

Curriculum vitae



I. Personal Information

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22.04.1983

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II. Education and training

Dates

October 2008 – September 2011

Title of qualification awarded

PhD in Economics & International Relations at “Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University of Iasi, Romania. I focused mainly on topics such as the EU economics, integration, neighbourhood policy, foreign affairs and security. Thesis title: "The Eastern Dimension of the European Neighbourhood Policy – a framework of cooperation and regional integration". Beneficiary of the „Doctoral Scholarships for a Sustainable Society” project, co-financed by the European Union through the European Social Fund, Sectoral Operational Programme Human Resources and Development 2007-2013.

Dates

August 2007 – September 2008

Title of qualification awarded

MA in Political Science, pathway: European Politics & Policy at the University of Manchester, UK. Graduation paper on “Locating Turkey in the transatlantic security bargain”. Relevant modules: “The EU as an International Actor”, “The Analysis of European Politics and Policy”, “Contemporary US Foreign Policy”, “Post-communist transitions”. I developed excellent knowledge of European and international affairs issues.

Dates

October 2006 – June 2009

Title of qualification awarded

MA in Project Management. Graduation paper on “Strategies for increasing the competitiveness of the companies in the context of globalization”. This MA has enhanced my skills in designing various financial projects.

Dates

October 2002 – June 2006

Title of qualification awarded

BA in International Economic Relations at “Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University of Iași, Romania. Relevant courses: European economy, political economy, economic doctrines, diplomatic and protocol practices. Graduation paper on “The organizational culture and business environment within the German companies”. BA developed my analytical skills and enhanced my knowledge in economic and political issues.

III. Work experience

- *September 2013 – to date*: Assistant professor (Lecturer) in International Relations, Centre for European Studies, Faculty of Law, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania. Lecturer in the EU foreign affairs & security issues. I teach "Introduction to IR", "EU Foreign Affairs", "EU Common Security and Defence Policy" (postgraduate level). I also carry out research on post-Soviet Eastern Europe, Russia, transatlantic relations, EU-NATO nexus); Coordinator of our first master programme taught in English, entitled [„MA in European Studies and the Eastern neighbourhood of the EU”](#).
 - *February 2023 – to date*: expert evaluator assisting the EU's Research Executive Agency (REA) in the evaluation process of the research projects under the Horizon Europe Programme (my current role is to assess the proposals submitted in response to the CL2 calls for proposals under the HORIZON-CL2-2023-DEMOCRACY-01 topic, specifically HORIZON-CL2-2023-DEMOCRACY-01-01: Detecting, analysing and countering foreign information manipulation and interference);
 - *September 2014 – September 2015*: Post-doc researcher and teaching staff at the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland, under the supervision of Prof. Dirk Lehmkuhl. Area of teaching & research: geopolitics of the EU-Russia shared neighbourhood. Holder of the [Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship](#);
 - *October 2012 – December 2012*: Guest Researcher at the U. S. George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany (Responsibilities: participating in the Programme in Advanced Security Studies and contributing to the following courses and research fields: *Southeast Europe and Euroatlantic Integration, United States, Russia and Europe/Eurasia: Competition or cooperation?, Negotiations in International Disputes and The European Union and International Security*; research, teaching on topic related to *Euroatlantic security and the EU's Eastern neighbourhood*). As recognition for the academic work undertaken at the Marshall Center I have received a certificate of excellence in research;
 - *April 2012 – March 2013*: Post-doctoral researcher, place of work: Romanian Academy of Science (research project: The EU as a model of "soft power" in its Eastern neighbourhood). Remuneration and work contract under the "The Knowledge Based Society Project – researches, debates, perspectives" research project. Beneficiary of the project: Romanian Academy; co-financed by the Sectoral Operational Programme Human Resources Development 2007-2013 (SOP HRD), the European Social Fund and by the Romanian Government under the contract number POSDRU/89/1.5/S/56815;
 - *October 2008 – October 2011*: Ph.D. candidate, place of work: Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania; remuneration and work contract under the „Doctoral Scholarships for a Sustainable Society” research project. Beneficiary: Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania; co-financed by the Sectoral Operational Programme Human Resources Development 2007-2013 (SOP HRD), the European Social Fund and by the Romanian Government under the contract number POSDRU 6/1.5/S/25;
 - *October 2008 – to date*: Project management.
- 2020: *Project member* of the "COVID-19 Disinformation Response Index in the Eastern Partnership countries and Romania" (responsible for the case of Romania), project sponsored by the German Marshall Fund (Black Sea Trust for Regional Cooperation), <https://dri.org.ua/>, budget 23670 USD;
- 2018 – 2020: *Manager* of the RoSEC project, Boosting Romania's role as a security provider in its immediate vicinity (the cases of Ukraine and Moldova), project financed by the Romanian Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development, and Innovation Funding, PN-III-P1-1.1-TE-2016-0073, <http://cse.uaic.ro/rosec/>, budget 100.000 EUR (I managed a team of 6 experts);
- 2018 – 2021: *Member* of the ReGrowEU – Advancing ground-breaking research in regional growth and development theories, through a resilience approach: towards a convergent, balanced and sustainable European Union, project financed by the Romanian Executive Agency for Higher Education, Research, Development, and Innovation Funding, PN-III-P4-IDPCCF-2016, <http://regroweu.uaic.ro/>, budget 1.355.000 EUR;
- 2019-2020: *Project coordinator* in the project "Bukovyna as a Contact Zone: alterations of attachments and attitudinal trends in the Ukrainian-Romanian borderland of Bukovina" funded by the Swiss State Secretariat for Research and Innovation SERI, budget: 13000 EURO: <http://bukovyna.org.ua/en/> (the project looked at self-identification and attachment patterns of ethnic minorities);
- 2017 – 2020: *Member* of the Erasmus+ Jean Monnet network 'European Union and its neighbourhood. Network for enhancing EU's actorness in the eastern borderlands' (ENACTED) coordinated by the Centre for European Studies, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania, and involving more than 10 academic institutions and NGOs from post-Soviet Eastern Europe, ERASMUS+ project 2017-2625, <https://enacted.uaic.ro/index.htm>, budget: 300.000 EUR.
- 2017-2018: *Project member* of "Assessing Vulnerability and Resilience to Russian Disinformation Warfare: Practical Overview and Qualitative Evaluation of Critical Infrastructure in Romania, Moldova, Ukraine, Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia" (responsible for the Romanian case), project sponsored by the German Marshall Fund (Black Sea Trust for Regional Cooperation), <http://prismua.org/en/dri-cee/>, budget 28.070 USD;
- 2017-2018: *Project coordinator* in the project "From contact to conflict zone? Questioning individual perceptions and loyalties in the EU's eastern borderlands (case study: Bukovyna)", funded by the Swiss State Secretariat for Research and Innovation SERI, budget: 10.000 EURO, <http://bukovyna.org.ua/en/>; I managed a team of 4 experts;
- 2015-2016: *Project coordinator* of the Jean Monnet Erasmus + Project "The Eastern Partnership under strain – time for a rethink?" / EaPpeal (Grant no.: 565466-EPP-1-2015-1-RO-EPPJMO-PROJECT), budget: 54.763 Euros (Within the aforementioned project I organized, *inter alia*, in May 20-21, 2016 the international conference [EURINT 2016](#), devoted to Romania's eastern vicinity. The conference was highly appreciated, since it gathered more than 120 international experts in this field, for instance, Mr. Radek Sikorski, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Poland and initiator of the Eastern Partnership was the keynote speaker); I managed a team of 10 experts and administrative staff;
- 2015-2016: *Member* in the "From Inspiration to Implementation: Europeanisation Process in Ukraine" (InIm) sponsored by the International Visegrad Fund, <http://www.quadrivium.org.ua/InIm/team/>, budget: 10.000 Euros;

2015-2016: *Project coordinator* in the project "Bukovyna as a contact zone" funded by the Swiss State Secretariat for Research and Innovation SERI & University of St Gallen, Centre for Governance and Culture Annual Report 2015: <http://quadrivium.org.ua/bukovyna/en/>;

<http://www.gce.unisg.ch/~media/internet/content/dateien/instituteundcenters/gce/jahresbericht%20gce%202015.pdf>, budget: 13.500 Euros; I managed a team of 4 experts;

