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Current position

Professor (Full) of Comparative Politics and Recent History (since February 2015);

Courses taught:

1. *Politics and Society in 20th Century Europe* (Political Science, taught in English, first year of BA studies);
2. *Introducere în securitatea documentelor și a informațiilor* [Introduction to the security of documents and information] (Security Studies, taught in Romanian, second year of BA studies);
3. *Emergența terorismului* [The emergence of terrorism] (Security Studies, taught in Romanian, third year of BA studies);
4. *Dictaturi comuniste și narațiuni cinematografice* [Communist dictatorships and cinematic narratives] (Political Science, taught in Romanian, third year of BA studies);
5. *European Political Cultures* (Political Science, taught in English, third year of BA studies);
6. *Comparative Post-Communism* (Master in Comparative Politics, taught in English, first year of MA studies);
7. *Political Modernities in Southeast Europe* (Master in Comparative Politics, taught in English, second year of MA studies).

Education

November 2003: Central European University Budapest, Hungary; PhD in Comparative History; Dissertation title: "The Collapse of Romanian Communism: An Explanatory Model;"

September 2002–June 2003: School of Slavonic and East European Studies, University College London, United Kingdom; Teacher/Fellow in Romanian Studies;

January–September 2000: University of Maryland at College Park, USA; Department of Government and Politics; Advanced Doctoral Student;

1998–2002: Central European University, Budapest Hungary, History Department; PhD candidate in Comparative History;

1997–1998: Central European University Budapest, Hungary, History Department; MA in Comparative History;

1992–1997: University of Bucharest, Faculty of History; BA in Contemporary History;

1982–1987: Polytechnic University of Bucharest, Faculty of Energetics; BA in Engineering.

Work experience

Since February 2004: Member of the faculty, Faculty of Political Science, University of Bucharest;

January 2010–March 2018: Chairman of the Board, National Council for the Study of the Securitate Archives, Bucharest (*Consiliul Național pentru Studierea Arhivelor Securității–CNSAS*);

March 2006–January 2010: Member of the Board, National Council for the Study of the Securitate Archives, Bucharest (*Consiliul Național pentru Studierea Arhivelor Securității–CNSAS*);
July 2003–March 2006: Director, Romanian Institute of Recent History, Bucharest (*Institutul Român de Istorie Recentă–IRIR*).

Memberships and awards

Member of the Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEES);
Member of the Society for Romanian Studies (SRS);
2008–2018: Member of the Advisory Board of the periodical *Caietele CNSAS*, edited by the National Council for the Study of Securitate Archives (CNSAS);
2003–2009: Member of the Advisory Board of the National Institute for the Memory of the Romanian Exile (*Institutul Național pentru Memoria Exilului Românesc–INMER*);
2007–2009: Member of the Advisory Presidential Commission for the Analysis of the Communist Dictatorship in Romania (*Comisia Prezidențială Consultativă pentru Analiza Dictaturii Comuniste din România–CPCADCR*);
April 2006–December 2006: Member of the Presidential Commission for the Analysis of the Communist Dictatorship in Romania (*Comisia Prezidențială pentru Analiza Dictaturii Comuniste din România–CPADCR*); co-author of the Final Report of the Presidential Commission for the Analysis of the Communist Dictatorship in Romania (*Raport Final al Comisiei Prezidențiale pentru Analiza Dictaturii Comuniste în România*). Bucharest: Editura Humanitas, 2007; ISBN 9789735018368;
1999: The Civil Society Foundation's Award for the best translation into Romanian of a book in political science (with Cristina Petrescu); translation of Vladimir Tismăneanu, ed., *The Revolutions of 1989* (London: Routledge, 1999); Romanian version: *Revoluțiile din 1989: Între trecut și viitor* (Iași: Editura Polirom, 1999); ISBN 9736833526.

Participation to international research projects

"Remembering Communism: Methodological and Practical Issues of Approaching the Recent Past in Eastern Europe;" Project no. 1432-0144; project directors: Maria Todorova (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign) and Stefan Troebst (University of Leipzig); funded by the Volkswagen Foundation, 2006–2009;
<https://www.hsozkult.de/project/id/projekte-169>

"Das andere Europa - die 1960er bis 1980er Jahre: Dissens in Politik und Gesellschaft, Alternativen in der Kultur. Beiträge zu einer vergleichenden Zeitgeschichte;" project director Wolfgang Eichwede (Forschungsstelle Osteuropa, Bremen); funded by the Volkswagen Foundation, 2007–2009;
https://www.forschungsstelle.uni-bremen.de/de/4/20130926132240/20110624151751/Das_andere_Osteuropa.html

"Europa im Ostblock: Vorstellungswelten und Kommunikationsräume im Wandel;" project coordinator: José Maria Faraldo (Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung, Potsdam); funded by the Volkswagen Foundation, 2004–2007;
https://zzf-potsdam.de/sites/default/files/veranstaltung/files/euostblock1105_prog.pdf

"History After the Fall: The Indeterminacy of the Short Twentieth Century," a EU-funded project developed in the framework of the CULTURE 2000 Program and coordinated by the Open Society Archives (OSA) Budapest; Agreement 2004 – 1486 / 001 – 001 CLT CA22, 2004–2007;
<http://w3.osaarchivum.org/updates/2004/projects/culture2000/g.html>

“Diktaturbewältigung und nationale Selbstvergewisserung an der Semi-Peripherie Europas ;“ project director: Stefan Troebst (Geisteswissenschaftlichen Zentrum Geschichte und Kultur Ostmitteleuropas-GWZO), University of Leipzig; funded by the Volkswagen Foundation, 2002–2005.
<http://research.uni-leipzig.de/gwzo/index.php?Itemid=1092>

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Entangled Revolutions: The Breakdown of the Communist Regimes in East-Central Europe (Bucharest: Editura Enciclopedică, 2014), 438p. ISBN 9789734506958.

