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**PROGRAMME**

**THE EU'S FUTURE:  
COHESION IN AN AGE OF INEQUALITIES**

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## **ABOUT THE EURINT CONFERENCE SERIES**

The EURINT conference series was launched by the Centre for European Studies, in 2013, in the frame of the Jean Monnet Life Long Learning Programme. Since 2013, the EURINT conference has established itself as a visible academic event in the field of European Studies and in this regard, we are pleased to develop it into a traditional conference series. The EURINT conference addresses those who show a genuine interest in enhancing a transnational research network. It usually comprises keynote lectures and panel debates involving international academic experts, followed by intensive Q&A sessions. The audience is strongly encouraged to take the floor and challenge speakers with their own views and reflections on the topics. The programme also includes parallel sessions during which the conference participants (researchers, students, young professionals, etc.) are expected to deliver presentations of their most recent research.

The Centre for European Studies is located in Iasi, Romania, which is one of the easternmost cities of the European Union, a very important academic centre in our country and also a cradle of Romanian history and culture. Our city could not only serve as a bridge between the West and East, but also as a starting point for developing stronger connections between our country, the European Union and our Eastern European friends from the neighbourhood.

## **THE EURINT 2026 CONFERENCE RATIONALE**

The European Union's next decade will be shaped by how effectively it reconciles ambition with fairness. Green and digital transitions, demographic shifts, security pressures, and prospective enlargement all set the premises for deep transformations, yet they risk expanding social and territorial inequalities if benefits and burdens are unevenly shared. A credible future for the EU requires an adapted and updated politics of cohesion: policies that empower people and places to thrive, reduce opportunity gaps, and sustain democratic trust. This conference invites a frank, multidisciplinary conversation on how the Union can modernize its growth model and governance to reduce inequalities, align investment with well-being, and ensure that no region or community is left behind.

EURINT 2026 will assemble academics, policymakers, practitioners, and civil society to co-design pragmatic pathways toward a more cohesive Europe. We will examine how to retune Cohesion Policy, strengthen cross-border cooperation and resilience in peripheral areas, and refine metrics beyond GDP to capture territorial and social progress. Beyond these tracks, we welcome contributions on enlargement and differentiated integration, urban–rural linkages, just transition mechanisms, migration and labour markets, data governance for policy evaluation, and innovative methods for measuring well-being.

The following special sessions will be organised during the conference:

**[-] Regional Pathways in the Green and Digital Transitions**

Chairs: Andrés Rodríguez-Pose (London School of Economics and Political Science); Alexandra Sandu (London School of Economics and Political Science); Maria Tsouri (Western Norway University of Applied Sciences)

**[-] Mechanisms of Inequality: Organizational, Technological, and Institutional Dynamics in Contemporary Europe**

Chairs: Oana Carmen Țugulea; Diana Danaila; Elena Silvas (Constantin) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)

**[-] CITY-Focus special session**

Chairs: Alexandru Banica, Cristian Incaltarau, (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)

**[-] SAGES special session**

Chairs: Ramona Tiganasu, Bogdan-Constantin Ibanescu (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)

**[-] Democratic Resilience and the EU's Future at its Eastern Borders: Institutional Transformation in Times of Geopolitical Uncertainty**

Chairs: Loredana Simionov (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania), Cristian Nitoiu (Loughborough University London)

**[-] About Europe - Young researcher Special session - dedicated to bachelor and master students awarded within the Students scientific sessions in European studies**

Chairs: Bogdan Ibanescu & Ciprian Alupului (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)

## **PRACTICAL INFORMATION**

### **VENUE**

The registration and the opening ceremony will be held at the **Building A**

The panels and parallel sessions will be held in **Building i**

### **PRESENTATION**

The panels will be chaired by external scholars. Each participant will have 15 minutes for the presentation. Chairpersons will be strict in respecting the speaking time. Paper discussions will take place after each presentation. We strongly encourage you to prepare a PowerPoint for your presentation (& pdf version).

! The certificates will be issued only for the papers presented in the conference.

### **LOGISTICS**

If you have any queries about the conference or you need other practical information, the team is there to assist you. You can send a message to [eurint.conference@gmail.com](mailto:eurint.conference@gmail.com) or write us on Facebook @eurint or WhatsApp 0750411344.

