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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

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Identity and Democratic Governance in the European Union*

Thursday, May 21

- 10.00-11.00: Registration of Participants /Aula Magna,
University of Oradea, Universităţii Street, No. 1
- 11.00-11.20: Welcome and Introduction: Constantin Bungău -
Rector of the University of Oradea, Sorin Curilă -
President of the Senate, University of Oradea, Ioan
Horga - Dean of the Faculty of History, International
Relations, Political Science and Communication,
Cristina Matiuța - Head of the Department of
Political Science and Communication / Aula Magna,
University of Oradea
- 11.20-12.30: **Key Note Lecture: Mr. Emil HUREZEANU -
*European Union - between Nations and
Federation***
- 12.30-13.00: Questions and Answers
- 13.00-13.30: Campus and library visit
- 14.00-15.00: Lunch - Hotel Continental Forum Oradea, Aleea
Ștrandului Street, No. 2
- 15.00- 18.00: Thematic sessions - ***Panel 1 and Panel 2,
simultaneously***, Conference rooms – Hotel
Continental Forum Oradea
- 18.30-19.45: Visit of the main tourist attractions
- 20.00-21.30: Dinner - Hotel Continental Forum Oradea

Friday, May 22

10.00-13.00: Thematic sessions - ***Panel 3 and Panel 4, simultaneously***, Conference rooms – Hotel Continental Forum Oradea

13.00-13.30: Concluding remarks

13.30-14.30: Lunch (Hotel Continental) and Departure

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PANEL 1 - *The Peculiarities of the European Integration Process*

Prezident Room, Hotel Continental Forum

Chair: Marco OROFINO (University of Milan, Italy)

- 15.00-15.20: **Nikos VOGIATZIS**, PhD, Lecturer in Law, University of Liverpool, *Three Challenges for a More Robust Political EU Citizenship*
- 15.20-15.40: **Vasile CUCERESCU**, PhD, Associate Professor, ECSA - Moldova, Chişinău, Republic of Moldova, *Multilevel Governance Model for Enlarged Europe: Is Diversity Sustainable?*
- 15.40-16.10: **Elisabeth LEFORT**, Université du Luxembourg / Université Catholique de Louvain-la-Neuve, **Esteban KAIP**, Universidad Nacional del Litoral (Argentina), *European Union's Multileveled Political Structures and System Theory*
- 16.10-16.30: **Aurelian LAVRIC**, PhD, Associate Professor, Centre of Strategic Studies of Defense and Security, Armed Forces Military Academy,

Chişinău, Republic of Moldova, *The European Integration of the Republic of Moldova as a Way of Assuring the Societal Security*

16.30-16.50 Coffee Break

16.50-17.10: **Simion ROŞCA**, PhD, Associate Professor, International Relations Institute, Chişinău, Republic of Moldova, *The Impact of Europeanization on the Quality of Democracy in the Republic of Moldova*

17.10-17.30: **Lia POP**, PhD, Professor, Department of Political Science and Communication, University of Oradea, *Respecting the Diversity in Europe. A Commentary on Frazer's Book **Gypssies***

17.30-17.50: **István POLGAR**, Ph.D, Lecturer, Department of International Relations & European Studies, University of Oradea, *European Neighbourhood Policy, a Viable Alternative for a Stable and Secure Process of Integration?*

17.50-18.10: **Irina POP**, PhD, Lecturer, Department of Political Science and Communication, University of Oradea, *Human Dignity, as an EU Value and its Perception in Bihor County (Romania)*

PANEL 2 - *Identity Layers in Europe and the Meanings of European Identity*

Panoramic Room, Hotel Continental Forum

Chair: **Sergiu MIȘCOIU** (Babeș-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania)

15.00-15.20: **Lehte ROOTS**, PhD, Associate Professor, Tallinn Law School / Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia, *E-citizenship as a Tool to Increase the European Identity*

15.20-15.40: **Paul KUN**, PhD, Associate Professor, Faculty of Political Science, West University, Timisoara, *European Identity between Ethnic and Civic Identities*

15.40-16.10: **Ana CARRILLO-LOPEZ**, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Leicester, United Kingdom, *What if the Mystery of European Identity Relied on Transnationalism?*

16.10-16.30: **Marius TĂȚAR**, PhD, Lecturer, Department of Political Science and Communication, University of Oradea, *Multiple Loyalties: European and National Identities in Times of Economic Hardship*

