

## WORK EXPERIENCE

01/12/2016 - CURRENT

**ADVISER - PRESIDENTIAL ADMINISTRATION OF ROMANIA** 

- Adviser to the State Counselor for Education and Research within the Office of the Romanian President (Presidential Administration)
- content and administrative work on several portofolios (including technical education, education demographics, European affairs, early childhood education, social dimension, etc.)
- involved in organizing the consultation process for the development of a long-term strategy for Romanian education Bucharest, Romania

01/05/2015 - 31/05/2018

**POLICY RESEARCH ASSISTANT/CONTENT COORDINATOR –** UEFISCDI - EXECUTIVE AGENCY FOR HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION FUNDING

- research support on the impact of public policies on equity in Romanian higher education
- processing and centralizing quantitative data linked to higher education system performance and outputs
- writing and contributing to publications mapping trends in mobility, equity and civil society involvement in educational policies, including an assessment of the LLP programme (2007-2013) implementation in Romania
- content coordination for project aimed at assessing the Europenization of mobility, access and graduate tracking policies
- project writing and application submission
- speaking at events on behalf of UEFISCDI on various issues

Bucharest, Romania

04/01/2015 - CURRENT

EXPERT - CPE - CENTRUL PENTRU POLITICI EDUCAȚIONALE/CENTRE FOR EDUCAȚION POLICIES

- data research for briefing notes and publications
- speaking on behalf of the organization in public events
- contribution to publication writing for external contractors

Bucharest, Romania

01/01/2011 - 01/10/2013

### **HEAD OF UNIVERSITY RELATIONS - ADECCO HUMAN RESOURCES ROMANIA**

- responsible for communication and contact with partner universities
- mapping of qualification frameworks for purposes of student recruitment for internships and employment
- trainer for recruited interns
- event organizing
- mapping and publication of internship programme results for company and external use

Bucharest/Timisoara, Romania

01/07/2010 - 30/06/2011

# **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER - EUROPEAN STUDENTS' UNION**

- executive management of organization activities
- voting in the Executive Committee on all management issues
- external representation and speaker on content themes such as lifelong learning, qualification frameworks and student centred learning, EU-USA tuning process, OECD AHELO stakeholder board, BFUG, etc.
- coordination of the Academic Affairs Committee
- coordination of the organization of the Leuven European Student Convention
- coordination of the T4SCL project

C8.09 2013



01/07/2008 - 30/06/2009

#### PRESIDENT - TIMISOARA UNIVERSITY STUDENT ORGANIZATION (OSUT)

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- overall coordination of organizational activities
- representation of students in university structures and national student representation structures
- coordination of several projects on areas such as education, student cultural life and student social rights
- lead role in April 2009 student protests and follow-up negotiations

Timisoara, Romania

## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

01/10/2017 - CURRENT - Expozitiei 30, Bucharest, Romania **DOCTORATE** - National University of Political Studies and Public Administration (SNSPA)

- research on migrant integration
- · mix of interviews and data collection as well as theoretical research

## Field(s) of study

Social sciences, journalism and information: Political sciences and civics

01/10/2013 – 31/08/2015 – London/Bilbao/Melbourne, United Kingdom

MASTER OF ARTS IN LIFELONG LEARNING (ERASMUS MUNDUS DOUBLE DEGREE) – University College of London/
Deusto University of Bilbao/Melbourne University

- theories of education, with a focus on lifelong learning
- use of basic qualitative and quantitative research methods
- use of comparative methods in approaching trans-national education research
- education management, including instruments related to the Bologna Process (such as credits)

**EOF level 7** 

01/10/2006 – 30/06/2012 – Timisoara, Romania

BACHELOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE – West University of Timisoara

- political ideologies and schools of thought
- statistics and use of basic quantitative research
- political sociology

EOF level 6

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): ROMANIAN

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken Interaction	
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
SPANISH	B2	C1	B2	B2	B2

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user



#### **PUBLICATIONS**

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Note: publications are hyperlinked in the titles below.

Bologna at the Finish Line: An Account of Ten Years of European Higher Education Reform.

A Blattler, L Deca, R Santa et al. ESU: Brussels 2010.

Student centered learning: An insight into theory and practice

A Attard, E Di Iorio, K Geven, R Santa (2011). ESU: Bucharest 2011.

Bologna with Student Eyes.

A Pall, B Xhomaqi, D Bartolo, FM Galan-Palomares, F Kaiser, GK Charonis, R Santa et al

ESU: Brussels 2012.

Why Do Romanian Universities Fail to Internalize Quality Assurance?

K Geven, O Sârbu, R Santa, A Maricut, N Sabic. In A Curai, E Egron-Polak, L Deca and I Salmi, Higher Education Reforms in Romania. pp 43-61. Springer 2015.

Raport public anual - 2014 Starea finanțării învătământului superior și măsurile de opțimizare ce se impun. B

Murgescu, T Dobrescu, L Georgescu, V Petcu, R Santa et al. CNFIS. Bucuresti 2015.

In brief: Publication (Romanian language) focused on the evaluation of Romanian higher education funding, and trends that impact future funding needs. Responsible for the demographic forecasting chapter.

The evolution of public discourse on higher education financing in Europe; students' unions and European processes. GK Charonis and R Santa. In M Klemenčič, S Bergan and R Primožič (eds.). Student engagement in Europe: society, higher education and student governance, pp 235-249, COE, Strasbourg 2015,

Internationalizarea universitatilor din Romania prin programele Uniunii Europene pentru educatie si formare

ANPCDEFP, Bucuresti 2015.

In brief: Publication assessing the impact of the 2007-2013 Lifelong Learning Programme and its components (e.g. Erasmus, Comenius, etc.) on the internationalization of Romanian education, including with regard to the impact of individual mobility experiences and the evolution of mobility patterns. Lead author.

Directii strategice pentru dezvoltarea echității în învățământul superior, UEFISCDI, București 2015.

In brief: Compendium (Romanian language) focused on the assessment of the social dimension of Romanian education, including a collection of examples of good practice existing within universities or regional school districts in various parts of Romania. Includes a series of policy recommendations and considerations. Personal role included both content delivery and editing work,

The Future of Higher Education in an Age of Demographic Headwinds: The Impact of Demographic Decline on Higher Education Systems in Romania, Poland Russia Springer 2018

In brief; article detailing the impact of demographic changes on higher education systems in Central and Eastern Europe. The Role of Demographic Policies in the Internationalization of Romanian Higher Education, Springer 2020 In brief: the article maps recent changes in immigration legislation and their impact on international student mobility towards Romania. Interviews detail some of the gaps existing between policy formulation and actual implementation within universities.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

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## Workplace head of unit

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# ORGANISATIONAL SKILLS

# **Organisational skills**

- leadership and task management skills (experience includes 1 year organization coordination, 6 months publication coordination, under 3 years as head of department)

# COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

#### Communication and interpersonal skills

- good communication skills gained through positions such as head of organization, head of department, publication coordinator and member in several teams
- familiar with online and long-distance communication (Skype, Google chatrooms, company-specific backoffice platforms) due to working in transnational teams

# JOB-RELATED SKILLS

#### Job-related skills

- team management and coordination skills
- distance working skills, including the use of distance-management tools
- training, presentation and class teaching skills (trainer certificate, 2012)