## EURINT 2026 PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

### Thursday, 14 May

17:00 | Welcoming session

### Friday, 15 May

**08:30-09.00** | **Registration**  
Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi ■ Senate Hall, Building A

**09:00-10.45** | **OPENING CEREMONY & KEYNOTE LECTURES**  
Senate Hall ■ Building A

10.45 | Coffee break

**11.00-13.00** | **EURINT Panel** | Senate Hall ■ Building A

13:00 | Lunch – Hall of the Lost Steps ■ Building A

**14:00-15.45** | **City-Focus Workshop** | Ferdinand Room ■ Building A

**14:00-18.30** | **Special & Parallel sessions** ■ Building A&I

15.45 | Coffee break

20:00 | DINNER: **Trai Restaurant** (Fundacul Gavriil Musicescu 3, 700127 Iasi)

### Saturday, 16 May

**09.00-10.45** | **SAGES Workshop** ■ Building I

**09.00-13.00** | **Special & Parallel sessions** ■ Building I

10.45 | Coffee break

13:00 | Lunch – Building I

**Friday, 15 May**

## **OPENING CEREMONY**

🕒 Friday, 15 May • 9.00 ■ **Senate Hall –Building A**

### **Welcoming remarks**

- **Nicoleta POPA**, Vice-Rector, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania
- **Carmen MOLDOVAN**, Vice-Dean, Faculty of Law
- **Gabriela Carmen PASCARIU**, Director, Centre for European Studies

### **EURINT Lectures**

- **Sébastien BOURDIN**, IESEG School of Management (France)  
*Beyond GDP and Territorial Cohesion: Well-Being, Trust and Regional Malaise in Europe*
- **Andrés RODRÍGUEZ-POSE**, London School of Economics (United Kingdom)  
*AI for Regional Development and Innovation*

## **EURINT PANEL: European regions facing multiple shocks: the EU's future Cohesion Policy**

🕒 Friday, 15 May • 11.00 ■ **Senate Hall – Building A**

- **Andrea Antonio CARAGLIU**, Politecnico di Milano, Italy
- **Francesco MOLICA**, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium
- **Alessandra de RENZIS**, Gran Sasso Science Institute, Italy
- **Bogdan-Constantin IBANESCU**, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania

Moderator: **Gabriela Carmen PASCARIU**, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania

## EURINT WORKSHOPS AND SESSIONS

### Friday, 15 May

#### **CITY-FOCUS Workshop** | Shaping Smarter Cities: the CITY-FOCUS Experience

🕒 14.00 ● Ferdinand Room - Building A

#### **CITY-FOCUS Special Session**

🕒 16.00 ● Ferdinand Room - Building A

#### **EURINT Special Session** | Mechanisms of Inequality: Organizational, Technological, and Institutional Dynamics in Contemporary Europe

