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CONFERENCE DAY 1 – PLENARY SESSIONS Thursday, 31st of October 2019

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9.30 – 10.00: **Participants' registration & Coffee** Venue: The National Bank of Romania (Mitiță Constantinescu Hall)

10.00 – 10.30: Welcome and Opening Remarks Venue: The National Bank of Romania (Mitiță Constantinescu Hall)

- Lucian CROITORU, Counselor of the Governor The National Bank of Romania
- Dorel PARASCHIV, Vice-rector of Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania
- Gheorghe HURDUZEU, Dean of the Faculty of International Business and Economics, Romania

10.30– 13.30: The future of the European Union: a socio-economic & cultural perspective Venue: The National Bank of Romania (Mitiță Constantinescu Hall)

- **Mihai KORKA**, Professor, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania *"Adapting International Business Education to a Changing World"*
- Joan MONTLLOR SERRATS, Professor, Universitat Autónoma de Barcelona, Spain "The evolution of ESG investing: A European perspective"

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Sponsors:



• **Micky AHRONSON**, Expert in international relations, The Jerusalem Institute for Strategy and Security, Israel

"International lessons from the Middle East"

- **Paul H. DEMBINSKI**, Professor, University of Freiburg, Switzerland, Director of Observatoire de la Finance and Co-President of "Ethics & Trust in Finance Prize" *"Families: the unacknowledged centre of any economy"*
- Alina BÂRGĂOANU, Professor, National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, Romania *"EU vs. Disinformation. The State of Play"*

Moderator: Laura-Mihaela MUREŞAN, Bucharest University of Economic Studies & QUEST Romania

13:30-14:00: Conference Lunch

Venue: The National Bank of Romania (Alexandru Ottulescu Hall)

14:00–15:30: CONFERENCE PANEL: Financial literacy – challenges and results. The Romanian case. Venue: The National Bank of Romania (Mitiță Constantinescu Hall)

- Anton COMĂNESCU, Lead Expert, National Bank of Romania
- Florin BÂLCAN, CEO Provident Financial Romania
- Alexandra Ioana BONTAŞ, Head of Financial Education and Monitoring Service Public Relations, Petitions and Financial Education Directorate, Financial Supervisory Authority
- Adrian CODÂRLAȘU, President, CFA Romania

Moderator: **Radu Cristian MUȘETESCU**, Professor, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania

15:30 – 15:45: **Coffee break**

Venue: The National Bank of Romania (Alexandru Ottulescu Hall)

15:45 – 18.00: CONFERENCE PANEL: Rule of Law Conditionalities in the EU – from the Cooperation and Verification Mechanism (CVM) to the new monitoring mechanisms in the European Union Venue: The National Bank of Romania (Mitiță Constantinescu Hall)

- Aleksejs DIMITROVS, EFA Advisor on Legal Affairs, Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs
- **Paul BLOKKER**, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Economic Law, University of Bologna
- Adrian BABOI STROE, Public Policy Expert and former Secretary of State in the Ministry of Justice
- Laura **STEFAN**, Anticorruption expert from the Romanian Expert Forum
- **Mat TROMME**, Director, Sustainable Development & Rule of Law Programme, Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law

Moderator: Clara VOLINTIRU, Associate Professor, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania

17:00 – 19.00: CONFERENCE PANEL: Europe and the Middle East: In quest of new international orders

*Venue: Bucharest University of Economic Studies (***1203 – Google ROOM***)* Cohosted with: Center for Foreign Policy and Security Studies

- Micky Ahronson, Expert, The Jerusalem Institute for Strategy and Security
- Liviu Muresan, President, EURISC Foundation







- Florin Pasatoiu, Director, Center for Foreign Policy and Security Studies
- **Radu Ungureanu,** Associate Professor, National University of Political Studies and Public Administration, Bucharest

Moderator: Radu Cristian MUŞETESCU, Professor, The Bucharest University of Economic Studies

