in the UK

Alina Dolea, Bournemouth University

Exploring religiosity in migration. The Story of Migration and Conversion of Afghan and Iranian Refugees in Greece

Georgiana Găvruş, SNSPA

Session 3 (workshop 1): Roundtable on Romanian NGOs involvement in helping Ukrainian refugees

Thursday, Main Room, 16.30-18.00

Participants: Claudia Lixandru and Andreea Nedelcu, Roma Education Fund; Laura Istrate, Cattia Braşov; Mihai Oodoroagă, Ateliere Fără Frontiere; Mircea Barbu, journalist; Mihaela Nedelcu, University of Neuchâtel; Volodymyr Artiukh, Oxford University; Florenţa Toader, SNSPA; Bianca Mălina Ciocca, SNSPA; Bianca Cheregi, SNSPA; Alina Dolea, Bournemouth University, Áron Telegdi, CASTLE/ Babeş-Bolyai University Cluj.

Extra Session at ALAMBIK: Photo Exhibition and talk: “Pride and Concrete – Mândrie şi Beton” – Photo Exhibition and talk with Petruţ Călinescu

Session 4 (panel 5): Romanian workers, home and abroad. Inequalities, social rights and labour struggles

Friday, Main Room, 09.30-11.30

Chair

Sebastian Țoc, SNSPA

Papers

Is no employment better than self-employment? The story of how Romania managed to create a class of ‘invisible’ and forgotten workers

Luana Pop, University of Bucharest

‘Slaves’ without coercion? Work-related classification patterns among Romanian migrant workers

Sperneac-Wolfer Christian, Goethe University Frankfurt

Botorog Andrei, Goethe University Frankfurt

Sutterluety Ferdinand, Goethe University Frankfurt

“Știu eu pe cineva” Self-Organized Mobility, Labour Intermediation and the Twofold Exploitability of Romanian Workers in the Austrian Fresh Food Sector

Sperneac-Wolfer Paul, Central European University Vienna

Social counselling as policy intervention: Mediating Welfare Benefit Claims of Romanians in Berlin

Buzoianu Cătălin, Freie Universität Berlin & Evangelische Hochschule Berlin

E-Governance in times of uncertainty: diaspora-built practices on social media during the covid-19 pandemic

Jeflea Antonia, Eberhard Karls University Tübingen & Ludwig Uhland Institut für Empirische Kulturwissenschaft, Tübingen

Session 5 (panel 6): **Care and family care**

Friday, Main Room, 11.45-13.15

Chair

Giuseppe Sciortino, University of Trento

Papers

Exploring the Transnational Emigration of Romanian Women in the Italian Care Sector

Gloria Gravina, West University of Timișoara

Two sides of the same coin: Care migration and care drain as consequences of family-based welfare systems. Case study: Germany as a country of destination and Romania as a country of origin

Alexandra Adamescu, University of Milan

«Here it's not an ordinary workplace, it's like a family, like home». The transnational family habitus of Romanian badanti in Italy

Rosa Maria Radogna, University of Bucharest

Local and transnational participation of families with stay-behind children

Viorela Ducu, CASTLE, Babeș-Bolyai University Cluj

Aron Telegdi Csetri, CASTLE, Babeș-Bolyai University Cluj

Mihaela Hărăguș, Babeș-Bolyai University Cluj

Session 5 (panel 7): **Return and effects of migration in the Romanian context**

Friday, Secondary Room, 11.45-13.15

Chair

Margit Fauser, Ruhr University Bochum

Papers

Is the grass greener on the other side? Remittances, inequality, and changing labour regime in Romania's agriculture

Remus Gabriel Anghel, SNSPA and Romanian Institute for Research on National Minorities

Lucian Vesalon, West University of Timișoara

Home for the Harvest: Return Migration and domestic agriculture in Bistrița-Năsăud county

Bridget Kelly-Vincz, Ann Arbor Michigan

Transnationalism in Times of Crisis: Non-migrants' Attitudes toward Romanian and Roma Returned Migrants during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Ana Coșciug, Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu (online)

The voting preferences of Diaspora and its effect on electoral results in Romania

Toma Burean, Babeș-Bolyai University Cluj

Session 6 (workshop 2): **Ongoing research projects**

Friday, Main Room, 14.15-15.45

Dealing with Crises and Liminal Situations: The Agency of Ukrainian and Syrian Forced Migrants in Three National Contexts (2022-2026), University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland, funding agency: Swiss National Science Foundation, nccr-on the move, PI: Mihaela Nedelcu (Neuchâtel University) and Walter Leimgruber (Basel University) (Mihaela Nedelcu)

