

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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WORK EXPERIENCE

12/2015-
08/2019;
08/2020 -
present

Counsellor for International Relations

Ministry of National Education – General Directorate for International Relations and European Affairs

Responsibilities during **Romania's Presidency to the EU Council** (January – June 2019):

- Main responsible for liaising with SNSPA & Asia-Europe Foundation in organising **7th ASEM Rectors' Conference and Student's Forum** back to back with **7th ASEM Meeting of Ministers of Education** (13-17 May 2019, Palace of Parliament) – drafting speeches, declarations, press releases and statements, agendas for the reunions; elaborating administrative documents, liaising with financial department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, SPP, Palace of Parliament regarding financial, administrative and logistical details, communicating with participants, foreign and Romanian embassies; preparing narrative, financial and evaluation reports, analysing disbursement documents;
- Support in organising the **7th China-CEEC Education Policy Dialogue** of the high representatives of the Ministries of Education, as well as the **6th Meeting of the China-CEEC Higher Education Institutions Consortium**, in the framework of 16+1 China-Central and Eastern Europe Cooperation (events organised in cooperation with West University of Timisoara) – liaising on administrative and logistical aspects of the conference with the co-organisers, as well as with Romanian and foreign embassies, preparing narrative reports.
- For other conferences and events: proofreading declarations, speeches, and press releases; following up on administrative and logistical details.

General responsibilities:

- Desk officer for various European and Eurasian states (DE, HU, BG, HR, RS, BA, TR, BY, UA, RU, AZ, GE, KZ, KG, TJ, UZ, TM) and Sub-Saharan African countries with which Romania has a bilateral cooperation in the field of education;
- Evaluating applications and elaborating administrative paperwork of Romanian (ethnics and diaspora) and foreign applicants for scholarships offered by the Romanian government and for self-paying study places, as well as evaluating and drafting documents for hiring foreign school teachers and university professors in Romania.
- Keeping in contact with Romanian and foreign embassies and consulates regarding the cooperation in the field of education, professional training and scientific research;
- Elaborating bilateral documents (treaties, agreements, protocols, memoranda of understanding) for cooperation in the field of education;
- Representing Romania in international organization regarding the developments in the field of education (UNESCO, BSEC, OSCE, CEEPUS, ASEM, EU-Central Asia experts and ministerial meetings).

05/2015-
12/2015

Executive Director

United Youth Association, NGO Bucharest (Romania)

- Managing the aspects related to the projects implemented by ATU;
- Managing the team in implementing various SOP HRD projects;
- Elaborating documents for the well functioning of the Association;
- Taking part in meetings as a spokesperson for ATU.

04/2015-
08/2015

Assistant Manager

UPA Solutions S.R.L., Consultancy in EU funded projects, Bucharest (Romania)

- Supporting the activity of the General Manager in relation with the clients and with the partners;
- Elaborating documents for European funded projects;
- Offering phone counseling for persons pertaining to vulnerable categories;
- Creating a database of local companies.

03/2015-04/2015

Expert on sustainability and process development

Asociația Națională a Birourilor de Consiliere a Cetățenilor [National Association of Offices for Citizens' Counselling (ANBCC), NGO, Bucharest (Romania)]

- Monitoring the activity on a European funded project (social economy);
- Organizing presentations in the development regions of Romania regarding the social economy, the project's aim and counseling sessions;
- Elaborating documents for funding's report;
- Supporting the management team in relation with the national network.

11/2012-12/2014

Intern, Project assistant, Communication assistant (volunteering and internships)

Romanian Parliament - Chamber of Deputies (10-12/2014)

E-Civis Association (08-12/2014)

The German Marshall Fund of the United States – Black Sea Trust (05-10/2014)

Inițiativa Tinerilor pentru Modernizarea României [Youth Initiative for Romania's Modernisation], NGO (04-12/2014)

European Institute of Romania – Communication and Marketing Office (05-06; 10-12/2013)

Romanian Government – Prime-Minister Chancellery - Department for Programs and Projects with International Funding (07-09/2013)

Volunteers for Ideas and Projects Romania (2012-2013)

Societate și Cultură (*societatesicultura.ro*) (2013-2019)