2014-2017: *Member* of the Jean Monnet Ad personam Chair "EU sustainable development, regional cohesion and European policies/EuReP", Grant no. 542962-LLP-1-2013-1-RO-AJM-CL, http://cse.uaic.ro/Jean_Monnet/Adpersonam/index.html. Budget: 71.808 Euro, 2013-2016. I was responsible for research and teaching activities (mainly regarding the EU external relations, security and neighbourhood issues) and for continuing the EURINT conference series;

2012-2013: *Member* of the Jean Monnet 2012 - 2013 project ("The EU as regional player. Cooperation and integration in Eastern neighbourhood", LLP - *Jean Monnet Programme, Key Activity 1 – Information and Research Activities*, (Grant No 2012-2712/001-001, Budget – 50.509 Euros). The highlight of this project was the organisation of the EURINT international conference series which debuted in May 2013 with "[The EU as a model of soft power in the Eastern neighbourhood](#)" conference and involved some of the most appreciated speakers the EaP/ENP domain;

2011-2012: *Member* of the 2011-2012 "Cross-border educational exchanges in European studies favourable framework in the diminishing of the border effects at the eastern frontier of the EU" (CEDES, CODE MIS - ETC: 933; <http://www.cedes.uaic.ro/>, Budget: 164.582,64 Euro);

2009-2014: *Member* of the [Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence for European Studies Project](#) (2009-2756/001-011; Budget 117.000 Euros, 2009-2014) I have been part of an academic team which annually delivers lectures on [Romania and Moldova in the regional context: political, economic and security aspects](#) in Chisinau, Moldova, at the State University of Moldova. In October 2010 I designed the international seminar "[The EU - an active player in a globalised world](#)".

➤ *June – August 2010*: Visiting researcher at the European Union Institute for Security Studies, Paris, France: responsible for organising events hosted by the institute (conferences, seminars etc.) and for doing research on the EU/NATO relations with Russia and the Eastern Partnership countries: Moldova, Ukraine, Belarus, Georgia, Azerbaijan and Armenia; for references please contact Marie Antonini-Alvarez (marie.antonini@iss.europa.eu);

➤ *October 2009 – February 2010*: Five month paid traineeship within the European Commission (DG Communication) during which I gained insight into the EU affairs, enhanced my communication and writing skills; (for further references please contact Tim Hayes, Head of Communication / Information Team, Timothy.Hayes@ec.europa.eu);

➤ *November – December 2006*: Paid internship in the Press and Public Affairs Section within the U.K. Embassy in Bucharest, Romania (I was involved in diplomatic events, searched for information on political briefings, drafted speeches, political short notes and visit reports for the ambassador on topics ranging from domestic to EU issues; this internship represented for me a rewarding practical training in getting used to the political scene; Since then I have constantly collaborated with the Embassy on various research projects and diplomatic events (for further references please contact Raluca Bragarea - Head of the Press & Public Affairs Section, Raluca.Bragarea@fco.gov.uk);

➤ *November 2006*: Volunteer within the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, where I contributed to the organisation of the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe (14th Meeting of the Regional Tables, Bucharest).

IV. Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s)

Romanian

Other language(s)

Self-assessment

European level ()*

English

German

Spanish

French

		Understanding		Speaking				Writing	
		Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production	
	English	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user
	German	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user	C1	Proficient user
	Spanish	B2	Independent User	B2	Independent User	B2	Independent User	B2	Independent User
	French	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User	A2	Basic User

V. Organisational skills and competences

- 2013 – to date: Coordinator of the EURINT conference series, <http://cse.uaic.ro/eurint/> dedicated to the study of Central and Eastern European countries, Eastern neighbourhood of the EU and EU-Russia relations;
- 2016 – 2018: Member of the Alexandru Ioan Cuza University Senate;
- 2014 – to date: Member of the Romanian Association of International Relations and European Studies (ARRISE, <http://www.rise.org.ro/>);
- 2014: Member of the [Young Leaders Forum Eastern Partnership-EU](#), under the patronage of the European Parliament;
- 2013 – to date: I have been employed as expert for managing the communication/dialogue between our former graduates on the newly established Alumni platform of the "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iasi (Alumni UAIC). This project has been financed by the European Union (European Social Fund 86/1.2/2.56283) and together with my colleagues I try to create a responsible network of alumni inspired by the successful cases of the alumni associations from Western Europe & US;