🕒 14:00 ● ROOM ĩ.1, Building ĩ

#### **EURINT Session** | Economic Development, Cohesion and Public Policy Challenges in Europe

🕒 14:00 ● ROOM ĩ.3, Building ĩ

#### **EURINT Session** | Digital Transformation, Artificial Intelligence and Governance in the EU

🕒 14:00 ● ROOM ĩ.2, Building ĩ

#### **EURINT Session** | Governance and Cohesion Challenges in the European Union

🕒 14:00 ● Online

### Saturday, 16 May

#### **SAGES Workshop** | Shaping Smarter Cities: the CITY-FOCUS Experience

🕒 09.00 ● ROOM ĩ.1, Building ĩ

#### **SAGES Special Session**

🕒 11.00 ● ROOM ĩ.1, Building ĩ

#### **EURINT session** ● Cohesion Policy, Governance and Socio-Economic Transformations in the EU

🕒 09:00 ● ROOM ĩ.2, Building ĩ

#### **EURINT Session** ● EU Resilience, Integration and Strategic Transformations

🕒 10:00 ● ONLINE

#### **Special session** ● Regional Pathways in the Green and Digital Transitions

🕒 11:00 ● ROOM ĩ.4, Building ĩ

#### **ResEast Special session** ● Democratic Resilience and the EU's Future at its Eastern Borders

🕒 11:00 ● ROOM ĩ.3, Building ĩ

## DETAILED PROGRAMME

### CITY-FOCUS Special Session

🕒 Friday, 15 May • 16:00 ■ **Ferdinand Room - Building A**

**Chairs:** Alexandru BĂNICĂ, Cristian ÎNCĂLȚĂRAU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)

- 📄 [Andrea CARAGLIU](#) (Politecnico di Milano), [Martijn SMIT](#) (Utrecht University), [Frank van OORT](#) (Erasmus University Rotterdam) - *Coagglomeration and consumption amenities*
- 📄 [Alexandru BĂNICĂ](#), [Ionel MUNTELE](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania; Romanian Academy, Iasi Branch, Geographic Research Centre), [Manuel FOȘALĂU](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *A vulnerability-opportunity framework to assess changes in European cities' resilience*
- 📄 [Alexandru BĂNICĂ](#), [Cristian ÎNCĂLȚĂRAU](#), [Cristian-Manuel FOȘALĂU](#), [Oliver-Valentin DINTER](#), [Georgiana VĂCULIȘTEANU](#), [Ana-Maria OPRIA](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *The Transformative Resilience Atlas – an instrument to decode current challenges in urban sustainability*
- 📄 [Carina BRANZILA](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania), [Alin RUBNICU](#) (Gheorghe Asachi University of Iasi, Romania) - *Empowering sustainable smart cities in economically challenged regions*
- 📄 [Tomaz Ponce DENTINHO](#) (Universidade dos Açores, Portugal), [Karima KOURTIT](#) (Open University, The Netherlands), [Ioana Maria COSTEA](#), [Mihaela TOFAN](#), [Irina CLIPCA](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania), [Peter NIJKAMP](#) (Erasmus University Rotterdam – EHERO, The Netherlands) - *A place-based sustainability assessment of local resources – A generalized Q analysis using a butterfly model*
- 📄 [Valerica GREAVU-ȘERBAN](#), [Marin FOTACHE](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *From fragmented data to data-driven urban governance. A replicable dashboard model for multilevel vulnerability assessment*
- 📄 [Mihaela TOFAN](#), [Ioana Maria COSTEA](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Legal pathways and public policy evolution in urban Romania: An empirical analysis of legislative impact on governance and citizen experience*
- 📄 [Ștefan-Catalin TOPLICEANU](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Vulnerable or resilient? An assessment of Romania's counties regarding energy supply*
- 📄 [Visar MALAJ](#) (University of Tirana, Albania), [Elma ÇALI](#) (Institute of Statistics, Albania) - *EU integration and youth migration intentions in the Western Balkans: Insights from the Albanian case*
- 📄 [Ciprian ALUPULUI](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Citizen perceptions and the quality of urban governance*
- 📄 [Alexandru PAVEL](#) (Babes-Bolyai University, Romania), [Bogdan-Constantin IBANESCU](#) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *From territorial captivity to connectivity: Uneven impacts of rural infrastructure investments in left-behind rural areas*

## EURINT Special Session • Mechanisms of Inequality: Organizational, Technological, and Institutional Dynamics in Contemporary Europe

🕒 Friday, 15 May • 14:00 ■ ROOM I.1, Building I

**Chairs:** Oana Carmen ȚUGULEA; Diana DĂNĂILĂ; Elena SILVAȘ (CONSTANTIN) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)

- 📄 Augustin Marius AXINTE (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Early digital education and its potential role in shaping economic inequality in Romania*
- 📄 Alina-Maria BĂSU, Irina-Constanta THEODORU, Lucian BARBACARU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Challenging inequalities in studying the effects of AI generated images. A methodological framework for integrating implicit and explicit measures*
- 📄 Beatrice BARBOS (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Managing flow state in an unequal digitally fragmented work environment*
- 📄 Raluca BĂRZU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Entrepreneurship and regional inequality in Romania: Organizational and institutional drivers of uneven growth*
- 📄 Iustin-Madalin CHIHAIA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Revisiting the diversity–performance relationship: Organizational mechanisms and the role of human resource management practices*
- 📄 Andreea-Isabella CINCA (MOROȘANU) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Entrepreneurs' perceptions of microenterprise financing programs*
- 📄 Diana DĂNĂILĂ (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Artificial intelligence as a mechanism of organizational inequality*
- 📄 Iustin GOPSA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Sanctions, strategic reorientation and macroeconomic inequalities: The case of the Republic of Moldova in its European integration path*
- 📄 Anca-Emilia IOJĂ, Cristian POPESCU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Can digitalization reduce the shadow economy? Evidence on the moderating effect of institutions*
- 📄 Iulia POSTOLACHI (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *The digital native paradox: Mechanisms of inequality in personal cybersecurity*
- 📄 Elena SILVAȘ (CONSTANTIN) (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *The role of third-party risk management platforms in translating due diligence requirements into business*
- 📄 Ștefan SMILSCHI (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *The urban-rural developmental divide in the European Union. How can we help villages and small towns integrate and develop in a city-dominated world?*
- 📄 Ionut-Petre STOICA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Inequality of administrative capacity and digital skills in local administration in Romania – A pixelated Digital Decade 2030 picture*
- 📄 Nicoleta-Raluca TELEMAN (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Rural entrepreneurship under structural uncertainty: Adaptive mechanisms and community-level implications*
- 📄 Adriana TUDURUȚĂ (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Bullying manifestation in Romanian schools: a qualitative-ecological analysis of influencing factors*
- 📄 Ana Iolanda VODĂ, Diana DĂNĂILĂ, Andrei Ștefan NEȘTIAN (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Drivers of digital competitiveness in European SMEs: The role of technological and institutional disparities*

