

Curriculum Vitae

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Date and place of birth: 30.11.1962, Negrești-Oaș, Satu Mare

Education:

Secondary education: The Philology-History High School Satu-Mare

University: Babeș-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Faculty of History and Philosophy, B.A. in History-Philosophy (1981-1985)

Postgraduate courses: *The State of the Art in Historical Studies: Putting Theories Into Practices*, CEU Summer University (July 26 – August 6, 1999)

Ph.D. in History (2001) with the thesis: *Catholicism and Romanian Population in the Mukačevo Diocese (End of the 17th - Beginning of the 19th Century)* – thesis supervisor, Prof. Dr. Pompiliu Teodor

Professional experience:

- History teacher at the Secondary School No. 20, Satu Mare (1985-1990)
- Assistant Lecturer at the Faculty of History and Philosophy of the Babeș-Bolyai University, Cluj (1990-1992)
- Senior Lecturer (2002 to the present day)

Current position: Dean of the Faculty of History and Philosophy of the Babeș-Bolyai University (since 2008)

Mobilities and study periods abroad

Paris, INALCO and Bibliothèque de la Sorbonne (December **1991**- March **1992**; September **2002**)

Budapest, Magyar Országos Levéltár and Central European University (October-November **1996**; July-August **1999**; February **2003**; June-July **2004**; January-February **2006**; February **2007**; February **2008**)

Rome, Archivio Segreto Vaticano and Archivio della S. Congregazione di Propaganda Fide (May-June **1998**; September-October **2000**)

Pisa, Università degli Studi di Pisa (May-June **2002**; June-July **2003**; May-June **2004**; June **2006**; July **2007**; July **2008**)

Beregovo-Ucraina, Zakarpatskii Oblastkoi Gasudarstvenii Arhiv (June **2002**; June **2003**; October **2003**)

Viena, Haus-, Hof - und Staatsarchiv (iulie-august **2006**)

Member of the editorial boards of the following journals:

Echinox (1983-1985)

Studia Universitatis Babeş-Bolyai. Historia

Colloquia. Journal of Central European History - Journal of the Institute of Central European Studies of the Babeş-Bolyai University

Member of the following research institutes:

Institute of Central European Studies, Cluj-Napoca – Director

The Ecclesiastical History Institute, Cluj-Napoca – Programme Director

Project leader of the research grant:

Local Communities, Confessional Identities. The Romanian Transylvanian Village between Orthodoxy and the Greek-Catholic Church. (at the Middle of the 18th Century) - CNCSIS – code 394 (A-Type Grant, 2004-2006)

Member of several research teams of research or educational projects

1. at national level:

- *The Towns in Transylvania, Banat, Sătmăr and Maramureş, Spaces for Confessional Alterity (16th to 19th Centuries)*, 2002-2004, CNCSIS-grant (Project leader: Senior Lecturer Dr. Maria Crăciun)

2. at international level:

- *Kirliche Union von Siebenbürgen* - international research project financed by the „Pro Oriente” Foundation, Vienna, Austria, 2001-2008;
- *The Shaping of Confessional Identity in East-Central Europe 14th-18th Centuries*, 2001-2004 - educational project. Partner institutions: Department of Medieval Studies, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary; Dipartimento di Storia, Università degli Studi di Pisa, Italy; School of Historical Studies, University of Birmingham, UK
- *Cultural Diversity and Contemporary Society: How to Teach History of East-Central Europe*, 2005-2008 – educational international project. Partner institutions: Department of Medieval Studies, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary; Dipartimento di Storia, Università degli Studi di Pisa, Italy; School of Historical Studies, University of Birmingham, UK

Organiser of conferences and scientific events:

- The international symposium „Ethnicity and Confession in East-Central Europe, Cluj, 1993 and 1995
- The international symposium „Church and Society in East-Central Europe, Cluj, 1997
- The international symposium „The Building of Confessional Identity in East-Central Europe”, Cluj, 1999
- The international symposium „Religious Orders: Clerical Discourse and Devotional Patterns in Central and Eastern Europe between the 14th and the 18th Centuries”, Cluj, 2001
- The international symposium „The Cult of Saints in Central and Eastern Europe (1400-1800)”, Cluj, 2003

Participation in international conferences and congresses:

