# International Conference THE FIRST WORLD WAR IN HISTORICAL AND HISTORIOGRAPHICAL PERSPECTIVE

# Tuesday, June 3, 2014

Aula Magna, Babeş-Bolyai University, Mihail Kogălniceanu St. no. 1

16,00-16,15 Official opening

Speakers:

Academician Professor Dr. Ioan-Aurel Pop, Rector of Babeş-Bolyai University and Director of the Center for Transylvanian Studies of the Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca

Senior Lecturer Dr. **GHEORGHE COJOCARU**, Director of the Institute of History of the Science Academy of the Republic of Moldova, Chişinău

16,15-17,30 Plenary session. Discussions

Chairpersons: PROF. DR. RUDOLF GRÄF, PROF. DR. IOAN BOLOVAN

Prof. dr. **Gheorghe lacob** (Vice-rector of Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Iaşi), The Second "Hundred Years' War" (1914-2014). Romania and Its Geopolitical Issues

Prof. dr. **Nicolae Bocşan** (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Center for Transylvanian Studies, The Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca), *The Memoirs of the Romanians from the First World War: The Reasons for their Writing* 

Prof. univ. dr. **Gheorghe Cliveti** (Director of A. D. Xenopol Institute of History of the Romanian Academy, Iaşi division, Faculty of History, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Iaşi), *The Triple Alliance, Romania and the Origins of the First World War: Some Historiographical Notes* 

17,30-17,45 Coffee Break

17.45-19.15 Plenary session, Discussions

Chairpersons: PROF. DR. MIHAI DRECIN, PROF. DR. NICOLAE BOCŞAN

Prof. dr. Vasile Vesa (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University), The Position and the Role Played by Romanian Diplomacy on the Eve of WWI

Senior Lecturer Dr. **Gheorghe Cojocaru** (Director of the Institute of History of the Science Academy of the Republic of Moldova, Chişinău), *Constantin Stere and the Issue of Bessarabia in the Context of the Talks Regarding Romania's Foreign Orientation before it Entered the War* 

Dr. Sebastian Huluban (Romanian Government, Bucharest), EXITIUM IMPERII: The Eastern Front and the Destruction of Supranational Loyalties Prof. dr. Adrian-Silvan Ionescu (Director of G. Oprescu Institute of Art History, The Romanian Academy, National Arts University, Bucharest), Servicemen and Photographers: Amateur Snapshots on the Romanian Front (1916–1918)

19,30 Opening of the exhibition "Transylvanians in the Great War. 1914 – Answering the Emperor's Call" at the History Museum of Babeş-Bolyai University, Mihail Kogălniceanu St. no. 4

Hosts:

Senior Lecturer Dr. **Ana Victoria Sima**, Director of the Academic Heritage Unit of Babes-Bolyai University

Scientific Researcher II Dr. **Marius Eppel**, Head of the Museums Office at Babeş-Bolyai University

20,00 Cocktail at the Pyramid Restaurant, Faculty House, Em. de Martonne St. no. 1

# Wednesday, June 4, 2014

# Aula Ferdinand

9,00-11,00 Section I

Chairpersons: PROF. DR. GHEORGHE IACOB,
SENIOR LECTURER DR. IOAN MARIUS BUCUR

Research Assistant Dr. Adrian-Bogdan Ceobanu (A. D. Xenopol Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Iaşi, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University), Romanian-Russian Relations in the Context of the Outbreak of World War I Scientific Researcher I Dr. Daniela Buşă (Nicolae lorga Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Bucharest), "To Go or Not to Go": Political Leaders and Their Opinions on the Attitude of Romania (July-December 1914) Dr. Daniel-Valeriu Boboc (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Iaşi), Elections for Reforms before the War: the Elections from 1914 at Iaşi. Case Study PhD candidate Emanul Ineoan (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), Romanian Diplomacy in Albania at the Beginning of World War I

Senior Lecturer Dr. Maria Danilov (Institute of History of the Science Academy of the Republic of Moldova, Chişinău), *The Bessarabian Issue in Diplomatic Correspondence Between 1914 and 1916 (From the Archives of Tsarist Russia)* 

#### Francisc Pall Room

9,00-11,00 Section II

Chairpersons: prof. dr. George Cipăianu, prof. dr. Eriks Jekabsons

PhD candidate **Cosmin Constantin Ionit** (Faculty of History, Bucharest University), *Defying a Great Power: The Image of Serbia in the Romanian Press during the First Part of the Crisis of July* 1914

PhD candidate **CARMEN TAGSOREAN** (Faculty of Political, Administrative and Communication Sciences, the Center for International Cooperation, Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), *The Romanian Position during the Neutrality Years of WWI under the Magnifying Glass of the Romanian Press in Transylvania* 