- Writing, revising and editing Romanian and English articles for EIR's Newsletter and academic journal (Romanian Journal of European Affairs);
- Organising events (Bucharest Forum Energy 2014, Bucharest Forum 2014, Romania 2039 – 50 years from the Romanian Revolution, various EIR conferences);
- Press review, writing promotion materials (brochures, articles), press interviews (Adevărul Live, written interviews);
- Elaborating administrative documents and legislative proposals;
- Elaborating databases and monitoring new project application (member of project implementation teams, as well as in evaluation teams);
- Editing articles for aprox. 20 contributors to the website *societatesicultura.ro*, webpage management, PR and publication of various articles and interviews.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

09/2019 –
present

OSCE Academy in Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic

Erasmus+ student & Associate Research Fellow

Research topic: *Exploring the relation between European Union and Central Asia in the context of increased regional interdependencies*

10/2017-present

National University of Political Science and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania

PhD Candidate – supervisor Prof. Dr. Adrian Pop

Teaching assistant. 2017-2018 Courses taught: Introduction to International Relations and Security Studies.

Thesis: *Bilateral relations of Romania with Central Asian countries in the European context: the perspectives of Niche Diplomacy.*

- 10/2015-07/2017 National University of Political Science and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania
M.A. Conflict Analysis and Resolution – Department of International Relations and European Integration
Thesis: *Educational policy for Romanian communities in Serbia – between the normative framework and the reality on the field* (supervisor Assoc. Prof. Dr. Miruna Butnaru-Troncotă)
- 10/2012–07/2015 National University of Political Science and Public Administration, Bucharest, Romania
B.A. International Relations and European Studies – Faculty of Political Sciences
Thesis: *Comparative analysis of the causes of the conflicts in Georgia and Ukraine* (supervisor Prof. Dr. Liliana Popescu)

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue	Romanian				
Foreign languages	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Conversation	Oral speech	
English	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
	<i>Cambridge Certificate In Advanced English (CAE) Level C1</i>				
French	B2	B2	B2	B2	B2
	<i>Français professionnel Diplomatie & relations internationales B1</i>				
Russian	A2	A2	A2	A2	A2
Portuguese	A1	A1	A1	A1	A1

Communication skills

- Ability to work in teams, strengthened during the big events organised in the framework of my previous job;
- Good working skills in a multicultural environment, enhanced during my mobility abroad, as well as through the organisation of and participation in international conferences;
- Diplomatic communication skills, developed and practiced during the international diplomatic events I attended as Romania’s representative on education policy;
- Resilience and ability to work under short deadlines and high amount of stress.

Organizational and managerial skills

- Team management and project, strengthened during the organisation of international events, as well as in daily activities structured around projects;
- Long-term planning and strategizing skills, developed through my research activities and in the workplaces.

IT Skills

MS Office; Easygrants database (trained and tested during the internship at GMF-BST Bucharest Office.

RESEARCH ACTIVITY

Published papers, peer-reviewed

- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, *forthcoming* (accepted with minor revisions), "Is Romania a middle power? A neoclassical realist interpretation of post-Communist Romania's foreign policy", in *Studia Politica: Romanian Political Science Review*,
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, *in peer-review at the publishing house*, "The European Union – Central Asia Partnership: More Economy, Less Democracy" in *Central Asia-Europe Relations: Linking Asia with Europe in times of expansions*, editors Anja Mihr, Kashif Hasan Khan, Palgrave Macmillan.
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, April 2020, "Drawing Lessons of Past Cooperation between EU and Central Asia for the Implementation of 2019 Strategy", OSCE Academy Policy Brief, Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic, available at: http://www.osce-academy.net/upload/file/PB_58.pdf;
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, November 2019, Review of Alexander Cooley and John Heathershaw, "Dictators Without Borders: Power and Money in Central Asia", New Haven, CT: Yale University Press, 2017, 312 pp in *Journal of Soviet and Post-Soviet Politics and Society*, vol. 5, no. 3;
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, 2018, "European Union and Central Asia—past directions and future perspectives", in *CES Working Papers*, vol. 10, no. 3, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iasi, Romania;
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, 2017, "Europeanisation in Bilateral Relations: The Cases of Minority Rights Policies in Eastern Europe in the Context of Enlargement Policy", in *EuroTimes*, vol. 22, Oradea University Press;
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, 2015, "Conflictul din Transnistria: între soluții și inconsecvențe" ["Transnistrian conflict: between solutions and inconsistencies"], in *Perspective Politice [Political Perspectives]*, vol. 8, no. 1;
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, 2014, „Europeanizarea politicii de concurență în România” [“Europeanisation of the Competition Policy in Romania”], in *Perspective Politice [Political Perspectives]*, vol. 7, no. 2.

