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Science Diplomacy in Times of Peace and War
(20th-21st Centuries)

Iași, 12-13 June 2025



Programme

12 June 2025 ("Ion Simionescu" Conference Room, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University)

09^{30}-09^{45} Registration

09^{45}-10^{00} Opening Remarks

- Mihai Chirica, Mayor of the City of Iaşi
- Laurențiu Rădvan, Vice-Dean of the Faculty of History, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iaşi
- Adrian-Bogdan Ceobanu, Faculty of History, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iaşi

10^{00}-10^{45} Keynote Speaker

- Daniel Gamito-Marques (Lisbon), *Exploring the pre-1945 Past of Science Diplomacy: Some Reflections*

10^{45}-11^{00} Coffee break

11^{00}-13^{00} Experts, Expertise and Networks (Vespasian Pella Room, "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University)

Chair: Constantin Ardeleanu

- Silvana Rachieru (Bucharest), *The Romanian Market Conquered by Ottoman Hazelnuts: Expert Debates Behind the Conclusion of a Commercial Convention*
- Lucian Leuștean (Iași), *Diplomacy & Science - British Preparations for the Romanian Peace Settlement (1918-1919)*
- Adrian Vițalaru (Iași), *International Law and Dispute Settlement. Foreign Experts and the Hungarian-Romanian Optants Question*
- Alexandru Săvoaia (Iași), *Interwar Knowledge Networks: Aspects from the International Labor Organization*

13^{00}-15^{00} Lunch

15^{00}-16^{45} Science Diplomacy and the Challenges of the Cold War

Chair: Lucian Leuștean

- Dragomir Bondžić (Belgrade), *Science Diplomacy in the Cold War – The Cases of Yugoslav and Romanian Nuclear Programs*
- Irina Gridan (Paris), *Romanian Scientific Diplomacy in the 1960s as Seen from France: Actors, Reception, and Achievements*

- Virgiliu Țârău (Cluj-Napoca), *A Scientific Diplomatic Mission Partially Failed. Alexandru Bârlădeanu's Visit in the United States (May-June 1968)*

18^{30} Dinner

13 June 2025 ("Ferdinand Conference" Room "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University)

09^{45}-11^{15} History, Science and Today`s New Challenges

Chair: Adrian Vițalaru

- Nemanja Mitrovic (Belgrade), *Historians in the Political Triangle: Belgrade – Bucharest – Moscow*
- Bogdan Iacob (Bucharest/Vienna), *Balkans on a Global Stage: The Fifteenth Congress of Historical Sciences in Bucharest (10-17 August 1980)*
- Cristian Nițoiu (London), *Science Diplomacy and the Fourth Industrial Revolution: Mediating Conflict over AI Hegemony*

11^{15}-11^{30} Coffee break

11^{30}-13^{20} From the Arctic Ocean to the Black Sea. