

**“SOCIAL IMPACT AND THE SOCIAL SCIENCES: THEORY AND PRACTICE IN THE ERA OF PROPAGANDA,
FAKE NEWS AND MEDIA MANIPULATION”
INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM
5-6 December 2019**

	DAY 1: 5 DECEMBER	LOCATION
8.30-9.00	REGISTRATION	
9.00-9.30	WELCOME ADDRESS	Room 103
9.30-11.00	PLENARY SPEAKER 1 DR. TINA HAUX University of Kent, UK “Impact in Perilous Times” Chair: Gaby Ramia	Room 103
11.00-11.15	COFFEE BREAK	
11.15–12.45	PANEL: SOCIAL WELFARE: POLICIES, PERSPECTIVES AND PROGRAMS Chair: Liz Lightfoot <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gaby Ramia, Michelle Peterie, Roger Patulny, Greg Marston: “Can Social Network Research Have an Impact on the Delivery of Employment Services? An Australian Study of Service Innovations” 2. Raluca Tomșa, Violeta Rotarescu, Ioana Podina, Alina Chiracu: „Introducing the RoMOMatter Project for Empowering Roma Girls Through Reproductive Justice: Preliminary Results” 3. Sebastian Fitzek: „Welfare Policies in the Governing Programs of the Romanian Political Parties Since the 1990s” 4. Corina Drăgan: “Social Research: Between Necessity and Opportunity in Child Protection” 5. Nicoleta Neamțu, Camelia Uță, Mădălina Hideg: „Quality of Services and Quality of Life in the Evaluation of Home-Based Programs for Elderly Care – A Case Study from Hunedoara, Romania” 	Room 103
12.45-13.45	LUNCH	
13.45-15.15	PLENARY SPEAKER 2 DR. CORNELIU BJOLA University of Oxford “Dismantling Echo-Chambers of Hate: The Case of Online Anti-Semitism” Chair: Marian Zulean	Room 103

15.15-15.30	COFFEE BREAK	
15.30-17.00	PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	<p>PANEL: “FAKE NEWS AND DISINFORMATION: NEW AND OLD MEDIA, NEW AND OLD CHALLENGES; THE NEED FOR MEDIA EDUCATION”</p> <p>Moderator: Antonio Momoc</p> <p>Presentations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Romina Surugiu, Adriana Ștefănel: “Fake News & Democracy: Insights From and For Media Education” 2. Ionuț Butoi: “A Structural Approach in the Recent Debates on the Phenomena of Fake News, Post-truth and Polarization” 3. Antonio Momoc: “How do Journalists Identify Fake-News and Why do Some Still Spread it?” 4. Iuliana Lazăr, Ana Cătălina Păun, Sorin Mierlea: „The Relationship Between the Trust on Information Sources and Risk Perception Related to the Fake News of the European Citizens: A Multiple Linear Regression Approach” 5. Diana Dumitrescu: “Fighting Fake News” 6. Gabriela Prelipcean, Diana Bucătar: „The Globalization and Commercialization of Fake News in Eastern Europe Countries” 	Room 102
	<p>WORKSHOP: “SOCIAL VALUES AND IDENTITIES AROUND THE BLACK SEA”</p> <p>Workshop organized by The Research Institute for Quality of Life, Romanian Academy</p> <p>Conveners: Mălina Voicu and Ioana Ramia</p> <p>Chair: Ioana Ramia</p> <p>Presenters/Panellists:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kseniya Kizilova: “Values and Identities Guiding Political Orientations in Ukraine” 2. Bogdan Voicu: “Convergence in Patterns of Social Sapital Across the Black Sea” 3. Horatiu Rusu: “Civic and Ethnic Identities Across Europe 4. Claudiu Tufiș: “Democracies in the Black Sea Area: Advances and Retreats Over the Last 30 Years” 5. Ioana Ramia: “Conceptualizing and Measuring Subjective Wellbeing in the Black Sea Region” <p>Malina Voicu: “Culture Clash or Culture Mix Around the Black Sea?”</p>	Room 103
19.30	CONFERENCE DINNER AT CASA UNIVERSITARILOR	