Ukrainian refugees in Central and Eastern Europe: public debates, strategic narratives and practices (2023), CoDiPo (Communication, Discourse, Public Problems) Laboratory, Center for Research in Communication, SNSPA, Romania, team members: Mălina Ciocea, Bianca Florentina Cheregi, Florența Toader (Faculty of Communication and Public Relations, SNSPA, Romania) (Florența Toader)

ERC Foodcircuits: Hidden connections between migrants and societies (2023-2028), University of Barcelona, Spain, funding agency: EC, PI: Seth Holmes (University of Barcelona, Spain & University of Berkeley, US) (Paul Sperneac-Wolfer)

ReturnITA: Transnational Return in IT and agriculture (2021-2023), SNSPA, Romania, funding agency: Romanian Ministry of Education and Research through UEFISCDI, PI: Remus Gabriel Anghel (SNSPA & ISPMN, Romania) (Remus Gabriel Anghel)

Horizon Europe SafeHabitat: Strengthening farm health and safety knowledge and innovation systems (2023-2026), Coordinator: TEAGASC (The Agriculture and Food Development Authority), Ireland, funding agency: EC, Romanian partner: "Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu (Alin Croitoru)

Romanian Migrant Workers in the German Construction Industry: A Study Based on Social Classifications Theory (2021-2024), Institute for Social Research, Frankfurt am Main, Germany, funding agency: Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG, German Research Foundation) (Christian Sperneac-Wolfer)

Horizon Europe Re-Place: Reframing non-metropolitan left behind places through mobility and alternative development (2023-2027), Coordinator: IGOT-UL (Instituto de Geografia e Ordenamento do Território da Universidade de Lisboa), Portugal, funding agency: EC, Romanian partner: Romanian Academy, Research Institute for the Quality of Life (RIQL) (Monica Șerban)

ZuSudo: Immigration from Southeast Europe - Enabling Participation and Cohesion at the Municipal Level (2021-2024), Ruhr University Bochum, Germany, funding agency: Mercator Foundation, Direction: Ludger Pries (Ruhr University Bochum, Germany); Coordination: Christian Schramm (Ruhr University Bochum, Germany) (Christian Schramm)

Diaspora diplomacy, emotions and disruption (2022-2024), Bournemouth University, UK, funding agency: The Center on Public Diplomacy, University of Southern California, US, PI: Alina E. Dolea (Bournemouth University, UK) (Alina Dolea)

Keynote Speech: **Migration studies. Looking back, looking forward**

Giuseppe Sciortino, PhD, University of Trento

Friday, Main Room, 16.00-17.00

Keynote speakers

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Giuseppe Sciortino is the chair of the Sociology Department at the University of Trento. He teaches classes in cultural sociology, globalization processes and research design. His research interests are in the fields of International Migration and the Sexuality Studies. He published several books, including *Populism in the Civil Sphere* (edited with Alexander, J. and Kivisto, P.), *The Cultural Trauma of Decolonization* (edited with Eyerman, R.) and *Great Minds: Encounters with Social Theory* (with Poggi, G.). More recently, he co-edited (with Cvajner, M. and Kivisto P.) the *Research Handbook on Migration Studies*.

Set up in 2016, **RoMig – the Romanian Network for Migration Studies** (www.romig.ro) is a network of Romanian and international scholars with different disciplinary backgrounds who share a common interest in international migration from and towards Romania.

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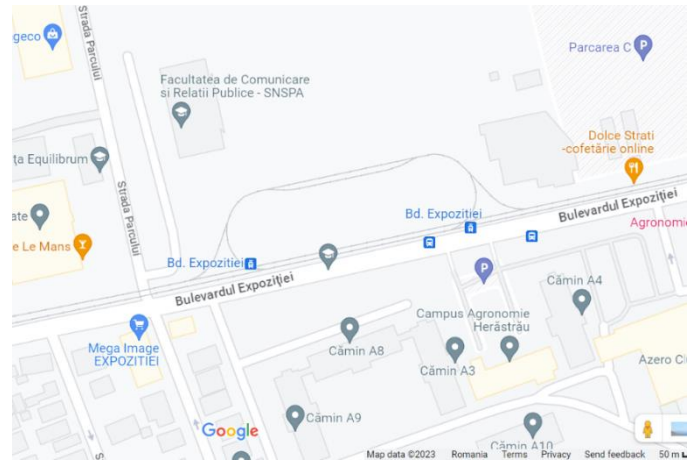
Venue:

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