- 2012 – to date: Member of the Marshall Center Alumni Association (Activities: organising workshops, roundtables and other social events in Romania);
- 2008 – to date: Member of the University of Manchester Alumni Association (Activities: Networking, exchanging views, ideas and opinions, organising cultural and social events);
- 2007 – to date: Member of the Chevening Community (Activities: Networking, exchanging views, ideas);
- 2005 – to date: Member of the Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg Alumni (Activities: Networking, exchanging views, ideas);
- 2002 – 2006: I was one of the founding members of the Association of Students in Economics at “Alexandru Ioan Cuza” University and between 2007 – 2008 of the Eastern European Society from University of Manchester Students’ Union, under whose umbrella I was responsible for the organisation of socio-cultural activities (liaising with other universities & student organisations, booking venues etc.);
- 2005 – 2006: member of the German NGO Auslands-gesellschaft Sachsen-Anhalt; 2001 – 2006, member of the RoPAR Union – German-Romanian Organisation established in Iasi, Romania – work shadowed the director. I ensured social help and counselling to people in need, designed projects to attract financial support and put forward the points of view of our organisation in the local administration meetings;
 - April, 2005, Course in Public Relations organised by Hogeschool Brussels, Belgium;
 - May, 2004, Courses in Negotiating skills, Teamwork, Project management, Job Hunting, Personal Vision within the framework of AIESEC Centre of Training – Romania.

Computer skills and competences

- Excellent knowledge of Microsoft Office tools (MS Word, Excel, Access, Power Point, and MS Project); Software Certificate both in German and English offered by “Albert Ludwigs” University of Freiburg im Breisgau, Germany;
- HTML Programming;
- Very good knowledge of graphic design applications (Corel Draw).

Driving licence Full clean driving licence, category B (since 2001).

Interests Politics, Economics, networking, travelling, literature, theatre, music, history, sports (football, basketball, tennis and chess).

VI. Awards / Achievements

- **2021**, Diploma for excellence in research (researcher of the year), Centre for European Studies, Faculty of Law, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi;
- **April 2019**, Visiting international scholar at St. Edward’s University in Austin, Texas: <https://www.kozmetskycenter.org/visiting-scholar-moga>;
- **2015**, Researcher of the year at the Centre for European Studies, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi;
- **Winner of the Athena Prize 2014 "Strengthening democracies through knowledge"** for the best paper dealing with security and defence issues published in the quarterly journal Connections in the year 2013. This prize is awarded annually by NATO Partnership for Peace (PfP) Consortium. Paper title: Post-Soviet States between Russia and the European Union: reviving geopolitical competition? A dual perspective, <http://www.marshallcenter.org/mcpublicweb/nav-main-news-en/1491-art-pao-news-30-6-14-en.html>; <http://connections-qj.org/athena-award> (En) ; <http://www.uaic.ro/lector-de-la-centrul-de-studii-europene-premiat-pentru-cel-mai-bun-articol-domeniul-studiilor-de-securitate-si-aparare/> (Ro);
- **2014 – 2015**, Holder of the Swiss Government Excellence Scholarship for pursuing a post-doc programme at the University of St. Gallen. Area of research: Russia-EU relations;
- **2012 – 2013**, Holder of a scholarship within the “The Knowledge Based Society Project – researches, debates, perspectives” research project. Beneficiary of the project: Romanian Academy; co-financed by the Sectoral Operational Programme Human Resources Development 2007-2013 (SOP HRD), the European Social Fund and by the Romanian Government under the contract number POSDRU/89/1.5/S/56815. Area of research: post-Soviet space;
- **2008 – 2011**, Holder of a scholarship within the „Doctoral Scholarships for a Sustainable Society” research project. Beneficiary of the project: Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania; co-financed by the Sectoral Operational Programme Human Resources Development 2007-2013 (SOP HRD), the European Social Fund and by the Romanian Government under the contract number POSDRU 6/1.5/S/25;
- **2007 – 2008**, Foreign and Commonwealth Office Chevening scholarship for pursuing a one-year MA in Political Science, pathway European Politics & Policy. I managed to be one of the three grant-holders from Romania in the academic year 2007-2008. I was awarded this MA merit-based scholarship both on academic and extracurricular grounds (involvement in the local/national events and initiatives, participation in various international projects etc.);
- **2004 – 2005**, one semester scholarship within the frame of the Erasmus Programme at “Albert Ludwigs” University of Freiburg im Breisgau, Germany where I studied Political Economy – During this semester I considerably enhanced my language skills (especially German and English).