**EURINT Session • Economic Development and Public Policy Challenges in Europe**

🕒 Friday, 15 May • 14:00 ■ **ROOM I.3, Building I**

**Chairs:** Norbert PETROVICI (Babes-Bolyai University, Romania), Georgeana-Ionela CAUTIȘ (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania),

- 📄 Aurelian Andrei AGAFIȚEI, Mariana HATMANU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Comparative analysis of determinants of school performance in Romania and other European countries*
- 📄 Aliona BALAN (Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova, Republic of Moldova) - *Energy vulnerability, territorial cohesion, and structural constraints: Behavioral responses to compensation policies in the Republic of Moldova*
- 📄 Georgeana-Ionela CAUTIȘ, Gabriela Carmen PASCARIU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Selective transposition of the European Green Deal: Institutional mechanisms and regional inequalities in Romania's cohesion policy*
- 📄 Sergiu CEAUȘ, Elena CIOCHINA (Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova, Republic of Moldova) - *Resilience of the banking sector of the Republic of Moldova in the context of the European Banking Union model: Legislative convergence and institutional integration*
- 📄 Elena CIOCHINA (Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova, Republic of Moldova) - *EU approximation and social cohesion: What Moldova's association path reveals about the limits of legislative convergence*
- 📄 Dorin Marian CODINĂ, Ana-Maria GIURGI (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Explaining foreign direct investment inflows in Romania, a quantitative analysis*
- 📄 Oana-Maria COZMA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Romanian labour migration in EU: Motivations across education levels*
- 📄 Nicoleta-Ștefania DRĂGAN (Bucharest Academy of Economic Studies, Romania) - *Demographic decline and social inequalities*
- 📄 Ana-Maria GHERCA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Organizational resilience and EU Cohesion Policy: A literature review*
- 📄 Ana-Maria GIURGI, Ionut-Andrei PRICOP (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *What influence household savings? Evidence from European Union countries*
- 📄 Marian Romeo GUIU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Tax amnesty, a determinant of increasing the degree of voluntary compliance in paying taxes and taxes and reducing tax evasion*
- 📄 Alexandru-Costel MANOLEA, Andreea-Oana IACOBUȚĂ-MIHĂIȚĂ (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *The mechanism of firm resilience in the context of crises: A qualitative analysis*
- 📄 Norbert PETROVICI (Babes-Bolyai University, Romania), Catalin Augustin STOICA (National School of Political and Administrative Studies, Romania) - *Mechanism switching in territorial electoral orders: Coordination disruption and phase-dependent mediation in Romania*

**EURINT Session • Digital Transformation, Artificial Intelligence and Governance in the EU**

🕒 Friday, 15 May • 14:00 ■ **ROOM I.4, Building I**

**Chairs:** Raluca ONUFREICIUC (Nicolae Titulescu University of Bucharest, Romania; Panthéon-Assas University Paris II, France), Ciprian-Florin DASCALU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)

