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# Saturday, June 21, 2014

08.30 – 09.00 ~ Registration

09.00-10.20 ~ Opening Ceremony

Acad. Teodor Dima • Member of the Romanian Academy

**Welcome Address**

Keynote Speaker - Wilhelm Dancă • **Special Representative of the Council for Research in Values and Philosophy, Washington D.C. :Person and Value in the Christian Social Doctrine**

Keynote Speaker - Jove Jim S. Aguas • University of Santo Tomas, Philippines  
**Emerging Realities and Their Impact on Cultural Values and Identity: Preserving Cultural Values and Identity**

Keynote Speaker - Dan Gabriel Sâmbotin • Romanian Academy, Iași Branch  
**Basic Antinomies and the Problem of Identity**

10.20-10.40 ~ Coffee break

10.40 – 11.00 ~ Group Photo

11.00 – 13.00 ~ Session I.1

Conference Hall – Moderator Dan Chițoiu

Iddo Landau • Haifa University, Israel

**Doing One's Best, Fulfilling One's Potential, and the Meaning of Life**

Costas Athanasopoulos • Open University, U.K.

**The spiritual challenge of being European today for an Orthodox:**

**The New Atheist attack on traditional European values and Orthodox Christian identity**

Kai Ana Makanoē Kaikaulaokaweilaha Kaululaau • University of Bristol, U.K.

**To Apologize, to be Sorry, to Regret, to Confess.**

Meng Huang • Xi'an Jiaotong University, China

**Datong ideal. A reinterpretation of “people-oriented” from Chinese traditional culture**

11.00 – 13.00 ~ Session I.2

Room 1.2 - Moderator Anton Adămuț

Ana Bazac • Polytechnic University of Bucharest, Romania

**Lesprit de Corps: Old and New Values of a Significant Social Identity**

Constantin Vică • Romanian Academy, Iași Branch

**Cold facts, value-neutrality, and cultural identity on Wikipedia. The digital war of (writing) history today**

Radu Bogdan Uszkai • Romanian Academy Iași Branch

**The value of cooperation in the world today: social norms and online pirates**

Alexandru Dragomir • Romanian Academy, Iași Branch

**Logic and its Role in Society**

11.00 – 13.00 ~ Session I.3

Room 6 - Moderator Alexandru Tofan

Rodica Pop • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Justification of politics in Dumitru Stăniloae thinking**

Ioan Dura • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Religious Identity and Desacralization: Challenges of Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue in the World of Today**

Constantin Rusu • Romanian Academy, Iași Branch

**Temptation of Knowledge and Making of Values and Identity: Romanian Context**

Celestin Eronim Blaj • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**On the Moral Ideal, between Philosophy and Religion, in the Globalizing Context**

13.00 – 14.00 ~ Lunch

14.00- -16.00 ~ Session II.1

Conference Hall – Moderator Petru Bejan

Ștefan Pălărie, Smaranda Simionescu • Școala de Valori, Bucharest, Romania

**Studies Regarding the Values and Role Models of the Romanian Teenager**

Smaranda Buju • Gheorhe Asachi Technical University, Iași, Romania

**The Science of Wo/Man: from Desecration to Scientification of Human**

Ani-Maria Gherghel • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Police Cynism Reconsidered**

Daniela Doltu • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Organizational Ethos and Managerial Morality: The Romanian Public Institutions Managers' Contribution**

14.00- -16.00 ~ Session II.2

Room 1.2 – Moderator Dan Chițoiu

Firoozeh Papan-Matin • University of Washington, U.S.A.

**Music as a Venue for the Expression of Faith among Indian Muslim Communities**

WEI Hua & CAO Yuan • Xi'an Jiaotong University & Liuhe Traditional Studies College, Xi'an, China

**On the Ecological Philosophy of Chinese Traditional Taoist Thinking**

André Bueno • State University of Paraná (UNESPAR), Brazil

**The Challenge of Traditions in Brazil Today**

Petre Guran • Romanian Academy

**Christian Faith versus Christian History. The Dynamic Character of Tradition**

14.00- -16.00 ~ Session II.3

Room 6 - Moderator Carmen Cozma

Carmen Cozma • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Ethical Values in Preserving the Communitarian Identity, on the Ground of Enescianism**

Frăguța Zaharia • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**On the Dignity of Being Human in the Present Context: Starting from Constantin Micu Stavila's Philosophy**