VII. List of publications:

1. Moga, T.L. 2016, “The Role of Bounded Rationality in Explaining the European Neighbourhood Policy: The Eastern Dimension” in Gstöhl, S. and Schunz, S. (eds.), *Theorizing the European Neighbourhood Policy*, Abingdon: Routledge, <https://www.routledge.com/Theorizing-the-European-Neighbourhood-Policy/Gstohl-Schunz/p/book/9781138361966>.

2. Moga, T.L. 2017, "Building stronger neighbours", *PerConcordiam*, 8, 1, 2017, ISSN 2166-322X.
3. Moga, T.L., Bureiko, N. 2017, "Bounded Europeanisation: the case of Ukraine" in Flenley, F. and Mannin, M. (eds.), *The European Union and its Eastern neighbourhood*, Manchester: Manchester University Press, <https://doi.org/10.7765/9781526109118.00015>.
4. Moga, T.L., Bureiko, N. 2019, "The Ukrainian-Russian linguistic dyad and its impact on national identity in Ukraine", *Europe-Asia Studies*, 71 (1), 137-155. <https://doi.org/10.1080/09668136.2018.1549653>, ISSN: 0966-8136
5. Moga, T.L. 2018, "Romania: disinformation resilience index", *Disinformation resilience in Central and Eastern Europe*, http://prismua.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/DRI_CEE_2018.pdf, pp. 265-279.
6. Moga, T.L., Bureiko, N. 2019, "Revisiting the Ukrainian-Romanian borderland of Bukovina: puzzle of identificational and attitudinal trends", *Soviet and Post-Soviet Politics and Society*, 5(2), 313-336, https://spps-jspps.autorenbetreuung.de/files/5-2-bureiko_moga.pdf, ISSN 2364-5334.
7. Moga, T. L., Dîrdală, L. D. 2019, "The EU's actorness in the Eastern neighbourhood" in Pascariu, G. C. And Rouet G. (eds.), *Resilience and the EU's Eastern Neighbourhood Countries: From Theoretical Concepts to a Normative Agenda*, Basingstoke: Palgrave Macmillan, https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-25606-7_6.
8. Moga, T.L., 2020, "Romania: disinformation resilience index", *Covid-19 Disinformation Response Index*, http://prismua.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/DRI_11_10WEB.pdf, pp. 122-139.
9. Moga, T. L., Bureiko, N., Gheorghiu, A., Ibanescu, B. 2021, "Between the Home and Kin-state: Self-identification and Attachment of Ukrainians and Romanians in the Ukrainian-Romanian Borderland of Bukovina", *Problems of Post-Communism*, 68:1, 53-65, <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/10758216.2020.1734470>, ISSN: 1075-8216.
10. Moga, T. L., Nitoiu, C., 2021, "Change and continuity in Bulgaria and Romania's foreign policies post-EU accession", *European Politics and Society*, 22(2): 277-294. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/23745118.2020.1729053>, ISSN: 2374-5118.
11. Moga, T.L., Bureiko, N. 2021, "The Ukrainian-Russian linguistic dyad and its impact on national identity in Ukraine", in Cheskin A. and Kachuyevski, A. (eds.) *The Russian-speaking Populations in the Post-Soviet Space*, Routledge, https://www.routledge.com/The-Russian-speaking-Populations-in-the-Post-Soviet-Space-Language-Politics/Cheskin-Kachuyevski/p/book/9780367647230?fbclid=IwAR2-9tTFsvYWn4t4Gk9kcyC72sc-sz_3OcJvIE6k3uXDcbpiBDCdl22TY0.
12. Moga, T.L., Bureiko, N. 2021, 'Identificational and Attitudinal Trends in the Ukrainian-Romanian Borderland of Bukovina' in Eleonora Narvselius, Julie Fedor, Andreas Umland (eds.) *Diversity in the East-Central European Borderlands*, Stuttgart: Ibidem-Verlag. <https://www.ibidem.eu/en/diversity-in-the-east-central-european-borderlands-9783838215235.html>.
13. Moga, T.L., Bureiko, N. & Simionov, L.M. 2021 "Constructing Romania's foreign policy and security role in its eastern neighbourhood: the cases of Moldova and Ukraine", *Southeast European and Black Sea Studies*, 21:4, 615-638, DOI: [10.1080/14683857.2021.1960692](https://doi.org/10.1080/14683857.2021.1960692), Online ISSN: 1743-9639
14. Moga, T.L., Incaltarau, C, Sharipov, I, Pascariu, GC 2022, "Growth and convergence in Eastern Partnership and Central Asian countries since the dissolution of the USSR—embarking on different development paths?", *Development Policy Review*, 40 (1), pp. 1-30, <https://doi.org/10.1111/dpr.12547>, Online ISSN:1467-7679.
15. Moga, T.L., Bureiko, N., Baltag, D. 2022, "The relevance and impact of the EaP in Moldova: why local perceptions matter?", *International Politics*, <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41311-022-00405-9>.
16. Moga, T.L., Bureiko, N., 2022 Ambitions yet unrealized: Romania's status and perceptions from the immediate eastern neighbourhood, *Southeast European and Black Sea Studies*, DOI: [10.1080/14683857.2022.2155293](https://doi.org/10.1080/14683857.2022.2155293)
17. Moga, T. L., Bureiko, N., Gheorghiu, A., Ibanescu, B., forthcoming 2023, Testing a Six-Factor Model on Perceived State Power and Influence: the Case of Romania, *Europe-Asia Studies*.