Explaining the Romanian Revolution of 1989: Culture, Structure, and Contingency (Bucharest: Editura Enciclopedică, 2010); 454p. ISBN 9789734506262.

Edited volumes

Balazs Trencsenyi, Dragoş Petrescu, Cristina Petrescu, Constantin Iordachi and Zoltan Kantor, eds., *Nation-Building and Contested Identities : Romanian & Hungarian Case Studies* (Budapest: Regio Books, 2001); ISBN 9630087146.

Book chapters

“Dissidenten im kommunistischen Rumänien: Kritik, Handlungsstrategien und selbstgestellte Aufgaben” (with Cristina Petrescu), in Wolfgang Eichwede and Jan Pauer, eds., *Ringens um Autonomie: Dissidentendiskurse in Mittel- und Osteuropa* (Münster: LIT Verlag 2017), pp. 309–356; ISBN 9783643112187.

“Public Exposure Without Lustration,” in Lavinia Stan and Lucian Turcescu, eds., *Justice, Memory and Redress in Romania: New Insights* (Newcastle upon Tyne, UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2017), pp. 124–144; ISBN 9781443831529.

“Commuting Villagers and Social Protest: Peasant-Workers and Working-Class Unrest in Romania, 1965–1989,” in Sorin Radu and Cosmin Budeancă, eds., *Countryside and Communism in Eastern Europe: Perceptions, Attitudes, Propaganda* (Vienna: LIT Verlag, 2016), pp. 497–524; ISBN 9783643907158.

“The Canon of Remembering Romanian Communism: From Autobiographical Recollections to Collective Representations” (with Cristina Petrescu), in Maria Todorova, Augusta Dimou and Stefan Troebst, eds., *Remembering Communism: Private and Public Recollections of Lived Experiences in Southeast Europe* (Budapest: Central European University Press, 2014), pp. 43–70; ISBN 9789633860342.

“The Revolution of 1989 and the *Rashomon* Effect: Recollections of the Collapse of Communism in Romania,” in Maria Todorova, Augusta Dimou and Stefan Troebst, eds., *Remembering Communism: Private and Public Recollections of Lived Experiences in Southeast Europe* (Budapest: Central European University Press, 2014), pp. 533–548; ISBN 9789633860342.

“The Resistance that Wasn’t: Romanian Intellectuals, the Securitate, and the ‘Resistance through Culture,’” in Joachim von Puttkamer, Stefan Sienerth and Ulrich A. Wien, eds., *Die Securitate in Siebenbürgen* (Cologne: Böhlau Verlag, 2014), pp. 11–35; ISBN 9783412222536.

“Selective Memories of Communism: Remembering Ceauşescu’s ‘Socialism’ in Post-1989 Romania,” in Agnieszka Gasior, Agnieszka Halemba and Stefan Troebst, eds., *Gebrochene Kontinuitäten: Transnationalität in den*

Erinnerungskulturen Ostmitteleuropas im 20. Jahrhundert (Cologne: Böhlau Verlag, 2014), pp. 305–321; ISBN 9783412222567.

“Rok 1989 jako powrót do Europy: O rewolucji, reformie i pojednaniu z traumatyczną przeszłością,” in Krzysztof Brzechczyn, ed., *Interpretacje upadku komunizmu w Polsce i w Europie Środkowo-Wschodniej* (Poznań: Instytut Pamięci Narodowej, 2011), pp. 15–36; ISBN 9788393218806.

“Die internationalen Medien und der Zusammenbruch des Kommunismus in Ungarn und Rumänien: Eine vergleichende Analyse,” in Detlef Pollack and Jan Wielgohs, eds., *Akteure oder Profiteure? Die demokratische Opposition in den ostmitteleuropäischen Regimeumbrüchen 1989* (Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften, 2010), pp. 151–165; ISBN 9783531155760.

“Der Zusammenbruch des Kommunismus in Ungarn und Rumänien im Vergleich,” in Detlef Pollack and Jan Wielgohs, eds., *Akteure oder Profiteure? Die demokratische Opposition in den ostmitteleuropäischen Regimeumbrüchen 1989* (Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften, 2010), pp. 241–258; ISBN 9783531155760.

“The Pitești Syndrome: A Romanian Vergangenheitsbewältigung?” (with Cristina Petrescu), in Stefan Troebst, ed., *Postdiktatorische Geschichtskulturen im Süden und Osten Europas: Bestandsaufnahme und Forschungsperspektiven* (Göttingen: Wallstein Verlag, 2010), pp. 502–618; ISBN 9783835306370.

“Legitimacy, Nation-Building and Closure: Meanings and Consequences of the Romanian August of 1968,” in M. Mark Stolarik, ed., *The Prague Spring and the Warsaw Pact Invasion of Czechoslovakia, 1968: Forty Years Later* (Mundelein, IL: Bolchazy-Carducci Publishers, 2010), pp. 237–259; ISBN 9780865167575 (Hardbound); ISBN 9780865167513 (Paperback).

“Community-Building and Identity Politics in Gheorghiu-Dej’s Romania, 1956–64,” in Vladimir Tismăneanu, ed., *Stalinism Revisited: The Establishment of Communist Regimes in East-Central Europe* (Budapest: Central European University Press, 2009), pp. 401–422; ISBN 9789639776555.

