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400090, Cluj-Napoca, Romania

● WORK EXPERIENCE

2020 - present:

PROFESSOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS – Department of International Relations, Faculty of European Studies

1 November 2025 - :

PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER FOR EUROPEAN AFFAIRS – Presidency of Romania

Academic career (Babeş-Bolyai University, Faculty of European Studies):

- Associate Professor, 2004 - 2020
- Lecturer, 2000-2004
- Teaching Assistant, 1998-2000
- Junior Assistant, 1996-1998

Academic positions:

- Member of *CNATDCU (National Council for Attesting Titles, Diplomas and Certificates)* - Committee for Political Science, International Relations and Security Studies, July 2020 - July 2024
- Director of the *Centre for the Study of the European Union's External Relations and Global Order* (EUXGLOB Center), Faculty of European Studies, April 2021 - present
- Member of the *Doctoral School of International Relations and European Studies*, 2015 - present
- Initiator and coordinator of the Master program in *International Relations, Foreign Policy and Crisis Management*, 2017 - present

Courses - *Foreign Policy and Diplomacy* (Bachelor level, in Romanian and English), *Comparative politics in Europe and North America* (Master, English), *Instability and conflict in the EU's Eastern Neighborhood* (Master, English), *International Politics* (Doctoral School, Romanian and English)

- Member of the *Council of the Doctoral School of International Relations and European Studies* (2021 - present)
- Member of the *Council of the Faculty of European Studies* (2016-2020 and 2004-2008)
- President of the *Scientific Research Committee* of the Faculty of European Studies (2016-2020)
- Founder (2013) and coordinator (2013-2019) of the Citadel Reflection Group (think tank of the Faculty of European Studies, www.citadel.granturi.ubbcluj.ro)
- Independent expert (evaluator) of the *Research Executive Agency (REA)* - European Commission, Brussels, 2015 - present

Diplomatic and administrative positions

11/2025 - :

PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER FOR EUROPEAN AFFAIRS - PRESIDENCY OF ROMANIA

03/2008 - 10/2012 - Toronto, Canada

CONSUL GENERAL OF ROMANIA IN TORONTO – MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

06/2007 - 02/2008 - Bucharest, Romania

DIPLOMATIC COUNSELLOR IN THE CENTRAL MFA – MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

01/2005 - 06/2007 - Bucharest

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR PUBLIC DIPLOMACY – MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, GOVERNMENT OF ROMANIA

2005 - 2007 - Bucharest

MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL – ROMANIAN CULTURAL INSTITUTE, Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

07/2020 - 07/2024, Bucharest

MEMBER OF CNATDCU (NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR ATTESTING TITLES, DIPLOMAS AND CERTIFICATES) – MINISTRY OF NATIONAL EDUCATION

Committee for Political Science, International Relations, Military Science and Security Studies

09/1998 - 12/1998 - Bucharest, Romania

DIRECTOR GENERAL – MINISTRY OF NATIONAL EDUCATION

D.G. International Relations

12/1997 - 08/1998 - Bucharest

DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL – MINISTRY OF NATIONAL EDUCATION

D.G. Human and Financial Resources

● **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

07/2015 - Cluj-Napoca, Romania

HABILITATION IN THE FIELD OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND EUROPEAN STUDIES – Babeş-Bolyai University

1996 - 2000 - Cluj-Napoca, Romania

PHD IN POLITICAL SCIENCE – Babeş-Bolyai University

PhD Thesis: "Social Policy in Post-War Europe"

2018 - 2020 - Cluj-Napoca, Romania

POSTGRADUATE TRAINING IN PSYCHOPEDAGOGY (LEVELS I și II) – Babeş-Bolyai Univ., Faculty of Education Sciences

1994 - 06/1998 - Cluj-Napoca, Romania

BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN EUROPEAN STUDIES – Babeş-Bolyai University, Faculty of European Studies

1992 - 06/1996 - Cluj-Napoca, Romania

BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN SOCIAL WORK – Babeş-Bolyai University, Faculty of History and Philosophy

1990 - 06/1996 - Cluj-Napoca, Romania

MD LICENSE DEGREE (MEDICINE) – University of Medicine and Pharmacy Iuliu Hațieganu, Faculty of General Medicine

1985 - 06/1989 - Râmnicu-Vâlcea

BACCALAUREATE, MATHEMATICS-PHYSICS PROFILE – Mircea cel Bătrân National College

1996 - present

SCHOLARSHIPS, EU MOBILITY, TEACHING AND TRAINING

- May 2024, Erasmus + teaching mobility, Osnabruck University
- April 2024, Erasmus + teaching mobility, Passau University
- June 2023 - Erasmus +, teaching mobility, Regensburg University
- May 2023 - Erasmus +, teaching mobility, University Napoli L'Orientale
- September 2022 - Erasmus + teaching mobility, Liege University
- September 2022 - Erasmus+ teaching mobility, Hague University of Applied Sciences
- May 2019 - Erasmus+ teaching mobility, Hague University of Applied Sciences
- June 2017 - Erasmus+ teaching mobility, Passau University
- May 2017 - Erasmus+ teaching mobility, Hague University of Applied Sciences
- 2004: Erasmus Teaching Mobility, Catholic University of Leuven
- 2003: „Developing curriculum of European Security” (British Council project): Birmingham University (Institute of European Studies)
- 2001: Erasmus Teaching Mobility, Lapland University of Rovaniemi
- 2000: Tempus, Utrecht University

