

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Ph.D.: Al. I.Cuza University of Iași, 1999.

B.A.: Al. I.Cuza University of Iași, 1987.

Career Summary

Philosophy Department, Faculty of Philosophy and Social-Political Sciences, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iasi, Romania:

Professor (2015 -) Faculty of Philosophy, Al. I. Cuza University of Iași, Romania

Associate Professor (2003-2015) Faculty of Philosophy, Al. I. Cuza University of Iași, Romania

Assistant Professor (1995-2003) Faculty of Philosophy, Al. I. Cuza University of Iași, Romania

Teaching Assistant (1991-1995) Faculty of Philosophy, Al. I. Cuza University of Iași, Romania

Junior Teaching Assistant (1990-1991) Faculty of Philosophy, Al. I. Cuza University of Iași, Romania

Expertise

Eastern-European Philosophy & Spirituality
Byzantine Philosophy
Christian Phenomenology
Hermeneutics

Publications

Books

Repere în filosofia bizantină (Highlights in the Byzantine Philosophy), Editura Fundației Academice Axis, Iași, 2003 (ISBN 973-37-0442-3).

Virtute și cunoaștere la Platon (Virtue and Knowledge in Plato), Junimea, Iași, 1999 (ISBN 973-85490-8-6).

Persoană, lume, realitate ultimă. Filosofare și spiritualitate în Răsăritul Creștin (Person, World, Ultimate Reality. Philosophizing and Spirituality in the Christian East), Editura Universitară Clujeană, 2014 (ISBN 978-973-595-740-7).

Founding Ideas of the East-European Cultural Horizon. Lambert Academic Publishing, 2014 (ISBN 978-3-659-58909-6).

Selected Studies

Philosophizing in the Christian East, Revue Romaine de Philosophie, Issue 2, July-December 2016, pp.143-152 (ISSN:1220-5400)

The Patristic Notion of Person and its Importance for Modern Culture, Religion and Culture in Dialog. East and West Perspectives, Edited by Janis Talivaldis Ozolins, Springer International Publishing, Basel, 2016, pp. 155-166 (ISBN 978-3-319-25722-8).

Formative Ideals and the Value Conflict of Today, Journal of Liaoning University, Liaoning Daxue Xuebao, Shenyang, China, Vol. 45, No. 3, 2015, pp. 54-58 (ISSN 1002-3291).

Значение реальности в учении Паламы (The Meaning of Reality in Palamite Doctrine), VERBUM, Альманах Центра изучения средневековой культуры, No. 17, 2015, Sankt Petersburg, Russia, pp. 153-162 (ISBN 978-5-91116-348-8).

St. Gregory Palamas' Critique of Nominalism, Triune God. Incomprehensible but Knowable –

The Philosophical and Theological Significance of St Gregory Palamas for Contemporary Philosophy and Theology, Cambridge Scholars, Cambridge, 2015, pp. 124-131 (ISBN 978-1-4438-8055-8).

Repetition as Resumption: From Litany to Thinking in Byzantium, Revista Portuguesa de Filosofia, Tomo 69, 3, 2013, pp. 205-213 (ISSN 0870-5283/0035- 0400).

The Spiritual Experience as Scientific Experiment?: How Science can meet Religion, Philosophy Study, U.S.A., vol. 3, nr. 10, 2013, pp. 905-913 (ISSN 92159-5313).

Person and Personal Reality: The Actuality of the Eastern Christian Understanding of Man, in "Values of the Human Person. Contemporary Challenges", ed. Mihaela Pop, The Council For Research in Values and Philosophy, Washington D.C., 2013, pp. 57-64 (ISBN 978-1-56518-284-4).

Restoration of Man and World, in „Compassion and Forgiveness. Religious and Philosophical Perspectives from around the World". Edited by Edward J. Alam, Notre Dame University Press, Beiruth, 2013, pp. 177-191 (ISBN 978-9553-40-0).