“Retribution, Remembering, Representation: On Romania’s Incomplete Break with the Communist Past” (with Cristina Petrescu), in Gerhard Besier and Katarzyna Stokłosa, eds., *Geschichtsbilder in den postdiktatorischen Ländern Europas: Auf der Suche nach historisch-politischen Identitäten* (Berlin: LIT Verlag, 2009), pp. 155–182; ISBN 9783643102300.

“The Structuring of Opposition Elites in Post-1989 Romania: ‘Historical’ Parties, Public Intellectuals, and Anti-Communism,” in Heinrich Best, Ronald Gebauer and Axel Salheiser, eds., *Elites and Social Change: The Socialist and Post-Socialist Experience* (Hamburg: Krämer Verlag, 2009), pp. 99–114; ISBN 9783896220974.

“Conflicting Perceptions of (Western) Europe: The Case of Communist Romania, 1958–1989,” in José M. Faraldo, Paulina Gulińska-Jurgiel and Christian Domnitz, eds., *Europa im Ostblock: Vorstellungen und Diskurse, 1945–1991* (Cologne: Böhlau Verlag, 2008), pp. 199–220; ISBN 9783412200299.

“Communist Legacies in the ‘New Europe:’ History, Ethnicity, and the Creation of a ‘Socialist’ Nation in Romania, 1945–1989” [Moșteniri comuniste în „Noua Europă”: Istorie, etnicitate și crearea unei națiuni „socialiste” în România, 1945–1989], in Konrad H. Jarausch, Thomas Lindenberger, coord., *Conflicted Memories. Europeanizing Contemporary Histories* (New York: Berghahn Books, 2007), pp. 37–54; ISBN 1845452844.

- “Mastering vs. Coming to Terms with the Past: A Critical Analysis of Post-Communist Romanian Historiography” (with Cristina Petrescu), in Sorin Antohi, Balázs Trencsényi and Péter Apor, eds., *Narratives Unbound. Historical Studies in Post-Communist Eastern Europe* (Budapest: Central European University Press, 2007), pp. 311–408; ISBN 9789637326851.
- “Dilemmas of Transitional Justice in Post-1989 Romania,” in Vladimira Dvorakova and Anđelko Milardović, eds., *Lustration and Consolidation of Democracy and the Rule of Law in Central and Eastern Europe* (Zagreb: Political Science Research Center, 2007), pp. 127–151, ISBN 9789537022181.
- “Fifty-six as an Identity-Shaping Experience: The Case of the Romanian Communists,” in János M. Rainer and Katalin Somlai, eds., *The 1956 Hungarian Revolution and the Soviet Bloc Countries: Reactions and Repercussions* (Budapest: The Institute for the History of the 1956 Hungarian Revolution, 2007), pp. 48–68; ISBN 9789639739048.
- “Workers and Peasant-Workers in a Working-Class ‘Paradise:’ Patterns of Working-Class Protest in Communist Romania,” in Peter Hübner, Christoph Kleßmann and Klaus Tenfelde, eds., *Arbeiter im Staatssozialismus: Ideologischer Anspruch und Soziale Wirklichkeit* (Cologne: Böhlau Verlag, 2005), pp. 119–140; ISBN 9783412187057.
- “‘Rebellious’ vs. ‘Non-Rebellious’ Nations: British Perceptions of Romanian Anti-Communist Dissidence in the 1980s,” in Dennis Deletant, ed., *In and Out of Focus: Romania and Britain – Relations and Perspectives from 1930 to the Present* (Bucharest: British Council & Editura Cavallioti, 2005), pp. 163–182; ISBN 9739463959.
- “Can Democracy Work in Southeastern Europe? Ethnic Homogeneity vs. Democratic Consolidation in Post-Communist Romania,” in Balázs Trencsényi et al., eds., *Nation-Building and Contested Identities: Romanian & Hungarian Case Studies* (Budapest: Regio Books, 2001), pp. 267–291; ISBN 9630087146.
- “Reshaping Eastern Europe: Romania and the Europe of the ‘Rejected,’” in Marius Turda, ed., *The Garden and the Workshop: Disseminating Cultural History in East-Central Europe* (Budapest: Central European University & Europa Institut, 1999), pp. 281–295; ISBN 9630365227.

Articles in academic journals

- “Closely Watched Tourism: The Securitate as Warden of Transnational Encounters, 1967–1969,” *Journal of Contemporary History*; first published on November 7, 2014 as DOI:10.1177/0022009414552146; paper: Vol. 50 (2), 2015, pp. 337–353; ISSN 0022-0094; ISI indexed; <http://jch.sagepub.com/content/early/recent>;
- “Sixty Years After: Reassessing the Hungarian Revolution of 1956.” *Arhivele Totalitarismului* [Archives of totalitarianism] (Bucharest) No. 92–93, 3–4/2016, pp. 126–140; ISSN 1221-6917; indexed in CEEOL, EBSCO, ERIH PLUS;
- “Path Dependence and the Inception of the Polish ‘Negotiated Revolution’ of 1989,” *Analele Universității București – Științe Politice* [Annals of the University of Bucharest – Political Science Series] Vol XVI, No. 2 (2014), pp. 103–118; ISSN 1582-2486; indexed in CEEOL, INDEX COPERNICUS, ULRICHWEB, GESIS-SOAR, EBSCO, DOAJ;

