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Curriculum Vitae

a) Education, degrees and diplomas

November 2008. PHD in Sociology awarded by the "Babes-Bolyai" University Cluj Napoca, Faculty of Sociology and Social Work. Title of doctoral dissertation: *The Social Segregation of the Poor in Romania during the Transition Period*. Academic adviser: Traian Rotariu.

September 2003 – June 2004. OSI/FCO Chevening Scholarship for doctoral support program at the Department of Social Policy and Social Work, University of Oxford. *September 2001 – August 2002.* Central European University, Sociology Department, Warsaw: MA in *Culture and Society* (MA with Distinction awarded by the Lancaster University).

October 2000 – June 2001. Babes-Bolyai University, Sociology Department, Cluj Napoca: MA in *Social Change and Collective Mentalities*.

October 1996 – June 2000. Babes-Bolyai University, Sociology Department, Cluj Napoca: BA in *Sociology*.

Other courses and scholarships:

15 September – 15 November 2010. Postdoctoral research fellowship awarded by the Aleksanteri Institute Helsinki.

18-26 August 2009. Intensive summer course on „Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences 2 – Introduction to event history analysis with special focus on cross-national comparisons” organized by the European Science Foundation, INSEE – Paris.

August 2006 – summer school "Capability, Poverty and Wellbeing Measurement" organized before the international conference of the *Human Development and Capabilities Association*, Groningen, the Netherlands. Directors: Sabina Alkire and Enrica Chiappero Martinetti

July 2005 – CEU SUN Training Course on Civil Society Organizations and Policy Entrepreneurship. Directors: Diane Stone and John Young

July – August 2001. Summer University of the Central European University, Budapest, Hungary: *Poverty, Ethnicity and Spatial Changes*

b) Professional experience

January 2008 – Present. Lecturer at the Sociology Department of the "Babes-Bolyai" University Cluj Napoca, teaching courses on *Social Stratification and Social Mobility* (BA), *Social Policies* (BA), *Poverty and Social Exclusion* (2009-2010 academic year, MA).

September 2009 – September 2011. Researcher in the NCEEER Grant *Continuity and Change in Family Policies of the New European Democracies: A Comparison of Poland, Hungary, and Romania* led by prof. Tomasz Inglot, Minnesota State University and having as co-researcher Dorottya Szikra, ELTE Budapest.

October 2011 – September 2011. Researcher within the PN-II Project No. 92131/2008: *Class Structure and Social Stratification in Contemporary Romania*, led by prof. Lazar Vlasceanu, University of Bucharest, in partnership with the Babes-Bolyai University, the University of Oradea and CURS Bucharest.

January 2007 – October 2008 – Researcher within the project *Disparities in the Use of Healthcare Services in the North-West Development Region of Romania. Socio-Economic Patterns and causes* (director: prof. Livia Popescu) financed by the CEEX Program of the Romanian Ministry of Education and Research, Grant CEEX 157/2006. (<http://socialzoom.com/echiserv>)

October 2007 – IRISS Research grant at CEPS/INSTEAD Luxembourg. Project title: Self-Assessed Health Status and Satisfaction with Health Care Services in the Context of the Enlarged European Union (research group led by prof. Livia Popescu)

January – December 2006. Research on the implementation of means-tested social protection measures in Cluj county. Individual research grant CNCISIS TD 382/17, involving qualitative fieldwork in Cluj county and quantitative analysis of already existing datasets.

2005-2006. Researcher within the PHARE Project *Community Force* conducted by Christliches Jugenddorfwerk Deutschlands (CJD) Eutin in partnership with the Research Centre on Interethnic Relations (CCRIT) Cluj-Napoca, and financed by the European Commission.

November 2003 – May 2004. Internship at the *Social Disadvantage Research Centre*, affiliated to the Department of Social Policy and Social Work, University of Oxford

November 1999 – Present – initially research assistant, then researcher at the Research Center for Interethnic Relations (CCRIT). Coordinator of the HESP Regional Seminar for Excellence in Teaching “Teaching Anthropology: Means and Meanings” (2003-2006), financed by the Open Society Institute Budapest.

c) Publications:

“Incluziune adversa. Prestatii sociale si persistenta saraciei in randul romilor din Romania” [Adverse Inclusion. Social Transfers and the Persistence of Poverty among the Roma from Romania]. In Toma, Stefania si Foszto, Laszlo (coord.) (2011): *Spectrum. Cercetari sociale despre romi*. Cluj-Napoca, Editura ISPMN si Criterion, pp. 159-180.