16.30-16.50 Coffee Break

- 16.50-17.10: **Veroniki KRIKONI**, Faculty of Arts, University of Groningen, Netherlands, *Cultural Europeanization: EU - Balkan Dichotomy*
- 17.10-17.30: **Ioan LAZA**, PhD, Department of Political Science and Communication, University of Oradea, **Ioana ALBU**, PhD, Department of Political Science and Communication, University of Oradea, *Romanian Book for the Republic of Moldova: Radiography of a Civic Initiative*
- 17.30-17.50: **Leandro ARAMBURU**, Lecturer, Department of Political Science and Sociology, University of Würzburg, Germany, *Addressing the European Identity Formation in ERASMUS Students: Towards the Rise of a Cosmopolitan Capital?*
- 17.50-18.10: **Alina STOICA**, PhD, Lecturer, **Florentina CHIRODEA**, PhD, Lecturer, Department of International Relations & European Studies, University of Oradea, *The Cultural Identity of the Regions of the Eastern Border of the EU*

Friday, May 22

***PANEL 3 - Social Capital and Civic Engagement
in the European Union***

Prezident Room, Hotel Continental Forum

Chair: **Lehte ROOTS** (Tallinn University of Technology, Estonia)

10.00-10.20: **Sergiu GHERGHINA**, PhD, Department of Political Science, Goethe University Frankfurt, **Sergiu MIȘCOIU**, PhD, Department of European Studies, Babeș-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, *Direct Democracy in the EU? The Attitudes of European Citizens towards the European Citizen Initiative*

10.20-10.40: **Cristina MATIUȚA**, PhD, Department of Political Science and Communication, University of Oradea, *New Ways for Active Citizenship in Romania: the Role of Social Networks in Shaping Public Space and Electoral Behavior*

10.40-11.10: **Raluca VIMAN-MILLER**, PhD, Lecturer, University of North Georgia, United States, *Second*

*Generation Immigrants and the Problem of
Social Integration*

11.10-11.30: **Lia POP**, PhD, Professor, Department of Political Science and Communication, University of Oradea, *The Romani language, Rroma Ethnicity and Citizenship. Perceptions among students in Oradea*

11.30-11.50: Coffee Break

11.50-12.10: **Șerban OLAH**, PhD, Associate Professor, **Sergiu BĂLȚĂTESCU**, PhD, Professor, University of Oradea, *Religious Participation and Civic Engagement in Romania and Hungary*

12.10-12.30: **Adrian Cosmin BASARABĂ**, PhD, Associate Professor, West University Timișoara, *Social Cleavages in the 2014 Presidential Elections in Romania's Region of Banat*

12.30-12.50: **Mihai SOFONEA**, PhD student, Mihai Viteazul National Intelligence Academy, Romania, *The Social Media Role in Reshaping „Immigration Clichés” in Europe*

12.50-13.10: **Andreea KISPAL**, MA Student, Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Bucharest, *The European Citizens' Initiative – the Online Instrument of Expressing the Citizens' Will in the EU*

PANEL 4 - Political Participation and Representation in the European Union

Panoramic Room, Hotel Continental Forum

Chair: Nikos VOGIATZIS (University of Liverpool, UK)

10.00-10.20: **Gabriela BORZ**, PhD, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, United Kingdom, *Explaining Representation in European Elections: the Case of European Integration*

10.20-10.40: **Marco OROFINO**, PhD, Department of International, Legal, Historical and Political Studies, University of Milan, Italy, *The Web 2.0 and Its Impact on Relations between Citizens and their Political Representatives*

10.40-11.10: **Alina Carmen BRIHAN**, Assistant Lecturer, Department of Political Science and Communication, University of Oradea, *Elected Representatives from the North – Western Part of Romania and the Process of Influencing the EU Decision-Making Process*

11.10-11.30: **Ludmila ROȘCA**, PhD, Professor, International Relations Institute, Chișinău, Republic of

*Moldova, Culture Sharing Policy - a Condition
for Efficient Coalition Government*

11.30-11.50: Coffee Break

11.50-12.10: **Gabriela GOUDENHOOF**T, PhD, Lecturer,
Department of Political Science and
Communication, University of Oradea,
*Transnational Identity, Media Communication
and Political Mobilization. Case study:
Romanian Diaspora from Germany and
Romania's Presidential Election in 2014*

12.10-12.50: **Patrícia KAPLANOVA**, PhD student, Faculty of
Social Sciences, University of Ss. Cyril and
Methodius in Trnava, Slovakia, *From
Representative to Participatory Democracy –
Deliberation in the European Union*

13.00-13.30: Concluding remarks/ End of conference

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