- “The Communist Past, Twenty-Five Years After” (with Cristina Petrescu), *Analele Universității București – Științe Politice*, [Annals of the University of Bucharest – Political Science Series] Vol. XVI, No. 2 (2014), pp. 17–21; ISSN 1582-2486; indexed in CEEOL, INDEX COPERNICUS, ULRICHSWEB, GESIS-SSOAR, EBSCO, DOAJ;
- “State against the Citizens and Citizens against the State: Repression and Insurgent Violence in Communist Romania, 1945–1989,” *Arhivele totalitarismului* [Archives of totalitarianism] (Bucharest), No. 84–85, 3–4/2014, pp.125–141; ISSN 1221-6917; indexed in CEEOL, EBSCO, ERIH PLUS;
- “Peitsche und Zuckerbrot: Erinnerung an die Ceaușescu-Ära in Rumänien,” *Osteuropa* (Berlin), Vol. 63, No. 5-6 (Mai-Juni 2013), pp. 355–366, ISSN 0030-6428; indexed in CEEOL, IBSS and GESIS;
- “On Bloody Events and ‘Contradictory Truths:’ The Romanian Revolution of 1989 and the Discontinuous Past,” *Colloquia – Journal for Central European History* (Cluj-Napoca), Vol. XIX, 2012, pp. 5–18, ISSN 1223-5261; indexed in CEEOL and ProQuest.
- “Rewolucje 1989 roku: Schemat wyjaśniający,” *Pamięć i Sprawiedliwość* [Memory and Justice] (Warsaw), Nr. 2 (18), 2011, pp. 53–79, ISSN 1427-7476; indexed in CEEOL and Index Copernicus;
- “Building the Nation, Instrumentalizing Nationalism: Revisiting Romanian National-Communism, 1956–1989,” *Nationalities Papers*, Vol. 37, No. 4 (July 2009), pp. 523–544; ISSN 0090-5992; indexed in Scopus and IBSS;
- “Continuity, Legitimacy and Identity: Understanding the Romanian August of 1968,” *Cuadernos de Historia Contemporánea – Revista del Departamento de Historia Contemporánea* (Universidad Complutense de Madrid), Vol. 31 (2009), pp. 69–88; ISSN 0214-400X; indexed in ERIH-INT2 and Ulrich;
- “Reconstructing the Unusable Past: Historical Writings on Romanian Communism” (with Cristina Petrescu), *Revista de Historiografia* (Madrid), No. 10, Year VI (2009), pp. 72–91; ISSN 1885-2718.
- “Resistance and Dissent under Communism. The Case of Romania” (with Cristina Petrescu), *Totalitarismus und Demokratie* (Göttingen), Vol. 4, Issue 2 (2007), pp. 323–346; ISSN 1612-9008.
- “The Nomenklatura Talks: Romanian Party Dignitaries on Gheorghiu-Dej and Ceaușescu” (with Cristina Petrescu), *East European Politics and Societies*, Vol. 16, No. 3 (2002), pp. 958–970; ISSN 0888-3254; indexed in Scopus and IBSS.

Other publications

- “The Political Culture Approach to the Study of Communism: The Case of Romania, 1945–1989,” in Alexandru Zub and Adrian Cioflâncă, eds., *Cultură politică și politici culturale în România modernă* (Political culture and cultural politics in modern Romania) (Iași: Editura Universității “Al. I. Cuza,” 2005), pp. 291–304; ISBN: 9737031261.
- “How Communism Turned into History: Vladimir Tismăneanu as Historian of Romanian Communism” (with Cristina Petrescu), *Studia Politica* (Bucharest), Vol. 5, No.3 (2005), pp. 727–732; ISSN 1582-4551.
- “Nurturing Unrest: International Media and the Demise of Ceaușescuism,” *Studia Politica* (Bucharest), Vol. 5, No.2 (2005), pp. 409-42; ISSN 1582-4551.

“Biserica Ortodoxă Română sub communism: O abordare instituțională” (The Romanian Orthodox Church under communism. An institutional approach), in Miruna Tătaru-Cazaban, ed., *Teologie și Politică. De la Sfinții Părinți la Europa unită* (Theology and politics. From the Church Fathers to the united Europe) (Bucharest: Editura Anastasia, 2004), pp. 194–208; ISBN 973682053X.

“The 1989 Revolutions in Hungary and Romania: Comparative Perspectives,” *Studia Politica* (Bucharest), Vol. 3, No. 1 (2003), pp. 22–55; ISSN 1582-4551.

“Debates on Development in a European Suburb: Eugen Lovinescu’s Theory of ‘Integral Imitation,’” *Xenopoliana* (Iași), Vol. IX, No. 1–4 (2001), pp. 82–93; ISSN 1223-9941.

“National vs. European Identity: The 1999 Romanian Controversy over Alternative History Textbooks,” in Alexandru Zub and Adrian Cioflâncă, eds., *Globalism și dileme identitare: Perspective românești* (Globalism and identity dilemmas: Romanian perspectives) (Iași: Editura Universității “A. I. Cuza,” 2001), pp. 219–234; ISBN 9738243408.

“Colapsul comunismului românesc: Un model explicativ” (The collapse of Romanian communism: An explanatory model), *Sfera politicii* (Bucharest) No. 77 (January 2000), pp. 8–14; ISSN 1221-6720.

“A Threat From Below? Some Reflections on Workers’ Protest in Communist Romania,” *Xenopoliana* (Iași), Vol. VII, No. 1–2 (1999), pp. 142–168; ISSN 1223-9941.

“Despre vocația democratică a țărilor ‘ortodoxe’” (On the democratic vocation of the “orthodox” countries), *Sfera politicii* (Bucharest), No. 69 (June 1999), pp. 6–11; ISSN 1221-6720.