“Disciplining Mothers: Fertility Threats and Family Policies in Romania”, *GESIS Thematic Series on Social Sciences in Eastern Europe*, Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences, Issue 1/2010, pp. 75-87.

Together with Livia Popescu and Adina Rebeleanu (2010): „No discrimination!" Just unequal access...Barriers in the use of health-care services among the Romanian Roma. *ISPMN Working paper*, Cluj-Napoca.

“The Impact of Minimum Income Guarantee Schemes in Central and Eastern Europe” (2009) in Cerami, A., Vanhuysse, P. *Post-Communist Welfare Pathways: Theorizing Social Policy Transformations in CEE*, Basinstoke, Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 164-181.

Together with Popescu, L. and Rebeleanu, A. (2009): *Disparități în utilizarea serviciilor de sănătate în regiunea de Nord-Vest. Pattern-uri și cauze socio-economice. [Disparities in the use of health care services in the North-West Region. Social and economic patterns and causes]*. Cluj-Napoca: Ed. Mega (recunoscută CNCIS). ISBN: ISBN 978-606-543-006-08 (182p.)

Together with Popescu, L. (2008): “Quasi-Marketization and Security in Health Care Systems: The Case Study of the North-Western Region of Romania”, *Studia Universitatis Babes-Bolyai Sociologia*, Vol. 53(2), pp. 79-99.

Together with Popescu, L. and Rebeleanu, A. (2007): „Self-Assessed Health Status and Satisfaction with Health Care Services in the New Member States of the European Union”, *Studia Universitatis Babes-Bolyai Sociologia*, Vol.52(2), pp. 125-150.

Together with Popescu, L. and Rebeleanu, A. (2007): „Self-Assessed Health Status and Satisfaction with Health Care Services in the Context of the Enlarged European Union”, *IRISS Working Papers*, Luxembourg, 2007.

Implementarea măsurilor de protecție socială bazate pe testarea mijloacelor. Un studiu de caz al județului Cluj [The implementation of means-tested social security measures. A case study of Cluj county] (2007), Research Report CNCIS TD 382/17, Cluj-Napoca, Presa Universitară Clujeană (36 pag. ISBN 978-973-610-532-6).

“The Effectiveness of Welfare State Transfers in Reducing Poverty in Romania and Hungary during the first Decade of Post-Socialist Transition” (2006), *Studia Universitatis Babes-Bolyai Sociologia*, Vol.51(1): pp. 98-111.

„Romanian Roma, State Transfers, and Poverty” (2005). *International Journal of Sociology*, Vol. 35 (2), November 2005, pp. 85-93.

„Weighting the Weight of Weighting. The implications of using different poverty measures and household equivalence scales on welfare assessments in Romania” (2005) in *Studia Universitatis Babes-Bolyai Sociologica*, Vol. 50(2).

„Reshaping Social Distances. Encounters between Welfare Workers and the Socio-Economically Deprived” (2003). *Romanian Journal of Society and Politics*, Vol. 3(2), pp. 27-53.

„Elatszito kozelseg vagy athidalt tavolsag? Szocialis munkasok kapcsolata anyagilag es tarsadalmilag deprivalt személyekkel” [*Distancing closeness or closing the distance? Encounters between*

welfare workers and the socio-economically deprived] (2003). *Web*, Vol. 11, Mai 2003, pp. 29-35 (in Hungarian).

Covrig, Anca – Rat, Cristina: „Portrete atitudinale ale adolescentilor din Transilvania” [Attitudinal portraits of adolescents from Transylvania] (2000). In Veres, Valer (ed.) *Liceeni ardeleni in tranitie*, Cluj-Napoca, Limes, pp. 144-155.

d.) Other competences

Language skills:

- Given my ethnically-mixed family background, I speak both Romanian and Hungarian as first languages.
- English – fluent

Statistical data-analysis:

- competent user of Excel and SPSS