Assistant Researcher **Bernhard Bachinger** (Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for the Investigation of the Consequences of the War, University of Graz, Austria), *Bulgaria's Entry into WWI As Reflected in the (Central Power-) Historiography* 

Senior Lecturer Dr. Ana Victoria Sima (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), PhD candidate Daniela Dumulescu

(Faculty of Psychology and Education Sciences, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), *Three Months on the Galician Front: The Phenomenology of War* 

Scientific Researcher I Dr. CĂTĂLIN TURLIUC (A. D. Xenopol Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Iasi), Perceptions of World War I

11,00-11,20 Coffee Break

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11,20-13,20 Section III

Chairpersons: PROF. DR. GHEORGHE CLIVETI,

SENIOR LECTURER DR. GHEORGHE COJOCARU

Researcher Dr. **Tudor Ciobanu** (Institute of History of the Science Academy of the Republic of Moldova, Chişinău), *Russian Imperial Policy Towards Ethnic Minorities in Basarabia during the First World War* 

Scientific Researcher I Dr. **Mihai Ştefan Ceauşu** (A. D. Xenopol Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Iaşi), *Bukovina, Object of Military and Diplomatic Disputes*. 1914–1918

Dr. Maria Aurelia Diaconu (Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), German Occupation in the Oltenia Region, 1916–1914

Senior Lecturer Dr. **Constantin Ungureanu** (Institute of History of the Science Academy of the Republic of Moldova, Chişinău), *Projects and Proposals for a Partition of Bukovina during World War I* 

Lecturer Dr. Constantin Stan (Lower Danube University, Galați), The Military Failure of the Central Powers in the Balkans at the End of 1918

#### Francisc Pall Room

11,20-13,20 SECTION IV

Chairpersons: Scientific Researcher I Dr. Cătălin Turliuc.

#### DR. SEBASTIAN HULUBAN

PhD candidate **PAOLO TOMASELIA** (Babeş-Bolyai University, Regional Heritage Institute of Friuli, Venezia Giulia, Italia) *The Role of Friulian Emigrants in the Formation of the "Romanian Legion of Italy"* 

Lecturer Dr. **Giordano Altarozzi** (Department of History and International Relations, Petru Maior University, Târgu-Mureş), *Cultural and Political Debate in Spain during the First World War* 

Lecturer Dr. Valeria Soroştineanu (Faculty of Socio-Human Sciences, Department of History and Heritage, Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu), The Orthodox Military Priests of the Archdiocese of Transylvania during WWI PhD candidate Ionela Zaharia (Institute of History, Karl Franzens University of Graz, Austria, Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), The Romanian Military Clergy from Austria-Hungary: Their Activities on the Italian Front

Prof. dr. Ioan Bolovan (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Center for Transylvanian Studies, Cluj-Napoca), Scientific Researcher II Dr. Marius Eppel (Center for Population Studies, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), Between Public and Private: The Church and the Romanians of Transylvania during WW I

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15.00-17.00 SECTION V

Chairpersons: Scientific Researcher I Dr. Mihai Ştefan Ceauşu,
Prof. dr. Toader Nicoară

Scientific Researcher Dr. LIVIU BRĂTESCU (A. D. Xenopol Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Iaşi), Crises and Political Reforms in Times of War: Romania in 1917

Senior Lecturer Dr. **Gheorghe Negru** (Institute of History of the Science Academy of the Republic of Moldova, Chişinău), *The First World War and the Bessarabian National Movement* 

Senior Lecturer Dr. **DINU POŞTARENCU** (Institute of History of the Science Academy of the Republic of Moldova, Chişinău), *The Crisis Caused by the Criminal Actions of the Russian Military Rout in Bessarabia* (Second Half of 1917 – Early 1918)

Dr. **Anca Filipovici** (Center for International Cooperation, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), *Bukovina between East and West. Perspectives at the End of the Great War in a Pan-Identitary Province* 

Assistant Researcher Dr. Manuela Marin (West University, Timişoara), After the Great War: The Muslim Seminary of Medgidia in Greater Romania

#### Francisc Pall Room

15.00-17.00 Section VI

Chairpersons: Scientific Researcher III Dr. Diana Covaci.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCHER DR. BERNHARD BACHINGER

Prof. dr. **George Cipăianu** (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), *Changing Alliances: Romania and Italy Get into the Storm* 1914–1918

Dr. Andrea Griffante (Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas, Lithuania), The Destruction of "Our Virgin Land" Versus "A New Battle Between East and West", About Two Different Perceptions of WWI in Lithuanian Discourse (1914–1915)

Prof. dr. Eriks Jekabsons (History Department, University of Latvia, Riga), WWI and Latvia 1914–1918: Experiences of the Latvian Nation