“Cântarea României sau stalinismul național în festival” (A national-Stalinist festival. Romania’s Song of Praise), in Lucian Boia, ed., *Miturile comunismului românesc* (Myths of Romanian communism), Vol. II (Bucharest: Bucharest University Press, 1997), pp. 115–126; reprint: Lucian Boia, ed., *Miturile comunismului românesc* (Myths of Romanian communism) (Bucharest: Editura Nemira, 1998), pp. 239–251; ISBN 9735692090.

Academic books translated into Romanian

Vladimir Tismăneanu, *Stalinism for All Seasons: A Political History of Romanian Communism* (Berkeley, CA: University of California Press, 2003); translated with Cristina Petrescu; Romanian version published as *Stalinism pentru eternitate: O istorie politică a comunismului românesc* (Iași: Editura Polirom, 2005) ISBN 9736818993; new ed. (Bucharest: Editura Humanitas, 2014).

Vladimir Tismăneanu, ed., *The Revolutions of 1989* (London: Routledge, 1999); translated with Cristina Petrescu; Romanian version published as *Revoluțiile din 1989: Între trecut și viitor* (Iași: Editura Polirom, 1999); ISBN 9736833526.

Papers delivered to international conventions, conferences and workshops

2018 – The 2018 International Conference of the Society for Romanian Studies, “#Romania100: Looking Forward through the Past;” 26–29 June 2018, Bucharest; participant to Panel “Remembering and Redressing Past Atrocities” (Sessions D and E); paper title: “Shared, Converging or Disputed Memories? European Patterns

of Remembering WWI, WWII and the Cold War;" <https://society4romanianstudiesdotorg.files.wordpress.com/2018/06/schedule-at-a-glance1.pdf>

2018 – International conference "Between Enslavement and Resistance: Attitudes towards Communism in East European Societies, 1945–1989;" 15–16 June 2018, Poznań; organized by Instytut Pamięci Narodowej, Poznań branch; paper presenter and participant to the roundtable on Aviezer Tucker's book *The Legacies of Totalitarianism: A Theoretical Framework* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2015); paper title: "Entangled Resistance: On the Breakdown of Communism and its Populist Aftermath;" <https://ipn.gov.pl/pl/aktualnosci/47980,Miedzynarodowa-konferencja-Between-Enslavement-and-Resistance-Attitudes-towards-.html>

2018 – International conference "Workers beyond Socialist Glorification and Post-Socialist Disavowal: New Perspectives on Eastern European Labour History;" 24–27 May 2018, Vienna; organized as part of the research project "Between class and nation: Working class communities in 1980s Serbia and Montenegro" based at the Centre for Southeast European Studies, University of Graz; paper title "Incidents, Shortages, Bottlenecks: The Securitate Files as Labor History Sources, 1968–1989;" https://www.ios-regensburg.de/fileadmin/doc/veranstaltungen/2018/2018_05_24-27_EastLabour_Conference_Programme.pdf

2018 – International conference "March 68. Fifty Years Later;" 13–15 March 2018, Warsaw; organized by POLIN Museum of the History of Polish Jews; member of the academic committee of the conference and participant to Session 4 "The Youth and Students in 1968;" paper title: "Specificities of a Transnational Year 1968: Belated De-Stalinization and Student Unrest in Romania;" http://www.polin.pl/en/system/files/attachments/cfp_march68_50yearslater.pdf; http://www.polin.pl/pl/system/files/attachments/program_konferencja-marzec-68_po-50-latach.pdf

2016 - Participant to the launch of the "Hidden Galleries" project funded by the European Research Council and the related workshop at the University College Cork – UCC (Ireland), 4 November 2016; paper title: "The Romanian Orthodox Church during the Ceaușescu Epoch: Patterns of Submission and Opposition to the Regime;" <https://www.ucc.ie/en/news/archive/2016/ucc-investigates-secret-police-archives.html>

2016 – International conference "Comparing Communisms: Perspectives from Southeast Europe," 26–28 September 2016, organized by Institut für Osteuropäische Geschichte, Universität Wien; paper title: "Comparative Perspectives on Balkan Communism: State Repression and Dissident Actions in Bulgaria and Romania during the 1980s," http://iog.univie.ac.at/fileadmin/user_upload/inst_osteurop_geschichte/Dateien_Newsmeldungen/Einladung_Communisms.pdf;

2016 – International workshop "Wydarzenia 1956 roku w Europie Środkowo-Wschodniej. Próba spojrzenia transnarodowego" (The events of 1956 in East-Central Europe: A transnational perspective), 24 June 2016, Poznań; organized by Instytut Pamięci Narodowej, Poznań branch; paper title: "The Echoes of 1956 in Romania: Consequences of the 1956 Events in the Soviet Bloc on Romanian Communism;" <http://poznan.ipn.gov.pl/pl7/aktualnosci/35468,Panel-dyskusyjny-Wydarzenia-1956-roku-w-Europie-Srodkowo-Wschodniej-Proba-spojrz.html>;

2015 – International conference "Countryside and Communism in Eastern Europe: Perceptions, Attitudes, Propaganda," 25–26 September 2015, Sibiu; organized by the "Lucian Blaga" University Sibiu; the conference paper was published as "Commuting Villagers and Social Protest: Peasant-Workers and Working-Class

Unrest in Romania, 1965–1989,” in Sorin Radu and Cosmin Budeancă, eds., *Countryside and Communism in Eastern Europe: Perceptions, Attitudes, Propaganda* (Vienna: LIT Verlag, 2016), pp. 497–524.