Moscow - *Culturnîe sviazi narodov SSSR i Rumîinii: tradiții i sovremennost / Romanian – Russian Cultural Relationships: Tradition and Contemporaneity* (symposium organised by the Institute of Slavic and Balkan Studies of the Science Academy of the USSR, 17-21 June 1991

Paris - *Histoire sociale et sociologie des elites roumaines et tchecoslovaques au XXe siecle* (Symposium organised by INALCO), 19 December 1991

Bratislava – *Symposium* (Meeting of the “Mixed Romanian-Slovak Panel, organised by the „Slovak Academy”) 4-5 June 1997

Rome - *Etnia e confessione in Transilvania (secoli XVI-XIX)* (symposium organised by the „Accademia di Romania in Roma”), 30 November 1999

Vienna - *Forschungsvorhaben zur Siebenbürgener Kirchlichen Union* (the first symposium in the framework of a research project concerning the Church Union in Transylvania, financed by the „Pro Oriente” Foundation) 4-10 July 2001.

Gazzada - *Storia religiosa della Romania* (lectures given under the title „XXIV settimana europea”, event organised by the “Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore” Milan and the “Fondazione Ambrosiana Paolo VI”), 3-7 September 2002

Rome - *I romeni e la Santa Sede* (symposium organised by the “Accademia di Romania in Roma” in cooperation with “Centro Interuniversitario di Studi sull’Europa Centro-Orientale presso la Facoltà di Scienze Umanistiche dell’Università degli Studi di Roma “La Sapienza”), 10-11 December 2003

Nyíregyháza – *Rómából Hungariába*, Nemzetközi konferencia Joannes Josephus De Camelis (1641-1706) munkácsi püspök halálának 300. évfordulóján, Szent Atanáz Görög Katolikus Hittudományi Főiskola, Nyíregyháza, 2006, szeptember 29-30

Vienna – *4. Treffen der von Pro Oriente berufenen Arbeitsgemeinschaft zum Studium der Siebenbürgener kirchlichen Union*, 7-12 Mai 2007

Rome – *Un nuovo umanesimo per l’Europa. Il ruolo delle Università* (Incontro europeo dei docenti universitari in occasione del 50 anniversario dei Trattati di Roma), 21-24 June 2007

Nyíregyháza – *XVI. Szabolcs-Szatmár-Beregi nemzetközi levéltári napok*, 7-8 October 2009

Graz – *Provinz im Zeitalter der Aufklärung. Siebenbürgen und die Steiermark im Vergleich (Österreichisch-rumänisches Symposion)*, 6-8 May 2010

Graz – *13th International Congress for Eighteenth-Century Studies*, 25-29 July, 2011

Research areas, publications:

- **The Building of Confessional Identities** (the example offered by the Romanian Greek-Catholic communities in Habsburg Hungary and the Greek-Catholic Church from Transylvania)