VIII. List of relevant international conferences:

- "Perceived State Power and Influence: the Case of Romania and the Eastern Neighbourhood", 27th IPSA World Congress of Political Science, Buenos Aires, Argentina (forthcoming 15-19 July);
- "Assessing the Impact of Geopolitical Competition between the Euro-Atlantic Community and Russia on Central and Eastern Europe: The Case of Romania" 26th World Congress of Political Science IPSA, Lisbon, Portugal, July 10-14, 2021;
- "A Contested Foreign Policy 'Entrepreneur'? Romania's Role in the Security and Stability of The EU's Eastern Neighbourhood", paper presented at UACES Annual Conference, 1-4 September 2019, University of Lisbon, Portugal;
- "Still a Troubling Border? Romania's Contribution to Strengthening the Security of the Euro-Atlantic Community's Eastern Flank," paper presented at the International Political Science Association (IPSA) Third International Workshop Research Committee on Geopolitics, 9 April 2019, St. Edward's University, USA: <https://stedwards.app.box.com/s/5towl6cj0n5usc7oqy296dafrc73x052>;
- "Between the Home- and Kin-state: bottom-up perspective towards minorities' self-determination in the Ukrainian-Romanian borderland", paper presented at the ASEN Annual Conference, 24-25 April, University of Edinburgh, UK;
- "Bukovyna as a Contact Zone: testing identities and perceptions in the Ukrainian-Romanian borderland", paper presented in July 10-14, 2018, 2nd World ABS Conference, Vienna, Austria / Budapest, Hungary;
- Invited speaker at the 2019 & 2018 International Neighbourhood Symposium (INS) "Managing Change in Europe's Neighbourhoods", Odessa, Ukraine;
- "Testing Attachments and Loyalties of the Ukrainian and Romanian Ethnic Minorities in the Ukrainian-Romanian Borderland of Bukovyna", paper presented in May 3-5, 2018, ASN World Convention at Columbia University, New York, USA;
- "Testing Attachments and Loyalties of the Ukrainian and Romanian Ethnic Minorities in the Ukrainian-Romanian Borderland of Bukovyna", paper presented in February 9-10, 2018, H2020 UPTAKE project international workshop "Ethnopolitics in Central and Eastern Europe in a State of Flux", Tartu, Estonia;
- Invited speaker with the presentation "Romania's role in enhancing European security" at the conference organised by the