- 2015 – Joint presentation Włodzimierz Borodziej/Dragoş Petrescu in front of the Monday Seminar at the Imre Kertész Kolleg Jena; presentation title: “State Repression in Sovietized Europe, 1948–1989;” 6 July 2015; <http://www.imre-kertesz-kolleg.uni-jena.de/index.php?id=554>
- 2015 – The 2015 International Conference of the Society for Romanian Studies, “Linking Past, Present and Future: The 25th Anniversary of Regime Change in Romania and Moldova (1989/1991),” 17–19 June 2015, Bucharest; participant to Panel E3 “De-communization and Historical Redress;” the conference paper was published as “Public Exposure Without Lustration,” in Lavinia Stan and Lucian Turcescu, eds., *Justice, Memory and Redress in Romania: New Insights* (Newcastle upon Tyne, UK: Cambridge Scholars Publishing, 2017), pp. 124–144.
- 2015 – International conference “Remembrance of the Second World War 70 Years After: Winners, Losers, Perpetrators, Victims, Bystanders;” 11–13 May 2015, Vienna; organized by the European Network Remembrance and Solidarity and the Diplomatic Academy in Vienna; concluding remarks to the conference under the title “Communities of Memory, Big and Small: Remembering World War I, World War II and the Cold War;” <http://europeanremembrance.enrs.eu/edition2015/programme>
- 2015 – International conference “Aus den Giftschränken des Kommunismus: Methodische Fragen zum Umgang mit den Überwachungsakten in Südost- und Mitteleuropa;” 28–30 April 2015, Berlin; organizers: Institut für deutsche Literatur, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin; Institut für deutsche Kultur und Geschichte Südosteuropas (München); European Network Remembrance and Solidarity; paper title: “Dealing with the Secret Police Files in Post-Communist Romania;” <http://hsozkult.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/tagungsberichte/id=6037&view=pdf>
- 2014 – International history congress “Pensar con la Historia desde el Siglo XXI;” Panel: “Historia del comunismo: Nuevas tendencias;” organized by Asociacion de Historia Contemporanea, Madrid, 17–19 September 2014; paper title: “Cold War, Political Violence, and Strategic Security: Researching the Secret Police Files in East-Central Europe;” http://www.ahistcon.org/PDF/congresos/madrid/Triptico_Congreso_Madrid2013.pdf
- 2014 – Presentation to the Monday Seminar at the Imre Kertész Kolleg Jena; presentation title: „The 1989 Revolutions in East-Central Europe: An Explanatory Model;” 14 July 2014; <http://www.imre-kertesz-kolleg.uni-jena.de/index.php?id=554>
- 2014 – International conference “State Repression in Socialist Central and Eastern Europe: Comparative Approaches,” co-organized by the Imre Kertész Kolleg Jena and University of Warsaw; Warsaw, 12–13 June 2014; paper title: “State against the Citizens and Citizens against the State: State Repression and Insurgent Violence in Communist Romania, 1945–89;” http://www.imre-kertesz-kolleg.uni-jena.de/fileadmin/editorial/activities/conference_and_workshops/Programme_JT_2014.pdf;
- 2013 – International workshop “Debate on the Practice of Remembrance,” 21 November 2013, Palace of Culture and Science, Warsaw, organizer: European Network Remembrance and Solidarity (ENRS); paper title: “Coming to Terms with the Communist Past in Post-1989 Romania;” <http://neweasterneurope.eu/2013/11/18/a-debate-on-the-practice-of-remembrance/>

- 2013 – Annual Convention of the International Studies Association (ISA), 3–6 April 2013, San Francisco, participant to Panel WA 25 “Intelligence Archives Worldwide: The Consequences of Wider Access to Intelligence Records around the World;” paper title: “Dealing with the Secret Police Files in East-Central Europe: Intra-regional Diffusion of the German Model;” https://www.isanet.org/Portals/0/Media/Conferences/San-Francisco2013/SanFrancisco2013_Program.pdf
- 2012 – International conference “Regions of Memory: A Comparative Perspective on Eastern Europe,” Warsaw, 26–28 November 2012, organizers: European Network Remembrance and Solidarity, Institute of Sociology of the University of Warsaw; paper title: “Bloody Events and Contradictory Truths: The Revolutions of 1989 and the ‘Rashomon Effect;””
<http://www.enrs.eu/docs/genealogies/REGIONS-OF-MEMORY-PROGRAM.pdf>
- 2012 – Lecture held at the European Studies Centre, St. Antony’s College, University of Oxford, entitled “Romania and Europe, West and East, 1967–1981” on 23 February 2012;
<https://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/events/romania-and-europe-west-and-east-1967-1981>
- 2012 – Annual Convention of the Modern Language Association of America (MLA), Seattle, 5–8 January 2012; participant to Session 98: Roundtable “Romania’s Intellectuals and Ceaușescu’s Secret Police” organized by the Discussion Group on Romanian Studies; https://apps.mla.org/conv_listings_detail?prog_id=98&year=2012
- 2011 – International conference “Genealogies of Memory in Central and Eastern Europe: Theories and Methods,” Warsaw, 23–25 November 2011, organizers: European Network Remembrance and Solidarity, Institute of Sociology of the University of Warsaw, University of Social Sciences and Humanities (Warsaw), Free University of Berlin; paper title (co-authored with Cristina Petrescu): “Cultural Memory in the Making: Communism Remembered in Post-1989 Romania;” http://www.enrs.eu/docs/genealogies/Genealogies-of-Memory_Programme_2011.pdf
- 2011 – International conference “From the Iron Curtain to the Schengen Area: Bordering Communist and Post-communist Europe”, Vienna, 28–30 septembrie 2011, organized by the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for European History and Public Spheres (LBI-EHP); Institute for Human Sciences (IWM); Historical Commission of the Austrian Academy of Sciences; discussant to Panel V, “Economic and Consumerist Aspects of Borders;” <http://hsozkult.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/tagungsberichte/id=4005>
- 2010 – International conference “Die Securitate in Siebenbürgen,” Jena, 24–26 September 2010, organizers: Arbeitskreis für Siebenbürgische Landeskunde and Institut für deutsche Kultur und Geschichte Südosteuropas an der Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München and Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena; the conference paper was published as “The Resistance that Wasn’t: Romanian Intellectuals, the Securitate, and the ‘Resistance through Culture,’” in Joachim von Puttkamer, Stefan Sienerth and Ulrich A. Wien, eds., *Die Securitate in Siebenbürgen* (Cologne: Böhlau Verlag, 2014), pp. 11–35.
- 2010 – The Second International Conference of Institutions on Historical Memory (II Encuentro Internacional de Centros de Memoria Histórica), Universidad de Salamanca, Spain, 26–28 April 2010; paper title: “The Politics of Memory in Post-1989 Romania: On the Uses and Misuses of the Securitate Files in Dealing with the Communist Past;” <https://www.mecd.gob.es/cultura-mecd/dms/mecd/cultura-mecd/areas-cultura/principal/novedades/archivos/2010/ii-encuentro-internacional-de-centros-de-memoria-historica/dipticoencuentro.pdf>