- 📄 **Andreea Cosmina FOCA** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Implications of the low level of digital skills in the context of accelerated digitalization in Romania*
- 📄 **Elena MÎRZA** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Hybrid work and organizational culture: a quantitative cross-section analysis in the European Union*
- 📄 **Laura-Ştefania BOGDAN** (National School of Political and Administrative Studies, Romania), **Ionut-Andrei PRICOP** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Economic freedom, knowledge management and AI adoption: A panel approach on European countries*
- 📄 **Craita-Maria ROMAŞCU** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *The emergence of European AI chatbots and the consolidation of digital sovereignty in the European Union*
- 📄 **Mircea-Alexandru ROŞU**, **Patricea Elena BERTEA** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *The fallacy of "Content is King" in the AI era: Generative engine optimization, zero-click searches, and the shift to entity authority*
- 📄 **Virgil STOICA**, **Horia DARABAN** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *When ambitious public policies collide with the laws of physics: The European Green Deal*
- 📄 **Ciprian-Florin DASCALU**, **Diana DĂNĂILĂ**, **Ana-Maria GIURGI** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Twin transition in CEE SMEs: How digital readiness and AI adoption shape higher-value circularity*
- 📄 **Raluca ONUFREICIUC** (Nicolae Titulescu University of Bucharest, Romania; Panthéon-Assas University Paris II, France) - *Administrative jurisdictions in the age of AI: Rethinking competition authorities for coordinated and accountable governance*

**EURINT Session • Governance and Cohesion Challenges in the European Union**

🕒 Friday, 15 May • 14:00 ■ ONLINE

**Chairs:** Aurel LAZĂR (George Emil Palade University of Medicine, Pharmacy, Science, and Technology of Targu Mures, Romania)

- 📄 Andrei DASCĂLU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Local public investments in times of crisis. An insight into planning, financing and optimizing investment spending*
- 📄 Emilian FERARU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Managerial non-adoption of remote IT services: An asymmetry-based explanation inspired by Taleb*
- 📄 Ancuta Elena FRANȚ (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Drone technology and legal frameworks: Emerging challenges*
- 📄 Alin-Alexandru GOROVEI (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Motivation as a tool for reducing organizational inequalities in Romania's Special Forces*
- 📄 Aurel LAZĂR (George Emil Palade University of Medicine, Pharmacy, Science, and Technology of Targu Mures, Romania) - *Choosing allies through contracts: From the Thomson-Houston–General railway signal dispute (Cernavoda) to contemporary US–French competition in Romania's strategic procurement*
- 📄 Alexandru Ionut PASARICA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Reducing decision inequalities in high-option digital markets: A pareto-based structuring approach*
- 📄 Elena POPESCU, Georgiana DRĂGHICI, Delia DUMINICĂ (National University of Science and Technology POLITEHNICA Bucharest, Romania) - *Micro- and macro-expressions in nonverbal communication: Usefulness for detecting AI fake images*
- 📄 Adriana-Daniela GIURCĂ (POPESCU) (University of Bucharest, Romania) - *Rural educational disadvantage and early school leaving in Romania: A challenge for EU social cohesion*
- 📄 Ionut Cosmin GALBEN (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Fraud using AI in HR processes*
- 📄 Dumitru-Catalin VASILE (National School of Political and Administrative Studies, Romania) - *The AI divide: Upgrading EU Cohesion Policy to prevent a new technological core-periphery divergence*

**SAGES Special Session**

🕒 Saturday, 16 May • 11:00 • 🏢 **ROOM i.1, Building i**

**Chairs:** Ramona TIGANASU, Bogdan-Constantin IBANESCU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania)

- 📄 Mihaela CLINCU, Gabriela Carmen PASCARIU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Cultural determinants of well-being. Micro-level evidence from Romania*
- 📄 Mioara CRISTEA (Heriot-Watt University, United Kingdom), Oara PRUNDEANU, Alexandra GHEORGHIU, Daniela Victoria ZAHARIA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Antecedents of environmental engagement: The role of self-affirmation interventions on predicting pro-environmental intentions*
- 📄 Bogdan-Constantin IBANESCU, Alexandra GHEORGHIU, Daniela-Andreia DAMIAN (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania), Philippe JEAN-PIERRE (Université de La Réunion, France) - *Measuring wellbeing in the European regions: Developing an instrument adapted for the ultraperipheral regions*
- 📄 Carmen MOLDOVAN (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *The legal architecture of well-being in Europe*
- 📄 Oara PRUNDEANU, Alexandra GHEORGHIU, Daniela Victoria ZAHARIA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania), Mioara CRISTEA (Heriot-Watt University, United Kingdom) - *The many faces of narcissism: Distinct pathways to pro-environmental engagement*
- 📄 Daniela Victoria ZAHARIA, Alexandra GHEORGHIU, Oara PRUNDEANU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania), Mioara CRISTEA (Heriot-Watt University, UK) - *Predictors of voting preferences among Romanian young voters: The role of well-being and exposure to political information on social media*
- 📄 Gabriela Carmen PASCARIU, Carmen PINTILESCU, Ramona TIGANASU, Alexandra GROSU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Government quality and well-being: what kind of relationship?*