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CONFERENCE GALA DINNER – Thursday, 31st of October 2019 19.30: Conference Gala Dinner (Venue: Marshal Garden Hotel's Restaurant)

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CONFERENCE DAY 2 – PLENARY SESSIONS Friday, 1st of November 2019

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Friday, 1st of November 2019

9.30 – 10.00: Participants' registration & Coffee Venue: Bucharest University of Economic Studies (Aula Magna)

10.00 – 12.00: The future of the European Union: a socio-economic & cultural perspective Venue: Bucharest University of Economic Studies (Aula Magna)

- **Gerard WEBER,** Professor, City University of New York, USA "Labor Migration, Social Dissolution and Public Sector Austerity 30 Years after the Revolution: An Anthropological Account from Galati"
- **Bogdan COSTEA**, Professor, Lancaster University Management School, UK "Will the Twentieth Century Ever End?"

Moderator: Laura-Mihaela MUREŞAN, Bucharest University of Economic Studies & QUEST Romania

12:00 – 13.30: CONFERENCE PANEL: The Republic of Moldova and Romania: towards a successful partnership in the European Union

Venue: Bucharest University of Economic Studies (Aula Magna)

- **Rodica CRUDU,** Associate professor, Dean of the Faculty of International Business and Economics, ASEM, The Republic of Moldova
- **Marina POPA,** Associate professor, Dean of the Faculty of International Business and Economics, ASEM, The Republic of Moldova
- Gabriela DRĂGAN, Professor, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania

Moderator: **Clara VOLINTIRU,** Associate Professor, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania

10:00 – 13.00: CONFERENCE PANEL: The economics of family – the EU perspective Venue: Bucharest University of Economic Studies (1204 – Google Room)

- **Mariano MARTINEZ AEDO**, Cofounder of Instituto de Politica Familiar, Spain: *Public aids for Family in Europe comparison*
- Alina SAVU, Senior Business Consultant Ascent AG Elvetia: Family contribution to society 4.0
- **Sebastian FITEC**, Researcher, Romanian Academy, Romania: *Family structure in Romania and economic issues*
- **Ciprian BRADU** Economic Counsellor in Management at Bucureștii Noi Romano-Catholic Parish: *Family part of European commonwealth, Romania*
- **Matei DOBROVIE**, Romanian Parliament, Romania: *Proposals for Family Policies in Romania including for the Economic Family Development*

Moderator: Irina ION (ZGREABĂN), Associate Professor, Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Romania

13:00-13:30: Conference Lunch

Venue: Bucharest University of Economic Studies (Cafeteria, 3rd Floor, Ion Anghelescu Building)



13:30– 16:30: ACADEMIC PANELS Venue: Bucharest University of Economic Studies

PANEL 1: BUSINESS ACROSS EUROPE

13.30 - 16.30: Friday, 1 November 2019, Room 1206

Chairs: Maria-Floriana POPESCU & Raluca ROBU

Lucian Ivan	Predictive Analysis of the Romanian Defence Market
Raluca Robu	Upgrading in global value chains. The case of Romania
Maria-Floriana Popescu, Neal Harrison Silbert	The Impact of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning on the Future of Europe
Ioana Coralia Zavera	Prosperity and education – two sets that intersect continuously
Gabriel-Cristian Constantinescu	Preferences in remote communication of the Romanian native language negotiators
Gabriel-Cristian Constantinescu	False perceptions influenced by false friends, in remote negotiations
Camelia Candidatu, Liliana Nicoleta Grigore, Laura Benchea	Traditional versus modern techniques in academic learning : Analysis on students in the economic higher education
Radu Cezar Cojocariu, Andrei Relu Ciucă	Romanian natural gas market. Quo vadis? 2.0

PANEL 2: THE NEW CHALLENGES OF THE EUROPEAN UNION'S GOVERNANCE 13.30 – 16.30: Friday, 1 November 2019, Room 1203 (Google Room) Chairs: Mirela DIACONESCU & Cristina DRĂGOI

Dumitru Miron, Ana Maria Holobiuc	How difficult is it to achieve real convergence within the
	enlarged European Union?