- 2008 – International conference “The Impact of 1989 on Europe: Structural Integration but Ideational Divergence?” Florence, 6–8 November 2008, organized by the European University Institute Florence and Research Network 1989; the electronic version of the conference paper was published as “1989 as a Return to Europe: On Revolution, Reform and Reconciliation with a Traumatic Past,” Social Science Open Access Repository (SSOAR); <http://www.ssoar.info/ssoar/handle/document/2729>; the Polish version was published as “Rok 1989 jako powrót do Europy. O rewolucji, reformie i pojednaniu z traumatyczną przeszłością,” in Krzysztof Brzechczyn, ed., *Interpretacje upadku komunizmu w Polsce i w Europie Środkowo-Wschodniej* (Poznań: Instytut Pamięci Narodowej, 2011), pp. 15–36.
- 2008 – International conference “The ‘Prague Spring’ and the Warsaw Pact Invasion of Czechoslovakia, 1968,” University of Ottawa, 9–10 October 2008; the conference paper was published as „Legitimacy, Nation-Building and Closure: Meanings and Consequences of the Romanian August of 1968,” in M. Mark Stolarik, ed., *The Prague Spring and the Warsaw Pact Invasion of Czechoslovakia, 1968: Forty Years Later* (Mundelein, IL: Bolchazy-Carducci Publishers, 2010), pp. 237–259.
- 2008 – International conference “Der Staatssozialismus und die ‘Transnationalen Zwischenräume,’ 1956–1989,” Florence, 18–21 September 2008, organized at the European University Institute Florence; moderator and discussant to Panel 3, “Orte/Alltag;” <http://hsozkult.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/tagungsberichte/id=2284>
- 2008 – International workshop “Nationalism and Communism,” University of Amsterdam, 25–26 April 2008, the conference paper was published as “Building the Nation, Instrumentalizing Nationalism: Revisiting Romanian National-Communism, 1956–1989,” *Nationalities Papers*, Vol. 37, No. 4 (July 2009), pp. 523–544.
- 2007 - International conference “Stalinism Revisited: The Establishment of Communist Regimes in East-Central Europe and the Dynamics of the Soviet Bloc,” Washington DC, 29–30 November 2007, organized by the Woodrow Wilson Center for Scholars and the Romanian Cultural Institute; the conference paper was published as “Community-Building and Identity Politics in Gheorghiu-Dej’s Romania, 1956–64,” in Vladimir Tismăneanu, ed., *Stalinism Revisited: The Establishment of Communist Regimes in East-Central Europe* (Budapest: Central European University Press, 2009), pp. 401–422.
- 2007 – International workshop “Lustration and Consolidation of Democracy and the Rule of Law in Central and Eastern Europe,” Zagreb, 24 May 2007; the conference paper was published as “Dilemmas of Transitional Justice in Post-1989 Romania,” in Vladimira Dvorakova and Anđelko Milardović, eds., *Lustration and Consolidation of Democracy and the Rule of Law in Central and Eastern Europe* (Zagreb: Political Science Research Center, 2007), pp. 127–151.
- 2007 – International conference “European Cold War Cultures? Societies, Media, and Cold War Experiences in East and West (1947-1990)” 26–28 April 2007, Potsdam, organized by the Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung (ZZF) Potsdam; paper title: “Episodes of Cold War Propaganda Warfare: International Media and the Demise of Communism in East-Central Europe;” <http://hsozkult.geschichte.hu-berlin.de/termine/id=7180>
- 2006 – International conference “Elites and Social Change: The Socialist and Post-Socialist Experience,” Friedrich-Schiller-Universität Jena, 24–25 November 2006; the conference paper was published as “The Structuring of Opposition Elites in Post-1989 Romania: ‘Historical’ Parties, Public Intellectuals, and Anti-Communism,” in Heinrich Best, Ronald Gebauer and Axel Salheiser, eds., *Elites and Social Change: The Socialist and Post-Socialist Experience* (Hamburg: Krämer Verlag, 2009), pp. 99–114.