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**EURINT session • Cohesion Policy, Governance and Socio-Economic Transformations  
in the European Union and its Neighbourhood**

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🕒 Saturday, 16 May • 9:00 ■ **ROOM I.2, Building I**

**Chairs:** Alina BOTEZAT (Romanian Academy, Iasi Branch), Aurika PASKAR (Yuriy Fedkovych Chernivtsi National University, Ukraine)

- 📄 **Vittorio RUSSO** (Sapienza University of Rome, Italy) - *Romania between geopolitics and Cohesion Policy: Strategic investments and territorial convergence in Eastern Europe*
- 📄 **Gabriel BARRÈS** (Université de Rouen, France) - *Beyond territorialisation? Just Transition Fund implementation and recent trends in EU regional policy*
- 📄 **Malvina HOXHA** (Catholic University Our Lady of Good Counsel, Albania) - *Albanian pharmacovigilance system and its harmonization with European Union legislation: What is the current status?*
- 📄 **Daniela-Tatiana AGHEORGHIESEI, Thi Hong Nga NGUYEN** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Digital transformation and ethical nursing practice in Europe: A scoping review of ethical challenges in European healthcare governance*
- 📄 **Nelia SAVCHYN** (Yuriy Fedkovych Chernivtsi National University, Ukraine) - *The impact of substantive law on the objectives of civil proceedings*
- 📄 **Andrei SIDOROV** (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Inflation before and after “inflation”*
- 📄 **Ioana-Florina MAN (RUSSU-COLDEA)** (Babes-Bolyai University, Romania) - *Recalibrating EU Cohesion Policy in the age of artificial intelligence: Education, inequality, and historical legacies in a place-sensitive Europe*
- 📄 **Aurika PASKAR** (Yuriy Fedkovych Chernivtsi National University, Ukraine) - *Electronic communication between courts and parties in administrative proceedings: Ukrainian practice in a European context*
- 📄 **Alina BOTEZAT** (Romanian Academy, Iasi Branch), **Mariana BUCIUCEANU-VRABIE, Elena SIRBU, Olga POALELUNGI, Tatiana TABAC, Svetlana RUSU** (Academy of Economic Studies of Moldova, Republic of Moldova), **Aurelian Petrus PLOPEANU, Vicentiu GABOR, Delia SCRIPCARIU** (Romanian Academy, Iasi Branch; Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Between exchange and emigration: A scoping review of student mobility in Central, Eastern, and South-Eastern Europe*

## EURINT Session • EU Resilience, Integration and Strategic Transformations in a Changing Global Context

🕒 Saturday, 16 May • 10:00 RO time ■ ONLINE

**Chairs:** Edina Lilla MESZAROS (University of Oradea, Romania)

- 📄 Irina-Maria COSMA (Babes-Bolyai University, Romania) - *The Syrian civil war and migration crisis: Türkiye's strategic role, implications for EU stability and perspectives of post-conflict reconstruction*
- 📄 Berit EBERT (Bard College Berlin, Germany) - *Agency through integration: The Single Market, fundamental rights, and the reshaping of gender norms in the EU*
- 📄 Gentian ELEZI (University of Tirana, Albania) - *Increasing cohesion or fragmentation? Discussing convergence of the Western Balkans in their path towards EU membership.*
- 📄 Jonila GABRANI, Mateo SPAHO, Emirgena NIKOLLI, Rexhina MYRTA, Selami XHEPA (European University of Tirana, Albania) - *Student mobility and human capital circulation in a small post-transition system: Evidence from Albanian imbalance of outbound and inbound flows (2000–2024)*
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- 📄 Jana STOCKBAUER (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Conceptual framework – Hedge funds and their Implications for financial stability*
- 📄 Amine HADJTAIEB (University of Sfax), Chaima TAKTAK (University of Sfax, Tunisia) - *On the far side of regenerative cellular design: integration of neurourbanism and nanomaterials from living system in the anthropocene era*
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- 📄 Edina Lilla MÉSZÁROS, Constantin Vasile ȚOCA (University of Oradea, Romania) - *Resilience under pressure: Romania's strategic response to Russian hybrid threats and foreign interference*