- 1999: Tempus, Utrecht University
- 1998 (3 months), Certificate of performance management in public administration, CIMP Bucharest
- 1996-1997 (6 months): Tempus, Münster University
- 1996 (3 months): Tempus, Université Libre de Bruxelles (ULB)

● LANGUAGE SKILLS

Mother tongue(s): Romanian

Other language(s): fluent in English, basic knowledge in French and German

● HONOURS AND AWARDS

12/2015

Award of the Ministry of Education and Research for Habilitation – Ministry of Education and Research

04/2016

UBB Award for Excellence in Research – Babeş-Bolyai University

2014

Nomination in TOP 100 "The most influential people" – Foreign Policy Romania

● PUBLICATIONS

Expert guest for various Romanian and international media

- Analyst of International Politics (approximately 600 analyses and articles, numerous quotes in Romanian and international media)
 - <https://centrulpolitic.ro/author/valentin-naumescu/>
 - <https://hotnews.ro/autor/valentin-naumescu-312>
 - <https://adevarul.ro/author/2018>
 - <https://spotmedia.ro/stiri/autor/valentin-naumescu>
 - <http://www.contributors.ro/author/valentin-naumescu>
 - <http://www.ziare.com/invitati/valentin-naumescu/>
 - <https://revista22.ro/tag/valentin-naumescu>
 - <http://cursdeguvernare.ro/author/valentin-naumescu>
 - <https://www.eurotopics.net/en/149448/naumescu-valentin#>
- Approx. 300 interviews and comments on international politics (TV, radio, written publications, online platforms).

● SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS

- **25 books:** single author (8), co-author (2), editor (7) or co-editor (8), from which four volumes in the UK (2), the Netherlands (1) and Canada (1)
- **82 journal articles and chapters** / studies in indexed scientific journals and edited volumes.

● CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

06/2019 - 10/2025

President of the think tank "*Initiative for European Democratic Culture*" (ICDE), founding member,

<https://roeu.org/>

July 2024 -

Founder and director of the civic and intellectual platform *Political Centre*, <https://centrulpolitic.ro/>

2017 - present

Member of Europe Club, Representation of the European Commission in Romania

1995 - 1997

Founder and first President of European Students Society (SSE)

● PROJECTS AND GRANTS

2023-2027

Partner Coordinator (UBB) of the European research program 101094228-REMIT (Horizon 2020), *Reignite Multilateralism via Technology*, financed by the European Commission

2022

Project Director of the grant BST-22.091.RO44.2 (research project *EUXGLOB II - THE EU AND NATO APPROACHES TO THE BLACK SEA REGION*, March-December 2022, financed by the European Commission and the Black Sea Trust Cooperation Fund of the German Marshall Fund of the United States)

2017

Project Director PN-III-1.1.-MC2017-0164

Financed by the Ministry of Education and Research of Romania - UEFISCDI, the National Research-Development Programme III. Finalized with the publication of the article entitled "*Stability, Ambiguity and Change in the Discourses of the NATO Allies in the Black Sea Region: The Cases of Romania, Bulgaria and Turkey*", in WoS indexed journal "Croatian International Relations Review", vol. XXIII, no. 80, December 2017, pp. 87-109, work previously presented in November 2017 during the international conference of the University of Liege, as part of the research project entitled *The End of the Region? The Future of Spatial Constructs in the Post-Populist Era*

2020

Expert-evaluator (ID: EX2015D238415) H2020-MSCA-IF-2020 (panel ECO-SOC)

2019

Expert-evaluator (ID: EX2015D238415) H2020-MSCA-IF-2019 (panel ECO-SOC)

2018

Expert-evaluator (ID: EX2015D238415) H2020-MSCA-IF-2018 (panel ECO-SOC)

2017

Expert-evaluator (ID: EX2015D238415) H2020-MSCA-IF-2017 (panel ECO-SOC)

2015

Expert-evaluator (ID: EX2015D238415) H2020-INT-SOCIETY-2015

2002 - 2005

Member of the curricular research / development project of the British Council Romania for the introduction of the European Security course in major Romanian universities curricula

Finalized with the publication of the volume *European Security Studies* (Valentin Naumescu, Stuart Croft, Tim Bird, Teodor Meleşcanu, George Poede etc.), Cavaliotti, Bucharest, 2005

2000

Winner of a grant offered to young researchers by the Open Society Foundation (Timișoara branch), for the completion and publication of the doctoral research