Experiment and knowledge of reality in the hesychast view, European Journal of Science and Theology, Vol. 8, No. 3, September 2012, pp. 9-16 (ISSN 1842-8517)

The discourse about reality in the double perspective of science and spirituality, Journal for Interdisciplinary Research on Religion and Science, No. 9, July 2011, pp.31-46 (ISSN 1843 - 4142)

From Logos to Logoi: The Idea of the World's Rationality in the History of European Thought, Journal for Interdisciplinary Research on Religion and Science, No. 8, January 2011, pp. 11-30 (ISSN 1843 - 4142)

The Idea of the Rationality of the World in the European Cultural Horizon, Cultura. International Journal of Philosophy and Axiology, Issue 13, 2010, pp. 241-257 (ISSN 1584-1057)

The Dialogue between Science and Orthodoxy: Specificity and Possibilities, Journal for Interdisciplinary Research on Religion and Science, No. 6, 2010, pp. 37-51 (ISSN 1843-4142)

Ideology and Philosophy in Byzantium: the meanings of ideology before modern times, Journal for the Study of Religions and Ideologies, Volume 8, No.23, 2009, pp. 43-67 (ISSN 1583-0039)

The Founding Ideas of the Modern Cultural Horizon and the Meanings of Reason, Cultura. International Journal of Philosophy and Axiology, Issue 11, 2009, pp. 46-59 (ISSN 1584-1057)

Personal Reality and Understandings of Freedom, Journal for Interdisciplinary Research on Religion and Science, No. 4, 2009, pp. 112-140 (ISSN 1843-4142)

The Theme of the Simplicity of the Mind as the Presupposition of the Byzantine Cultural Model, Cultura. International Journal of Philosophy and Axiology, 9, 2008, pp. 28-39 (ISSN 1584-1057)

The Doctrine of Logos Between Heraclitus and the Patristic horizon: the rationality of the world from the harmony of contraries to indefinite virtuality, European Journal of Science and Theology, Vol. 4, No. 4, December 2008, pp. 39-56 (ISSN 1842-8517)

Paideia and Kenosis: the setting up and resignification of the idea of edification between Greek philosophy and Eastern Christianity, Journal for Interdisciplinary Research on Religion and Science, No. 3, 2008, pp. 169-192 (ISSN 1843-4142)

Hierarchy and Participation: Spirituality and Ideology in Byzantium, Revista Portuguesa de Filosofia, Tomo 64, 1, 2008, pp. 517-528 (ISSN 0870-5283/0035-0400)

Scholarly Presentations and Invited Lectures (selected)

Today Role of Spirituality and Meanings of Tradition, International Conference "Interaction of Cultures and Values: Philosophical Crossroad", Peoples' Friendship University of Russia, Moscow, Russia, May 27-29, 2016.

Philosophy and the Role of Experience in Hesychast Practice, „Conversation between Byzantine Spirituality and the Contemporary Western Mind: Possibilities and Limits”, Braga, Portugal, 29-30 April 2015.

Appeal to Experience as a (Radical) Phenomenology?, St. Gregory Palamas Seminar: International Research into the Philosophical and Theological Work of St Gregory Palamas”, Veroia, Greece: 19-22 June 2015.

The Practice of Spirituality as Way to Reconcile with the Other and the Role of Media in Presenting its Authentic Aspects, International Interfaith Conference on The Quest for Peaceful Interfaith Co-Existence, U.N.I.T.E., Islamabad, Pakistan, November 24-25, 2015

Formative Ideals and the Value Conflict of Today, International Conference „Value Conflict and Consensus in the Context of Cultural Diversity”, Liaoning University, Shenyang, China, 22-23 December 2014.

Spirituality Role in Understanding Reality and Shaping Values, International Conference „Reconstruction of Values and Morality in Global Times”, Yangzhou University, Yangzhou, China, 18-19 December 2014.

Philosophy as Life Inquiry and Existential Attitude, International Conference „Philosophy and Life World”, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, China, 15-16 December 2014.