Gheorghe-Cosmin Manea	Migration Flows and the Development Policy of The European Union
Mihaela-Sorina Dumitrescu, Dorel Paraschiv, Maria Nițu	The fight against terrorism in the European Union
Stefana Agop, Ramona Teodora Ghioc (cas Tanasa)	The influence of economic growth models on the sustainable development of the rural area
Maria-Floriana Popescu, Cristina Drăgoi	The "Green Deal" – European Union's newest bet against climate change
Ihab s kh Jweida	Crisis in Lybia
Mirela Diaconescu, Andreea Oana Enache, Paula Munteanu	Migration and Sustainable Development in the Context of Globalization

PANEL 3: FINANCE & BANKING IN THE EUROPEAN UNION

13.30 – 16.30: Friday, 1 November 2019, **Room 1217** *Chairs: Radu LUPU & Călin CANTEMIR*

Dragos Dantis	Possible Directions of Evolution for Banking Activity in European Union Under the Impact of Blockchain Technology
Alexandra Micu	Risk assessment in banking reorganization
Andreea-Alexandra Chiriac (Roșca), Claudiu Chiriac, Alex-Dan Ceausescu- Constantinescu, Delia-Raluca Șancariuc	Cyber security, a priority of the modern world
Ciprian Stănescu	Unicorn companies. Where is Europe now and in the future?
Alexandra Horobeț, Georgiana Maria Vrinceanu, Consuela Elena Popescu, Lucian Belascu	An exploratory study of CEE financial companies' exposure to oil price risk

PANEL 4: SURVIVAL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION13.30 - 16.30: Friday, 1 November 2019, Room 1212

Chairs: Octavian-Dragomir JORA & Mihai-Vladimir TOPAN

Ioana Coralia Zavera	Prosperity and education – two sets that intersect continuously
Cezar Vasilescu	US versus China- competition for global economic supremacy
Olteteanu Angel-Cristian	Challenges for entrepreneurs seeking to access European funds in Central and Eastern Europe as of 2019'
Maria-Floriana Popescu, Gheorghe Hurduzeu, Anca Ilie	State-of-the-Art for Energy in the European Union
Marius Traistaru	Analysis of the terrorist phenomenon in Romania between 2000-2007
Radu Isaic, Cristian Păun	Constructal Theory and Economic Cycle

PANEL 5: ADDRESSING CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND RISK MANAGEMENT IN EUROPE

13.30 – 16.30: Friday, 1 November 2019, **Room 1203** *Chairs:* Irina IAMANDI & Laura CONSTANTIN

Irina-Eugenia Iamandi, Laura-Gabriela Constantin	Using Technology for Sustainability Enhancement at European Level. A Country Perspective
Laura-Gabriela Constantin, Irina- Eugenia Iamandi	An Innovative Assessment of Sustainable Development through Technology in EU Cities
Alina Alexoaei	Responsible investing: finding the value in environmental, social, and governance performance
Alina Alexoaei	Proactive water footprint management
Ciprian Stănescu	15 Skills and 30 Jobs of the Future
Delia Elena Mateias	Leadership styles and business diplomacy

PANEL 6: **DIASPORAS: TRANSNATIONAL FAMILIES 13.30 – 16.30:** Friday, 1 November 2019, **Room 1605** *Chair: Iulia RĂŞCANU*

Shruti Amar and Arpita Goswami	Family, Cosmopolitanism and Indian Fiction in English, 1930-1960
Iulia Rascanu	Home and Hybridity. A revisitation of Bend It Like Beckham
Petre Comșa, Costea Munteanu	On the Discontinuity and Hierarchy in the Dialogue between Science and Religion
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