Op-eds & other non-academic papers:

- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, April 2021, Review of Gergana Dimova, "Democracy beyond elections. Government accountability in the media age", London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2020, XVII + 339 pp, index, bibliography (e-book), Online ISBN 978-3-030-25294-6 in *British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies (BASEES) April Newsletter*.
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, January 16, 2021, "Should Europe Worry About Kyrgyzstan?", in *The Diplomat*, available at: <https://thediplomat.com/2021/01/should-europe-worry-about-kyrgyzstan/>;
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, December 16, 2020, "Does It Matter That the New OSCE High Commissioner for National Minorities Is From Kazakhstan?", in *The Diplomat*, available at: <https://thediplomat.com/2020/12/does-it-matter-that-the-new-osce-high-commissioner-for-national-minorities-is-from-kazakhstan/>;
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, August 31, 2020, "Asia Centrală ca nișă diplomatică pentru politica externă a României în vremuri de Covid-19" ["Central Asia as a diplomatic niche for Romania's foreign policy in times of Covid-19"], in *Contributors.ro*, available at: <https://www.contributors.ro/asia-centrala-ca-nisa-diplomatica-pentru-politica-externa-a-romaniei-in-vremuri-de-covid-19/>;
- Angheliescu, Ana-Maria, April 17, 2018, "Three Take-Outs from the Central Asian Presidential Meeting", in *DAVA Strategic Analysis*, available at: <https://davastrat.org/2018/04/17/three-take-outs-from-the-central-Asian-presidential-meeting/>.

Papers presented at national and international conferences

- *The Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on the EU-Central Asia Cooperation*, Virtual Alumni Conference "The COVID-19 Crisis and its Impact on Post-Soviet Central Asia", organized by the OSCE Academy in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, November 18-20, available at: <https://youtu.be/4EWP5LGLz5k?t=3958>;
- *The European Union – Central Asia Partnership: More Economy, Less Democracy*, 2nd International Conference on Central Asia (ICCA) 2020 titled "Between Europe and Asia: Emerging Central Asia and its Multi-Faceted Role in the Era of Connectivity", co-organized by the OSCE Academy in Bishkek and Silk Road Analytical and Research Center of the Ala-Too University in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan, October 2-3, 2020;
- *Towards the Implementation of the 2019 European Union's Strategy for Central Asia*, online Public Lecture, based on the Policy Brief elaborated for OSCE Academy in Bishkek, 28 April 2020, available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WZb7QMokkpc>.
- *In search of a common Central Asian identity*, International Conference of the Doctoral School of History, Faculty of History, University of Bucharest, 8 – 9 June 2018;
- *European Union and Central Asia – past directions and future perspectives*, EURINT Conference „Reflecting on Europe's (dis)order: scenarios for the EU's future”, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iasi, Romania 18 – 19 May 2018;
- *Europeanisation in bilateral relations: the cases of minority rights policies in Eastern Europe in the context of enlargement policy*, International Conference „Interconnectedness and EU foreign-policy making”, National University of Political Science and Public Administration (SNSPA) Bucharest, 9-10 May 2017;
- *Analiza mesajelor reprezentanțelor diplomatice ale Turciei în România în perioada 15 iulie – 18 decembrie 2016 [Analysis of the messages of the Turkish diplomatic representations in Romania between 15th July and 18th December 2016]*, Annual Student Conference National University of Political Science and Public Administration (SNSPA) Bucharest, 4th Edition, 7-8 April 2017;

Curriculum Vitae

- *Drepturile Minorităților Naționale – Între Securitate Politică și Securitate Societală. Cazul Comunităților Românești din Serbia [National minorities rights – between political security and societal security. The case of the Romanian communities in Serbia], International Session of Student Scientific Communications „SENTENȚIA” at University „Constantin Brâncuși” of Târgu-Jiu, Romania, 8-10 December 2016;*
- *Modele de integrare regională: Uniunea Europeană și MERCOSUR [Models of regional integration: European Union and MERCOSUR], Annual Student Conference „Constant” of University „Nicolae Titulescu” of Bucharest, Romania, 5th Edition, 24-25 April 2015;*
- *Uniunea Europeană – factor de schimbare instituțională [European Union – factor of institutional change], Annual Student Conference National University of Political Science and Public Administration (SNSPA) Bucharest, 1st Edition, 14-15 March 2014.*