

#### 2025

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Civil status: Married/ 1 child



## **Current position**

Professor – Faculty of Physics, University of Bucharest

Associated member – Paleoclimate Dynamics Group, Alfred Wegener Institute for

Polar and Marine Research, Germany

### **Studies**

1982-1986 - National College Gheorghe Lazar, Bucharest

1987-1992 - Faculty of Physics, University of Bucharest

1992-1997 - Faculty of Cybernetics, Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest

1996-2000 – Doctoral program, Faculty of Physics, University of Bucharest

### Research interests

Physical mechanisms of interannual-to-millennial climate variability

Early Warning Signals of critical transitions

Identifying causal links and feedbacks in data

Climatic impacts on the human society

Scientific publications 48

Citations (Google Scholar) 2600 (H=23)

Books/Chapters in books 11

## Science management/policy

- Ambassador scientist of the Humboldt Foundation, Germany (2023-)
- Chair of Interdisciplinary School of Doctoral Studies, Romania (2018-)
  University of Bucharest
- Secretary of State for Scientific Research and Innovation, Romania (2016)
- President of the National Research Council, Romania (2013)
- Member of the National Research Council, Romania (2011-2012)

  President of the Earth Sciences commission
- Member in National Council for Validation of University Titles, Diploma and Certificates, Romania (2011-2012)

Panel: Mathematics and Natural Sciences

Commission: Earth Sciences

CNCS's Deputy at European Science Foundation, France (2012)
Commission: Life, Earth and Environmental Sciences

# Reviewer for scientific journals/organisations

- Journal of Climate
- Climate Dynamics
- Geophysical Research Letters
- Journal of Geophysical Research
- International Journal of Climatology
- Climate of the Past
- Climatic Change
- Nonlinear Processes in Geophysics
- Geology
- NPJ Climate and Atmospheric Science
- International Panel for Climate Change
- Humboldt Foundation (Germany)
- National Science Foundation (USA)

## **Awards**

2004: **Humboldt Fellow** at University of Bremen and Alfred-Wegener Institut for Polar and Marine Research, Bremerhaven, Germania, with the project "Studying climate variability through observational data, proxy records and General Circulation Models"

## Courses

- Mechanics
- Thermal Physics
- Introduction in Environmental Physics
- Physics of the Climate System
- Climatic hazards and risk
- Statistical Methods for Climate Data Analysis
- Conceptual approaches in scientific research

## **Foreign languages**

- **Englich** advanced
- **German** basic
- French basic

## 12 most significant publications

 $1. \ \ \, \textbf{Structural stability changes of the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation,} \\$ 

**Dima**, M., Lohmann, G., Nichita, D., R., Knorr, K., Scholz, P., npj Climate and Atmospheric Science, 8 (1), 73 (2025).

2. Data analysis evidence beyond correlation of a possible causal impact of weather on the COVID-19 spread, mediated by human mobility.

Nichita, D. R., **Dima**, **M**., Boboc, L. *et al*. Scientific Reports **14**, 17782 (2024).

3. AMOC modes linked with distinct North Atlantic deep-water formation sites,

**Dima, M.**, Lohmann, G., Ionita, M., Knorr, G., Scholz, P., Climate Dynamics, DOI: 10.1038/S41612-021-00182-X, , (2022).

4. Early-onset of Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation weakening in response to atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> concentration,

**Dima, M.**, Nichita, D. R., Lohmann, G., Ionita, M., Voiculescu, M., NPJ Climate and Atmospheric Science, 4(27), 1-8, (2021).

5. North Atlantic versus Global Control on Dansgaard-Oeschger Events,

Dima, M., Lohmann, G., Knorr, G., Geophysical Research Letters, DOI: 10.1029/2018GL080035, (2018).

6. Hysteresis behavior of the Atlantic ocean circulation identified in observational data,

**Dima, M.**, Lohmann, G., **Journal of Climate**, 24(2), 397-403, (2011).

7. Evidence for Two Distinct Modes of Large-Scale Ocean Circulation Changes over the Last Century,

**Dima, M.,** Lohmann, G., Journal of Climate, 23, 5-16, 2010.

8. Conceptual model for millennial climate variability: a possible combined solar-thermohaline circulation origin for the ~1500-year cycle,

**Dima, M.**, and G. Lohmann, Climate Dynamics, 32(2-3), 301-311, 2008.

Rapid 20th Century increase in coastal upwelling off northwest Africa, McGregor, H. V., Dima, M., Fischer, H. W., Mulitza, S., Science, 315, 637-639, 2007.

10. A mechanism for the Atlantic Multidecadal Oscillation,

**Dima, M.**, Lohmann, G., **Journal of Climate**, 20(11), 2706-2719, 2007.

11. Solar induced and internal climate variability at decadal timescales,

Dima, M., Lohmann, G., Dima, I., International Journal of Climatology, 25(6), 713-733, 2005.

12. Quasi-Decadal Variability in the Atlantic Basin Involving Tropics-Midlatitudes and Ocean-Atmosphere Interactions,

**Dima, M.**, Rimbu, N., Stefan, S., Dima, I., Journal of Climate, 14(5), 823-832, 2001.