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SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

- High capacity to **analyze and summarize information**;
- Resilience and ability to work under short deadlines and high amount of stress;
- The ability to perform **comprehensive analyzes/reports** in the economic, **political** and **social** fields with relevance in the academic and/or business sectors;
- Experience in organizing international events in the **field of international relations**;
- Work experience in **multicultural environments**;
- Experience in assisting domestic and/or international customers/partners;
- Ability to **work in teams**.



PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Director of the projects Department, [UN Youth, Bucharest Branch](#)** - October 2016-May 2017

- organization and administration of the department for the implementation of projects in the field of international relations, in line with the values of the United Nations;

- during my term of office I organized the series of events “A Gance on Diplomacy”, which aimed to build bridges of dialog between the student environment in Romania and the representatives of the diplomatic environment, including foreign diplomatic missions (e.g. Canada, etc.).

- **Internship program at the [German Marshall Fund of the United States \(GMF\)](#)**, August 2016-December 2016

- assisting GMF staff in Black Sea trust for Regional Cooperation programs and funding procedures, keeping up-to-date database information and assisting international partners;

- carrying out daily press reviews on relevant issues specific to Eastern Europe, the Balkans and the Russian Federation;

- assistance during the organization of events such as **Bucharest Forum**, 2016 edition, organized by **Aspen Romania Institute** in partnership with the German Marshall Fund of the United States;

- participation in the process of organizing the international conference *“Moldova-too small to fail?”* and the debate *“Voice of the Eastern Fank – post-Warsaw Summit Perspectives”*.

- **Internship program at the [Smartlink Communication](#)** – January 2017-March 2017

- **Internship program at the [Strategikon](#)** – November 2016-February 2017
 - support for research in areas such as european affairs, international security, government affairs, etc.;
 - document translation.

- **“Researcher-Entrepreneur on Labour Market in the Fields of Intelligent Specialization (CERT-ANTREP)”**, implemented by the National University of Political Studies and Public Administration in partnership with the Romanian Chamber of Commerce and industry and the Executive Unit for Financing Higher Education, Research, Development and Innovation – November 2020-present

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

- **Doctoral student**, Political Science (2017-present), [National University of Political Studies and Public Administration](#);

Thesis title: Russian Federation and Turkey, between cooperation and conflict in the Black Sea region;

- **M.A. Diplomacy and Internațional Negotiation** (2015-2017), [National University of Political Studies and Public Administration](#);

- **B.A. Internatonal Relations and European Studies** (2012-2015), [“Petru Maior” University of Târgu Mureș](#);

- **B.A. History** (2012-2015), [“Petru Maior” University of Târgu Mureș](#).

Other forms of training:

- **NATO Youth Academy 2**, 02-07 November 2020, organized by ESCU Association, in partnership with NATO's **Public Diplomacy Division**;

- **Summer School On Diplomacy 2020**, 28 September-02 October 2020, event organized by **UN Youth Association of Romania**;

- **Kosovo la International Summer University**, 3-14 July 2017, Academic event organized by the **University of Prishtina**;

- **Aspen Junior Seminar 5th Edition**, leadership program, December 2016

- [Bucharest International Student Model United Nations \(BISMUN\)](#), with the debated theme: *“Unity against terrorism – achieving global consensus”*, delegate in the Economic and Social Council, 23-28 March 2016;
- [Global Research Summer School](#), with the theme *“International cooperation and conflict resolution”*, organized by Voluntari pentru idei și proiecte, June 2016;
- *“Geopolitics International Summer School”*, 12th edition, 11-15 July 2016, organized by Asociația de Geopolitică „Ion Conea”;
- *“Diplomacy, Geopolitics and the new Europe”*, course organized by the Centrul de Studii Aplicate, 2014;
- *“Geopolitics International Summer School 2013”*, with the theme *“Middle East: Challenges and Certitudes”* organized by the [Asociația de Geopolitică „Ion Conea”](#).

PUBLICATIONS

- *“Weakening transatlantic links? Re-assessing Turkey-NATO relations in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic”* (the article will be published by L'Europe Unie international journal);
- *“Turkey between NATO and Kremlin. The impact of Russian-Turkish cooperation on the relationship between Ankara and NATO”* (the article will be published by L'Europe Unie international journal);
- *“Regional allies or competitors? Romania-Turkey relations dynamics after the 2008 NATO Summit in Bucharest till present”* (the article will be published Middle East Technical University);
- *“Russian Federation-Turkey military cooperation. The potential of the S-400 Triumph affair to derail the Euro-Atlantic path of Turkey”*, published in Geopolitics Journal, nr. 86 (1/2021) „Geopolitics and (In)Security, Pandemics and Security”;
- *“The strategic implications of the Nord Stream 2 and Turkstream 2 pipelines on the energy security of the European Union and Ukraine”* (in Maria Costea și Simion Costea, *Diplomație și actori geopolitici în epoca interdependenței complexe*, Napoca Star, Cluj-Napoca, 2021, pp. 160-175);
- *“The OSINT implications in the intelligence process. The relevance of open sources in a globalized world”*, published in the collective journal *“Geo-intelligence and security in a global environment”* during *“Geopolitics International Summer School”*, 12th edition, 11-15 July 2016, organized by Asociația de Geopolitică „Ion Conea”;

- „*The ambivalence of Montenegro's foreign policy after independence. The Euro-Atlantic involvement as a factor for stability in the Western Balkans*”, published in “*Montenegro – geopolitics and security*”, Political Geography, Geopolitics and Geo-strategy Journal, No 67 (4/2016).

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

- 18 December 2020 – international conference “**Turkey and the Balkans: Perspectives on the processes of europeanisation and de-europeanisation**”, organized by **London Metropolitan University**;

- 02-03 July 2021 – **Eurint 2021 International Conference**, organized by the **Centre for European Studies**, “Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University of Iasi, Romania;

- 19 November 2020 – **International Conference on Management Economics and Accounting**, organized by „1 Decembrie 1918” University of Alba Iulia, Romania;

- 16 June 2021 – **Virtual Academic Conference**, organized by the **International Academic Institute**.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- **Volunteer** – international conference “*The Legimization of External intervoention in the Former Soviet space*”, organized by [The National University of Political Studies and Public Administration](#) (2016);

- **Volunteer** – “**Bucharest Security Conference**”, organized by [The National University of Political Studies and Public Administration](#) (2016).

LANGUAGE SKILLS

ROMANIAN – Nativ

ENGLISH – Experienced

FRENCH – Independent

SPANISH – Elementary