**Special session • Regional Pathways in the Green and Digital Transitions**

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**Chairs:** Andrés RODRÍGUEZ-POSE (London School of Economics, UK); Alexandra SANDU (London School of Economics, UK); Maria TSOURI (Western Norway University of Applied Sciences)

- 📄 Alessandra de RENZIS (Gran Sasso Science Institute, Italy), André TORRE (University of Paris-Saclay, France) - *Territorial governance at test: Its relations with development opportunities - The example of Italian peripheral areas*
- 📄 Bogdan-Constantin IBANESCU, Alexandra GHEORGHIU, Ioana-Maria URSACHE, Gabriela Carmen PASCARIU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Equaliser or divider? Questioning the societal impacts of digitalisation policies*
- 📄 Iuliana MOCANAŞ (Babes-Bolyai University, Romania) - *Divergent paths of regional adaptive resilience: A comparative approach of adaptive capacity in Cluj-Napoca and Iasi*
- 📄 Liviu-George MAHA, Ştefan-Catalin TOPLICEANU, Elena-Daniela VIORICĂ (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Delivering the green transition in Europe: Energy dependency, structural asymmetries, and transition capacity across EU member states*
- 📄 Maria TSOURI, Ahmed Amine EL AZHARY, Simon NORHEIM COLCLOUGH (Western Norway University of Applied Sciences, Norway), Evangelia PETRAKI, Panagiotis SKARTADOS, Andreas PANAGOPOULOS (University of Crete, Greece) - *Making sense of the Twin Transition: A Gioia-based, LLM-enhanced analysis of European labour-market policies*
- 📄 Francesco MOLICA, Anabela SANTOS (Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium) - *Do green innovation subsidies deliver everywhere? Evidence from environmental patenting in EU regions*
- 📄 Maria SUPERA-MARKOWSKA (University of Warsaw, Poland) - *Taxing for cohesion: New own resources for the EU budget*
- 📄 Andrés RODRÍGUEZ-POSE, Alexandra SANDU (London School of Economics, United Kingdom) - *Do institutions shape the twin transition? Exploring governance and regional divergence*

## ResEast Special session • Democratic Resilience and the EU's Future at its Eastern Borders: Institutional Transformation in Times of Geopolitical Uncertainty

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- 📄 Nadiia BUREIKO (Foreign Policy Council 'Ukrainian Prism', Ukraine), Teodor Lucian MOGA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Minority rights and regional stability: the Ukrainian-Romanian bilateral agenda*
- 📄 Teodor Lucian MOGA, Bogdan CEOBANU (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Between rhetoric and reality: Path dependence and the limits of Romania's foreign policy activism*
- 📄 Ion MUȘCHEI (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *Democratic resilience and the EU's future at its Eastern borders: Institutional transformation in times of geopolitical uncertainty*
- 📄 Norbert PETROVICI (Babes-Bolyai University, Romania), Sébastien BOURDIN (IESEG School of Management, France); Florin POENARU (University of Bucharest, Romania) - *Three votes, two shifts: Valuation regimes, infrastructures, and territorial reconfiguration in Romania's 2024-2025 presidential elections*
- 📄 Irina CLIPCA (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Iasi, Romania) - *Democratization under Pressure: Crises and Democratic Resilience in Eastern Europe*
- 📄 Nadiia BUREIKO (Foreign Policy Council 'Ukrainian Prism', Ukraine) - *Science and expert diplomacy in wartime: Mapping Ukraine's soft power practices*
- 📄 Iryna TATULYCH (University of Chernivtsi, Ukraine) - *Digitalisation of civil justice in Ukraine: Key aspects and prospects for implementation*
- 📄 Ciprian ALUPULUI (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *EU enlargement and security at the eastern borders: democratic resilience and institutional transformation*
- 📄 Lucian DÎRDALĂ (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania) - *The United Kingdom and the early stages of European integration: attitudes and policies (1951-1954)*
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