Maria Sinaci • Francisc Neuman College, Arad, Romania

**Globalization and Global Ethics**

Daniela Stănculescu • Spiru Haret University, Craiova, Romania

**Religious language from modernity to postmodernity**

16.00 – 16.30 ~ Coffee Break

16.30 – 18.30 ~ Session III.1

Conference Hall - Moderator Dan Gabriel Sâmbotin

Alex Tofan • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Walter Benjamin's Theory on Urban Experience: Theology, Politics, Critical Inquiry**

Alexandru Bejenariu • Romanian Academy, Iași Branch

**The phenomenological critique of the concept of value and the problem of the "new"**

Teodor Negru • Radboud University Nijmegen, The Netherlands

**Deterritorialization of Culture and the Problem of Cultural Identity in the Age of Globalization**

Mihail-Valentin Cernea • Romanian Academy, Iași Branch

**The Value of Scientific Knowledge in Today's World**

16.30 – 18.30 ~ Session III.2

Room 1.2 - Moderator Costas Athanasopoulos

Thomas Menampampil • Archbishop Emeritus, Jovai, India

**Respecting the Self-assertion of Communities**

Abdul Rashid • University of Karachi, Pakistan

**Islamic values and Identity in the modern World: Sufis teachings Perspective**

Chrysoula Gitsoulis • City University of New York, U.S.A.

**Where Do Moral Standards Come From?**

Asanova Umut • Turkey Manas University, Kyrgyzstan

**Philosophical Identification of Self and Spirituality**

16.30 – 18.30 ~ Session III.3

Room 6 – Moderator Ana Bazac

Anton Adămuț • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Why Noica did not wrote an Ethics**

Petru Bejan • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Can We Define “Work of Art”?**

Victor Alexandru Pricopi • Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Nihilism and Western Values. From Gnostics to Martin Heidegger**

Marius Liviu Ciuraru • Ștefan cel Mare College, Bacău, Romania

**The Public Sphere and the Spirituality of Christian Tradition. Paradigm of Giuseppe Lazzati in a Secular Age**

18.30 – 20.30 ~ Dinner

# Sunday, June 22, 2014

9.00- 13.00 ~ Holy Liturgy / Cultural Tour of Iași (optional)

13.00 – 14.00 – Lunch

14.00 – 16.00 ~ Session IV.1

Conference Hall - Moderator Alexandru Tofan

Daniel Nica, Romanian Academy, Iași Branch

**Giving Yourself an Identity. Creation of Values and Creation of the Self in Nietzsche via Foucault**

Iulia Țuțuiianu, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Moral Fulfilment: A Necessity in the Present Days**

Mihaela Adriana Macsut, University of Bucharest, Romania

**About Human Condition and Spirituality**

Ștefan Grosu, University of Bucharest, Romania

**Pleading for Culture**

14.00 – 16.00 ~ Session IV.2

Room 1.2 – Moderator Anton Adămuț

Cristina Lucia Șutiu, Romanian Academy, Iași Branch

**The Role of National Values in Western Contemporary Political Propaganda**

Bharathi Thummapudi, S. P. Mahila University, India

**Dalit Experience: Contesting the Tradition**

Costel Matei, Romanian Academy, Iași Branch

**The connection between globalization and the emergence of a global society**

Dan Chițoiu, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași, Romania

**Meanings of Tradition and Today Role of Spirituality**

14.00 – 16.00 ~ Session IV.3

Room 6 – Moderator Petru Bejan

Kosichenko A.G., Institute of Philosophy, Kazakhstan

**Religion in the system of values of the coordinates of modernity**

Felix Olusanjo Olatunji, Ladoke Akintola University of Technology, Ogbomoso, Nigeria

**The Value and the Indispensability of Justice in the Quest for Development in Mediterranean Africa**

Sabin Totu, University of Bucharest, Romania

**Byzantine Icon and Spiritualization of Human**

Viorel Vizureanu, University of Bucharest, Romania

**The Play is Important, not the Actor: Cultural Globalization Theorizations and Their (Mis)Used Model of the Human Subject**

Liviu Petcu, Romanian Academy, Iași Branch

**The Reception of Hesychasm in Romanian Spirituality – Tradition and Present**

16.00 - 16.30 ~ Coffee Break

16.30 - 17.30 ~ ROUND TABLE: Values and Identity in the World of Today

17.30 - 18.00 ~ Closing Ceremony