- 2006 – International conference “The 1956 Hungarian Revolution and the Soviet Bloc Countries: Reactions and Repercussions,” 22–23 September 2006, Budapest, organized by the Institute for the History of the 1956 Hungarian Revolution; the conference paper was published as “Fifty-six as an identity-shaping experience: The case of the Romanian communists,” in János M. Rainer and Katalin Somlai, eds., *The 1956 Hungarian Revolution and the Soviet Bloc Countries: Reactions and Repercussions* (Budapest: Institute for the History of the 1956 Hungarian Revolution, 2007), pp. 48–68.
- 2006 – International conference “The Solace of History in Coming to Terms with Dictatorial Pasts: Southern and Eastern Europe Compared,” Warsaw/Kazimierz Dolny, 8–11 June 2006, organized by GWZO Leipzig and the Willy Brandt Center, University of Wrocław; the conference paper, co-authored with Cristina Petrescu, was published as C. Petrescu and D. Petrescu, “The Pitești Syndrome: A Romanian Vergangenheitsbewältigung?” in Stefan Troebst, ed., *Postdiktatorische Geschichtskulturen im Süden und Osten Europas: Bestandsaufnahme und Forschungsperspektiven* (Göttingen: Wallstein Verlag, 2010), pp. 502–618.
- 2005 – Organizer of, and participant to, the international conference “Fascism and Communism: Histories and Memories Compared,” 9–10 December 2005; organized within the framework of the CULTURE 2000 European Project “History After the Fall: The Indeterminacy of the Short Twentieth Century,” coordinated by the Open Society Archives (OSA); paper title: “The New Nation Syndrome: Radical-identity Politics in Romania;” <http://w3.osaarchivum.org/updates/2004/projects/culture2000/index.html>
- 2005 – International conference “Europa im Ostblock. Vorstellungswelten und Kommunikationsräume im Wandel,” Potsdam, 3–5 November 2005, organized by Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung (ZZF) Potsdam; the conference paper was published as “Conflicting Perceptions of (Western) Europe: The Case of Communist Romania, 1958–1989,” in José M. Faraldo, Paulina Gulińska-Jurgiel and Christian Domnitz, eds., *Europa im Ostblock: Vorstellungen und Diskurse, 1945–1991* (Cologne: Böhlau Verlag, 2008), pp. 199–220.
- 2004 – International conference “Thinking Europe: Towards a Europeanization of Contemporary Histories,” Berlin/Potsdam, 6–8 May 2004, organized by Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung (ZZF) and the European Network EURHIST XX; the conference paper was published as “Communist Legacies in the ‘New Europe:’ History, Ethnicity, and the Creation of a ‘Socialist’ Nation in Romania, 1945–1989,” in Konrad H. Jarausch and Thomas Lindenberger, eds., *Conflicted Memories. Europeanizing Contemporary Histories* (New York: Berghahn Books, 2007), pp. 37–54.
- 2004 – Participant to the 9th Annual Convention of the Association for the Study of Nationalities – ASN, Columbia University, New York, 15–17 April 2004; discussant to Panel CE4, “History, Memory and Identity in East-Central Europe: The Case of Post-1989 Romania;” http://nationalities.org/uploads/documents/ASN_2004_Final_Program.pdf
- 2003 – International conference “Arbeiter im Staatssozialismus - Ideologischer Anspruch und soziale Wirklichkeit. Die DDR im ostmitteleuropäischen Vergleich,” Potsdam, 25–27 September 2003, organized by Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung (ZZF) Potsdam and Institut für soziale Bewegungen (ISB), Ruhr-Universität Bochum; the conference paper was published as “Workers and Peasant-Workers in a Working-Class ‘Paradise:’ Patterns of Working-Class Protest in Communist Romania,” in Peter Hübner, Christoph Kleßmann and Klaus Tenfelde, eds., *Arbeiter im Staatssozialismus. Ideologischer Anspruch und Soziale Wirklichkeit* (Cologne: Böhlau Verlag, 2005), pp. 119–140.

- 2001 – International conference “Opposition und Dissidenz in den staatssozialistischen Ländern Mittel- und Osteuropas aus vergleichender Perspektive,” Frankfurt/Oder, 2–4 November 2001, organized by Europa-Universität Viadrina Frankfurt (Oder); paper title: “International Media and the Collapse of Communism in Hungary and Romania: Comparative Perspectives;” published as “Die internationalen Medien und der Zusammenbruch des Kommunismus in Ungarn und Rumänien: Eine vergleichende Analyse,” in Detlef Pollack and Jan Wielgohs, eds., *Akteure oder Profiteure? Die demokratische Opposition in den ostmitteleuropäischen Regimeumbrüchen 1989* (Wiesbaden: VS Verlag für Sozialwissenschaften, 2010), pp. 151–165.
- 1999 – International conference “Nation-Building, Regionalism and Democracy: Comparative Perspectives on Issues of Nationalism in Romania and Hungary,” Budapest, 14–15 December 1999; organized by the Central European University (CEU), Civic Education Project and Teleki László Institute; the conference paper was published as “Can Democracy Work in Southeastern Europe? Ethnic Homogeneity vs. Democratic Consolidation in Post-Communist Romania,” in Balazs Trencsenyi et al., eds., *Nation-Building and Contested Identities: Romanian & Hungarian Case Studies* (Budapest: Regio Books, 2001), pp. 267–291.
- 1998 – International conference “The Garden and the Workshop: Disseminating Cultural History in East-Central Europe – In memoriam Péter Hanák,” organized by Europa Institut Budapest and Central European University (CEU), 26–27 March 1998, the conference paper was published as “Reshaping Eastern Europe: Romania and the Europe of the ‘Rejected,’” in Marius Turda, ed., *The Garden and the Workshop: Disseminating Cultural History in East-Central Europe*, (Budapest: Central European University & Europa Institut, 1999), pp. 268–280.