PhD candidate **Alexandru-Bogdan Bud** (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), "Resurrection Trough Death" The Assassination of Franz Ferdinand and the Memory of Joseph II with the Transylvanian Romanians

17.00-17.15 Coffee Break

#### Aula Ferdinand

17,15-19,00 SECTION VII

Chairpersons: Senior Lecturer Dr. Ana Victoria Sima, Scientific Researcher I Dr. Daniela Busă

Dr. Ioana Elena Ignat (Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), The Attitude of the Population of Transvlvania at the Outbreak of the First World War

Senior Lecturer Dr. CRISTIAN BÂRSU (Iuliu Hațieganu University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Cluj-Napoca), Medico-Historical Landmarks about Anti-Epidemic Organization during the First World War: The Contribution of Iuliu Moldovan during the First Year of the First World War

Dr. Oana Habor (History Museum of Babes-Bolyai University, Clui-Napoca), Epidemics, Episodes from the History of Transylvania during the Great War Scientific Researcher III Dr. DANIELA DETESAN (George Baritiu Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca), Charitable Activities During World War I in Mărginimea Sibiului

Scientific Researcher III Dr. ELENA CRINELA HOLOM (Center for Population Studies, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), Scientific Researcher Dr. Bogdan Crăciun (Library of the Romanian Academy, Clui-Napoca), Invalids. Orphans and Widows: the Social Consequences of the "Great War" in Transylvania. Case Study

#### Francisc Pall Room

17,15-19,00 SECTION VIII

Chairpersons: PROF. DR. Ion Zainea, PROF. DR. CORNELIU PĂDUREAN

Prof. dr. IOAN LUMPERDEAN (Faculty of Economic Science and Business Management, Babes-Bolyai University), Scientific Researcher III dr. losif MARIN BALOG (George Baritiu Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Clui-Napoca). Transylvania 's Economy on the Eve of the First World War: Realities, Economic Disparities and Asperities

Prof. dr. MIHAI DRECIN (Faculty of History, International Relations, Political and Communication Sciences, Oradea University), A Banking Institution in Transylvania during World War I: the Albina Bank in Sibiu (1914-1919) Prof. dr. Rudolf Gräf (Faculty of Economic Science and Business Management, Babes-Bolyai University, Center for Transylvanian Studies, The Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca), Mountainous Banat and the First World War: The Consequences of the War on the StEG and its Employees Lecturer Dr. ROBERT NAGY (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), The Economic Consequences of the Outbreak of the First World War in Transylvania

PhD candidate Roxana Dorina Pop (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), The Private Milieu and the Urban Space: The Image of Cluj during World War I vs. the Effects of Warfare 19,15 Opening of the documentary exhibition Frenchmen and Romanians in the Great War, at the Faculty House Club.

> The exhibition has been put together by the Directorate for Remembrance, Heritage and Archives of the French Ministry of Defense and is organized by the French Embassy in Romania in partnership with the ECPAD (Etablissement de Communication et de Production Audiovisuelle de la Défense) and the National Archives of Romania. Hosts:

> **Dr. Irina Pavelescu** (Deputy Director of the National Archives of Romania) Dr. Paula Ivan (Director of the Cluj County Division of the National Archives of Romania)

**BENOIT BAYOUSET** (Director of the French Institute, Cluj-Napoca)

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# Thursday, June 5, 2014

## Aula Ferdinand

9,00-11,00 SECTION IX

Chairpersons: Scientific Researcher III Dr. Raluca Tomi,
Senior Lecturer Dr. Ion Câria

Senior Lecturer Dr. Ioan Marius Bucur, Senior Lecturer Dr. Ion Câria (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), A Pope in a Time of War: Romanian Receptions of Pope Benedict XV's Election Dr. Lucian Turcu (Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), Romania's Entry into the Great War. Reactions, Attitudes and Public Messages from the two Romanian Churches in Transvivania

Research Assistant Dr. **Mihal-Bogdan Atanasiu** (Research Department of the Faculty of History, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University, Iaşi), *Monastic Life in the Time of the Great War – Case Study: Pasărea Monastery* 

Dr. **CECILIA CÂRIA** (Archives of Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), *The Beginnings of a Diocese: the Greek Catholic Diocese of Hajdúdorogh during World War I* 

Scientific Researcher III dr. MIRELA POPA-ANDREI (George Barițiu Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca), Scientific Researcher III dr. DIANA COVACI (George Barițiu Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca), Refuge during WWI: The Greek-Catholic Ecclesiastical Authorities and their Exodus to Oradea (1916-1917) and Blaj (1918-1919)

#### Francisc Pall Room

9,00-11,00 SECTION X

Chairpersons: Senior Lecturer Dr. Constantin Ungureanu, Senior Lecturer Dr. Hadrian Gorun