- **Defining confessional particularities through catechesis**
- Relevant studies: *The first Greek Catholic Catechisms in Hungary and Transylvania*, in *Confessional Identity in East-Central Europe* (edited by Maria Crăciun, Ovidiu Ghitta and Graeme Murdock), Ashgate, 2002, pp. 153-167, ISBN 0-7546-0320-2; “Pânea pruncilor, context istoric, discurs și mize” (Bread of the Infants - Historical Context, Discourse and Significance), in *Pânea pruncilor sau Învățătura credinții creștinești strînsă în mică șumă, care o au scris în mici întrebăciuni și răspunsuri ungurești cinstitul Pater Boroneai Laslo* (Edition and philological research by Florina Ilis, historical research by Ovidiu Ghitta), Argonaut, 2008, CIX+136 p., ISBN 978-973-109-033-7
- **Institutional classification of communities**
- Relevant studies: *La prima visita a Mintiu (Szatmárnémeti) del vescovo De Camillis, in Da Roma in Hungaria. Atti del convegno nel terzo centenario della morte di Giovanni Giuseppe De Camillis vescovo di Munkács/Mukačevo (1689-1706)*, a cura di Tamás Végheő, Nyíregyháza, 2009, pp. 227-239, ISSN 2060-1603, ISBN 978-963-87809-3-5; *Les debuts de l'organisation de l'Eglise gréco-catholique roumaine au nord-ouest de la Transylvanie*, in *Ethnicity and Religion in Central and Eastern Europe*, Cluj, 1995, pp. 165-175, ISBN 973-96280-7-9; *La visite pastorale de l'éveque Manuel Olsavszky dans les comitats de Satu Mare et de Maramures (1751)*, in *Church and Society in Central and Eastern Europe*, Cluj, 1998, pp. 238-254, ISBN 973-98268-5-7; *Din antecedentele înființării provinciei mitropolitane greco-catolice românești: crearea vicariatului pentru “valahii” din dieceza de Muncaci (1776)*, (*On the Preliminary Stages of the Founding of the Romanian Greek-Catholic Ecclesiastical Province; the Founding of the Vicariate for the „Vlachs” in the Muncaci Bishopric (1776)*) in *Biserica română unită cu Roma, greco-catolică - istorie și spiritualitate*, Blaj, 2003, p. 285-295, ISBN 973-8452-30-9.
- **Relationships to the confessional alterity; the distinction from „the others”**
- Relevant studies: *Intrusi in uno spazio esclusivista: i “greci” di Mintiu*, in *Etnia e Confessione in Transilvania (secoli XVI-XX)*, a cura di Francesco Guida, Lithos editrice, Roma, 2000, pp. 29-37, ISBN 88-86584-50-4; *Un hotar între uniti și “latini”: sârbătoarea*, (A Boundary between the Uniates and the „Latins”: the Feast) in *Relații interetnice în zona de contact româno-maghiaro-ucraineană din secolul al XVIII-lea până în prezent*, Satu Mare-Tübingen, 1999, pp. 70-95, ISBN 973-98386-6-9; *Cum au ajuns românii să-și facă biserică la Baia Mare?* (How did the Romanians succeed to have a Church in Baia-Mare?) in *Artă, istorie, cultură. Studii în onoarea lui Marius Porumb*, Cluj-Napoca, 2003, pp. 303-315, ISBN 973-7951-27-1;

“Uniți de rit grec” și “schismatici” în Sătmar (în prima jumătate a secolului XVIII) („Uniates of Eastern Rite“ and „Schismatics” in Sătmar (in the first half of the 18th Century)), in *Tentația istoriei. În memoria Profesorului Pompiliu Teodor*, Cluj-Napoca, 2003, pp. 539-557, ISBN 973-610-224-6.

- **Instruction of the clergy**
- Relevant studies: *Formarea și reformarea clerului greco-catolic din comitatul Satu Mare în prima jumătate a secolului XVIII*, (Instruction and Reformation of the Greek-Catholic Clergy from the County of Satu Mare in the First Half of the 18th Century) in *Coordonatele preoției greco-catolice. Istorie și actualitate*, Blaj, 2002, pp. 149-159, ISBN, 973-8452-12-0; *La începuturile învățămîntului teologic greco-catolic din Monarhia Habsburgică: Școala de la Muncaci (1744)*, (At the Beginnings of the Greek-Catholic Theological Education in the Habsburg Monarchy: the Mukachevo School (1744), in *Școlile greco-catolice ale Blajului 250 de ani de credință și cultură*, Blaj, 2005, pp. 181-191, ISBN 973-8452-80-5.

- **Development of the regulatory framework**
- Relevant studies: *Din problematica morală la începutul secolului al XVIII-lea (cazuri din Maramureș și Sătmar)*, (On the Moral Issues at the Beginning of the 18th Century (Examples from Maramureș and Sătmar)) in *Anuarul Institutului de Istorie și Arheologie Cluj Napoca*, XXVIII, 1987-1988, pp. 467-475; *Apostazia sau despre calea fără de întoarcere*, (Apostasy or on the Path of no Return), in *Anuarul Institutului de Cercetări Socio-Umane “Gheorghe Șincai”, II*, Târgu-Mureș, 1999, pp. 92-104, ISSN 1454-5284; *Dezbateri privind scutirea clerului greco-catolic din Ungaria de sarcinile publice. Cazul Sătmarului (deceniul 3 al veacului XVIII)*, (Debates regarding the Exemption of the Greek-Catholic Clergy from Hungary from the Public Duties (the 3rd Decade of the 18th Century)) in *Relații româno-ucrainiene, istorie și contemporaneitate*, Satu Mare, 1999, pp. 261-277, ISBN 973-97339-4-8.