Beyond Concept: Ways to Express Radical Experiences, International Conference „Metaphysics: Past, Present, and Future”, East China Normal University, Shanghai, China, 12-14 December 2014.

From Logos to Logoi: Maximus the Confessor as Key Figure in Shaping the European Idea of World's Rationality, International Conference „Maximus the Confessor as an European Philosopher”, Freie Universitat, Berlin, Germania, 26-28 September 2014.

Meanings of Tradition and Today Role of Spirituality, Conferința Internațională „Values and Identity in the World of Today”, CRVP, Alexandru Ioan Cuza University & Romanian Academy - Iași Branch, Iași, 21-22 June 2014.

Ways of Bridging Philosophy and Theology: Today Perspectives, International Conference „Philosophy and Theology in Dialogue. Eastern and Western Perspectives”, Ovidius University, Constanța, 8 December 2014.

Tradition and Novelty in Spiritual Experience: Globalized Culture and the Role of Spirituality, International Conference „Philosophy Today”, Xian, Jiaotong University, China, 21-22 December, 2013.

Hierarchy, Participation and Responsibility: Partaking as Road to Self-Edification, International Conference „Morality and Responsibility in Times of Global Change”, Fudan University, Shanghai, China, 18-19 December, 2013.

Philosophizing in the East: Inquiry and Betterment, International Conference „Metaphysics: East and West”, East China Normal University (ECNU), Shanghai, China, 16-17 December, 2013.

Meanings of Spiritual Experience in a Secular Age, International Conference „Faith in a Secular Age”, University of Bucharest, Romania, 22-23 November, 2013.

Kosmos from Perfect Sphere to Relationship between Persons: Evolutions in the Understanding of Order, COMIUCAP World Congress “Order and Disorder in the Age of Globalization(s): Philosophy and the Development of Cultures”, St. Augustine College of South Africa, Johannesburg, South Africa, 13-17 November 2013.

Reconsidering Hierarchy: Responsibility and Justice in the Byzantine and Post-Byzantine Societies, CRVP Seminar on “Justice and Responsibility: Cultural and Philosophical Considerations”, Center for the Study of Culture and Values, The Catholic University of America, Washington D.C., U.S.A., September 9 – October 11, 2013.

To Live a Good Life With and For Others: Justice as Hierarchical Participation to Good, “International Symposium on Justice and Responsibility”, Boston College, Boston, U.S.A., 20-21 September 2013.

Inquiry as an Existential Attitude: The Way of Eastern Christian Philosophizing, “XXIII World Congress of Philosophy”, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens, Greece, 4-10 August 2013.

St. Gregory Palamas' Doctrine of supernatural knowledge: Implications for the understanding of philosophy in the eastern Christianity, “XXIII World Congress of Philosophy”, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens, Greece, 4-10 August 2013.

Body as a Garment. Understandings of Body between Plato and Christianity, International Conference „Culture and Philosophy as Ways of Life in Times of Global Change”, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens, Greece, 1-3 August 2013.

Between Paideía and Mystagogía: Formative Ideal and the Crisis of Today, International Conference “Philosophy and Crisis: Responding to Challenges to Ways of Life in the Contemporary World”, University of Ioannina, Ioannina, Greece, 28-30 July 2013.

Romanian Cultural Tradition and Values, “Michael Novak's 13th Annual Seminar in Slovakia. On

2012 - Research Stage, Hellenic Open University, Athens, Greece.
2012 - Research Stage, Catholic University of Portugal - Braga, Portugal.
2013 - Visiting Research Professor, The Catholic University of America, Washington D.C., U.S.A.

Grants and Awards

Project Director: *Human Person, Determinism and Free Will, within the Science and Orthodoxy, Research and Education Grant*, Templeton Foundation, ID# 12218, 2006-2009.

Research Fellow: *The Knowledge Based Society Project*, Project POSDRU/89/1.5/S/56815, with the double financing of the European Union and the Government of Romania by the European Social Fund in connection with the Sectorial application programs for the development of human assets 2007-2013 (April 2011 - March 2013)

Senior Researcher and Team Coordinator: *Innovation and Development in the structuring and representation of knowledge through doctoral and postdoctoral fellowship* POSDRU/159/1.5/S/133675, with the double financing of the European Union and the Government of Romania by the European Social Fund (2014-2015).