- George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, entitled „European Security after Malta and Rome: last hope or false promise for a continent under pressure?”, 5-6 April 2017, Berlin, Germany;
- “Ukrainian National Identity in Transformation: Debating Language Concerns”, Association for Slavic, East European & Eurasian Studies Convention (ASEEES), Washington, November 17-20, 2016 (panel moderator);
 - “Bad luck or lack of thorough pre-assessment? Applying bounded rationality in the study of EU’s neighbourhood policies towards post-Soviet Eastern Europe”, paper presented at the international conference “Theorizing the European Neighbourhood Policy”, 17-18 September 2015, College of Europe in Brugge, Belgium;
 - “Consolidation through Europeanization? The case of Ukraine”, paper presented at the Jean Monnet International Conference “The EU and its Eastern Neighbourhood: The Contradictions of Europeanisation and European identities”, event hosted by the University of Portsmouth, UK, June 29, 2015;
 - “Misunderstanding commitment or utopian since inception – the Eastern Partnership Unveiled”, paper presented at the international conference 9th Annual Graduate Conference in European History (GRACEH) “Crisis and Solidarity in European History”, University of Vienna, April 23-25, 2015;
 - “Reconsidering the EU’s approach vis-à-vis its eastern neighbourhood”, paper presented at the UACES conference “New perspectives in European Studies: Europeanisation in the EU and the neighbourhood”, Queen’s University Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK, March 6-7, 2015;
 - “Misunderstanding commitment or utopian since inception – the Eastern Partnership unveiled”, paper presented at the workshop on “Testing the boundaries of EU actorness in the EaP: Mutual perceptions and influences”, University of Kent, UK, February 19-20;
 - “Post-Soviet States between Russia and the EU: the Vilnius Summit and the revival of geopolitical competition”, ECPR-SGEU 7th Pan-European Conference on EU Politics, University of Leiden, Campus The Hague, June 5-7, 2014;
 - “The EU’s “ring of friends”: European ideas and security in the eastern neighbourhood”, paper presented at the PRIO Cyprus Centre Annual Conference *Good Governance in Europe and the Neighbourhood*, organised by the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), Co-sponsored with the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung & Hellenic Observatory, 26-27 October 2012, Nicosia, Cyprus;
 - „The EU as a model of *soft power* in its Eastern neighbourhood”, paper presented at the International conference on *Security, Democracy and Development in the Southern Caucasus and the Black Sea Region*, Istanbul, 11-13 October 2012, organised by the The Academic Swiss Caucasus Net (ASCN);
 - *March 1st, 2008*, main organisation of the seminar “European Values: Do We Have Them in Macedonia too?” in Skopje, FYROM, where I presented in the frame of the Leadership Development Programme the paper “Romania in the frame of the European Values” (seminar broadcast live on the national TV station).

IX. Participation in international programmes and trainings:

- **April 2019**, Visiting international scholar at St. Edward’s University in Austin, Texas: <https://www.kozmetskycenter.org/visiting-scholar-moga>;
- **June 2015**, Participation in St. Gallen Global School in Empirical Research Methods 2015;
- **June 23 – 28, 2015**, Participation in the 5th International Neighbourhood Symposium “Leadership and Change in the Eastern Neighbourhood and the Mediterranean South” at Heybeliada, Istanbul, organised by the Center for International and European Studies (CIES) at Kadir Has University;
- **December 8-11, 2014**, Brussels, Belgium, Young Leaders Forum Eastern Partnership-EU, event hosted by the European Parliament;
- **June 24-26, 2014**, Bucharest, Romania, 16th Partnership for Peace Consortium (PfPC) Annual Conference “The future of Euro-Atlantic Security: Education and Power”;
- **May 15-17, 2014**, Sarajevo, Bosnia & Herzegovina, “Envisioning Europe” Community workshop organised by the European Fund for the Balkans;
- **April 11-12, 2014**, Baku, Azerbaijan, NISA-NATO Conference “THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF PfP AND FUTURE OF NATO PARTNERSHIPS”;
- **June 17, 2013**, “Visegrad 4 and the Eastern Partnership: Towards the Vilnius Summit” Conference, Odessa, Ukraine;
- **Actively involved in the series of debates, projects and initiatives focusing on security, foreign policy, diplomacy organised under the umbrella of the Atlantic Treaty Association:**
 - **October 24-27, 2014**, **Balkan SAYS – Security Architecture Youth Seminar**, Ljubljana, Slovenia, <http://www.euroatlantic.org/en/balkan-says/>;
 - **June 6-8, 2013**, **2BS Forum – Turning words into action!**, an annual high-level forum which deals with issues of global, Euro-Atlantic and security in SEE organised by the Atlantic Council of Montenegro, <http://www.2bs.me/index.php?lang=en>, Budva, Montenegro;
 - **April 18-20, 2013**, **2013 GLOBSEC Young Leaders Forum** within the Bratislava Global Security Forum, the leading foreign policy and security forum in Central Europe; this excellent event gave me the opportunity to participate in the highest level decision-making from the Visegrad Group and wider Central European region alongside their Euro-Atlantic partners: <http://www.globsec.org/globsec2013/agenda/young-leaders-forum/>, Bratislava, Slovakia;
 - **March 14-15, 2013**, International NATO Conference “The Black Sea Region: Bringing Future Decision Makers Together in the Changing World”, organised by the Armenian Atlantic Association (AAA): <http://www.euro-atlantic.am/>, Yerevan, Armenia;
- **August 6-12, 2012**, Summer School “Using Lisbon Treaty for Building Active Citizenship” held by the Human Rights Monitoring Institute, Vilnius, Lithuania; I developed strong knowledge on EU human rights issues;