	DAY 2: 6 DECEMBER	LOCATION
9.15-9.30	WELCOME ADDRESS Liviu Râncioagă (Bucharest-Ilfov Regional Development Agency)	Room 103
9.30-11.00	PLENARY SPEAKER 3 MR. PER ENERUD European External Action Service, EU “Poisoning the Public Discourse: EU Combatting Disinformation to Protect Democracy” Chair: Paul Dragos Aligica	Room 103
11.00-11.15	COFFEE BREAK	
11.15-12.45	PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	PANEL: “ORGANIZATIONS AND SOCIAL IMPACT” Chair: Liz Lightfoot <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Andreea Gușă: „Challenges Arising in Social Science Research: Case study - Researching „Curriculum at School’s Decision” as a Substantiation for Alternative Public Policies Drafted Within the NGO Sector” 2. Frank Elbers: „Return of Expectations (ROE): Measuring Impact in the Third Sector” 3. Ioana Ramia, Isabella Saunders: „Data and Research to Catalyse Change: „Amplify Social Impact”” 4. Simona Ilie, Adriana Neaguț, Claudia Petrescu: “Social and Economic Footprint of a Child Protection NGO: A Case Study” 	Room 103
	PANEL: “COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVES: COMPARATIVE PERSPECTIVES: RUSSIA-EASTERN EUROPE-EU-US” Chair: Ioan Stanomir <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Galina Zvereva: „The Role of Historical Science in the Russian Mediatized Public Space: Enlightenment vs Manipulation” 2. Marcin Skladanowski: „International Security Studies as a Tool of the Reassertion of the Russian Empire: The Case of the Izborsk Club” 3. Lucian Dumitrescu: „Strategic Narratives and Security Culture in the US. Unraveling the anti-Trump Disclosure” 4. Filip Alexandrescu, Ionuț-Marian Anghel, Simona Stănescu, Lucria Ștefănescu, Alina Pop: “The social impact of environmental injustices in European climate hotspots” 5. Marcela Slusarciuc: „Do the Cross-border Programmes Fulfil Their Role? Use of Institutional Analysis for Scanning the Romanian-Ukrainian Border” 	Room 102
12.45-13.45	LUNCH	

13.45-15.15	PARALLEL SESSIONS	
	<p>PANEL: "THEMES IN SECURITY, INFLUENCE AND DISINFORMATION" Chair: Marian Zulean</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bogdan Oprea: „Tackling Online Disinformation: ackling online disinformation: Romanian presidential elections” 2. Creța Ovidiu Cristian: „Desecurization Through Trivialization: Sputnik and the Underplay of Romania’s Membership in NATO” 3. Marian Zulean: “Military Science in Post-Truth Society” 	Room 102
	<p>PANEL: "FAKE NEWS, MISINFORMATION AND MANIPULATION" Chair: Dragos Paul Aligica</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Virgil Iordache: “Anthropological Frameworks and Their Impact on Socio-biological Paradigms and Research Traditions - The Case of the Model of Man in Romanian Biology” 2. Cristina Posastiuc: “The Truth Disrupted by Technology” 3. Gabriel-Alexandru Toma: “The Emergence of Misinformation Ecosystems in Romanian Digital Sphere” 4. Adrija Bose: “Rethinking Social Science: A study of Media Manipulation against Minority Communities in India” 	Room 103
15.15 – 15.30	COFFEE BREAK	
15.30-17.00	<p>PLENARY SPEAKER 4 DR. LIZ LIGHTFOOT University of Minnesota “Refocusing Doctoral Education Towards Social Impact” Chair: Cosima Rughinis</p>	Room 103
17.00	CONFERENCE ENDS	