Editorial Board/Reviewer

Journal of Chang'an University (Social Sciences Edition) - Xi'an, China
Journal of Social Sciences & Interdisciplinary Research (JSSIR) - Karachi, Pakistan
BSU International Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences (BSU-IJHSS), Egypt
Revista Portuguesa de Filosofia, Portugal
Studia Philosophiae Christianae, Poland

Professional Memberships (past and present)

Council for Research in Values and Philosophy (CRVP), U.S.A. (Director of the Iași CRVP Center)
American Academy of Religion (AAR) U.S.A
Society for Promotion of Byzantine Studies (SPBS), U.K.
Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy (SAAP), U.S.A.
The Nordic Society of Phenomenology (NSP), Denmark
International Society for Neoplatonic Studies (ISNS), U.S.A.
Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy (SMRP), U.S.A.
The Metanexus Institute, U.S.A.
The European Society for the Study of Science and Theology (ESSAT), E.U.

the Fundamental Principles of Democracy and Current Challenges of Free Society", Kolégium Antona Neuwirtha, Ivanka Dunaji, Slovakia, 28 June – 5 July 2013.

Restoration of Man and World, at the "Fall Seminar of the Council for Research in Values and Philosophy" (Washington D.C.), Beirut, Liban, 1-26 October 2012.

The Nature of Phenomenon: The Perspective of Physics, Phenomenology and Neoplatonics, International Conference "Unity and Diversity in Knowledge Society", Romanian Academy Iași Branch, Iași, Romania, September 27-30th, 2012.

St. Isaac the Syrian's description of rapture: Radical anthropology and reality levels, International Conference "XI Symposium Sirciacum", Valletta, Malta, July 16-18th, 2012.

Tradition, Values, and Techno-Science in the World of Today: The East-European Scenario, International Conference "Traditional Values and Virtues and Contemporary Society in a Global Age", Renmin University, Beijing, China, June 2-3rd, 2012.

St. Gregory Palamas' Critique of Nominalism, International Conference "St Gregory Palamas: The Theological and Philosophical Significance of his work", Thessaloniki, Greece, University Ecclesiastical Academy of Thessaloniki, Greece, March 7-15th, 2012.

The Person as Ultimate Reality: The Christian Understanding of Man and its Value for Current Debates, International Conference "Consciousness and Personal Identity. Philosophical Perspectives and Neuroscience", Pontificia Università della Santa Croce, Roma, Italy, February 27-28th, 2012.

Moldavian Hesychasm, International Conference "Mysticism East and West. A search for Meaningful Religious Experience.", Hyderabad, India, January 23-25th, 2012.

The Building of Languages about Reality and the "Call to Experience", 7th Annual International Conference on Philosophy, Athens, Greece, May 28-31th, 2012.

Person and Personal Reality: The Actuality of the Eastern Christian Understanding of Man, "Values of the Human Person: Contemporary Challenges", organized by the Council for Research in Values and Philosophy, Washington, U.S.A. and Philosophy Faculty, University of Bucharest, Bucharest, Romania, June 3-4th 2011.

Experiment as "tryout": the ways of meeting between a mystic's and a scientist's experience, at 3rd International Conference of the Romanian Association of Semiotic Studies, "Semiotic's Creativity. Unifying Diversities, Differences, Divides", Iași, Romania, November 4-7th 2010.

Interdisciplinary Research on Science and Orthodoxy: Specific Features and Opportunities, International Congress "The Dialogue between Science and Religion in the Orthodox World", Bucharest, Romania, September, 25 -27th, 2008.

Visiting Professor – Research Stages

2000 - Visiting Scholar, North Carolina University at Chapel Hill, U.S.A.

2012 - Visiting Research Professor, Notre Dame-Louaize University, Beirut, Liban.