- **June 23 – 1 July 2012**, Summer School for young professionals 2012, “Challenges of Global Security Environment”, organised under NATO umbrella and hosted by the Centre for European and North Atlantic Affairs (CENAA) and the Armed Forces Academy of General M. R. Stefanik, Liptovsky Mikulas, Slovakia;
- **January 23 – 30, 2012**, Training documentation at the KFG Centre “Transformative power Europe”, Freie Universität Berlin coordinated by Prof. Dr. Tanja A. Börzel and Prof. Dr. Th. Risse, field research: Europeanization process, the transformative power of Europe within the external affairs context;
- **July 12 – 26, 2009**, I participated in Euro-Mediterranean Summer School 2009 on “European Policies and Economic Transition in the Mediterranean Basin” organised by the Euro-Mediterranean University (EMUNI), Slovenia, and hosted by the University of Catania, Italy, and tackle among others security issues, the European Neighbourhood Policy, the Union for the Mediterranean, political Islam, the EU's approach towards North Africa, Middle East, the EU-Turkey relationship;
- **June 27 – July 11, 2009**, I took part in the International Summer School Seggau, organised by the University of Graz (Austria) which focused on *the Western Balkans, South East European Enlargement of the EU* and the European Eastern Neighbourhood;
- **September 2007 – April 2008**, I was one of the three Romanians selected to represent Romania in the “South – Eastern Europe and the EU – Leadership Development Programme” organised by the College of Europe, Brugge, Transfuse Association, King Baudouin Foundation and the Robert Bosch Stiftung, one of the finest leadership programmes to shape the future of Southeast Europe; during this programme I gained valuable insight into EU foreign affairs, security, EU-US/NATO relations;
- **September 5 – 15, 2007**, International Summer School in Opole / Berlin / Strasbourg on “National Minorities in Europe – Today and Tomorrow” organised by the Centre International de Formation Europeenne (CIFE) in collaboration with the European Parliament and the Robert Bosch Stiftung; I focused on national and ethnic minorities and their rights within the EU which increased my knowledge in human rights issues;
- **July - August 2005**, Eurocamp 2005, “Values and changes for the students of a united Europe”, Tilleda, Sachsen-Anhalt, Germany where I represented Romania in various social and cultural activities.

Relevant certificates:

- Language Certificates: IELTS (International English Language Testing System), CAE (Cambridge Advanced English – University of Cambridge, UK), Test DaF (Deutsch als Fremdsprache), ZD (Zertifikat Deutsch – Goethe Institut-Inter Nations), Spanish Diploma (both from the Leonardo Da Vinci Programme and the Latin America Cultural Centre - Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi) and Certificat d’assiduite (Institut Français);
- Online Course Certificates on NATO and the Common Security and Defence Policy awarded by the Partnership for Peace Learning Platform (pfp.ethz.ch) to support education in defence and security policy coordinated by the International Relations and Security Institute (ISN) and the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH Zurich);
- Other Certificates obtained after extracurricular activities such as summer schools, volunteer work or internships (within the British Embassy Bucharest, the Romanian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Commission, EU Institute for Security Studies, U. S. George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies)

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