PhD candidate Adriana Dana Listes Pop (Babes-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), Romania's Position in the South-Eastern European Region at the Outbreak of the First World War as Reflected in The New York Times Newspaper Prof. dr. Ion Zainea (Faculty of History, International Relations, Political

Prof. dr. Ion Zainea (Faculty of History, International Relations, Political and Communication Sciences, Oradea University), The Ultimate Evil: Romanians and Romania in the Comments of the Hungarian Press (August-September 1916). The Press from Oradea. Case Study

Prof. dr. **Corneliu Pădurean** (Faculty of Socio-Human Sciences, Aurel Vlaicu University, Arad), *The Beginning of World War I in Hungarian Press Reports of Arad* 

Dr. NICOLAE TEȘCULĂ (Sighișoara History Museum), The Beginnings of WWI Reflected in the Pages of the Schäßburger Zeitung Gazette

Dr. **MIRCEA ABRUDAN** (Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), *The First World War in the Historiography and Memoirs of the Transylvanian Saxons* 

11,00-11,20 Coffee Break

## Aula Ferdinand

11,20-13,20 Section XI

Chairpersons: Senior Lecturer Dr. GHEORGHE NEGRU,

PROF. DR. ALIN CIUPALĂ

Prof. dr. **Toader Nicoară** (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), *The Historiography of the "Great War": From the Political-Diplomatic History to the New Trend of Cultural History* 

Scientific Researcher III dr. RALUCA TOMI (Nicolae lorga Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Bucharest), Between History and Ideology - Debates about the First World War in the Department of Modern and Contemporary History of the Institute of History and Philosophy of the Romanian Popular Republic (1951–1953)

Senior Lecturer Dr. **Hadrian Gorun** (Constantin Brâncuşi University, Târgu-Jiu), A Few Considerations Regarding the Perception of the Communist Historiography on Romania's Participation in World War I

Dr. Ionela Moscovici (Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Strasbourg University), Perspectives and Research Methods of the History of World War Lin Banat

MA student **MIHAI-OCTAVIAN GROZA** (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), "The Religion of the Great War" Reflected in Memoirs

Prof. dr. ALIN CIUPALĂ (Faculty of History, Bucharest University, scientific secretary at G.Oprescu Institute of Art History of the Romanian Academy, Bucharest), "The King is Dead. Long live the King!" The Romanian Royal Family in 1914

## Francisc Pall Room

11,20-13,20 SECTION XII

Chairpersons: PROF. DR. NICOLAE BOCŞAN,

SENIOR LECTURER DR. DINU POŞTARENCU

Scientific Researcher PhD candidate Maria Ghitta (Center for Transylvanian Studies, The Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca), How Did the War Start? Personal Recollections and Histories

Senior Lecturer Dr. **Constantin Bărbulescu** (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), "Notes from the War of Greater Romania": Romanian Physicians' Memoirs of WWI

Prof. dr. Mihaela Grancea (Department of History and Heritage, Faculty of Socio-Human Sciences, Lucian Blaga University, Sibiu), Hans Carossa, War Diary in Romania: A Forgotten Document

Scientific Researcher III dr. **Venera Achim** (Nicolae lorga Institute of History, The Romanian Academy, Bucharest), *The German Occupation of* 1916–1918 in the Romanian Ladies' Diaries

Lecturer Dr. Cristina Gudin (Faculty of History, Bucharest University), The First World War in the Memoirs of the Contemporaries

### Silviu Dragomir Room

11,20-13,20 Section XIII

Chairpersons: Scientific Researcher III dr. Mirela Popa-Andrei,

LECTURER DR. ROBERT NAGY

Dr. **GHEORGHE NEGUSTOR** (Faculty of History and Philosophy, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), *The Romanian Literature of the Great War: A Comparative Approach to the War Poetry and Prose from the Romanian Kingdom versus the One Written in Transylvania* 

Dr. László-Zoltán Wellmann (Archives of Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), The Beginning of the War Showed by Two Letters from 1914 Dr. Ioana Bonda (Archives of Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), dr. Oana Mihaela Tămaş (Romanian Academy, Cluj-Napoca), The Image of the Old Kingdom in Memoirs from Banat (1914–1918)

PhD candidate **Răzvan Raul Roşu** (Friedrich Schiller University, Jena, Germany, Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), *The Memory of the First World War in the Hamlets of Motzi Land, Transylvania, at the Beginning of the 21st Century* 

Dr. Andreea Dăncilă (Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca), The Memories of the War and of the Revolution in the Border Counties of Transylvania

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13,20-13,30 Conclusions. Official closing of the conference 13,30-15,00 Lunch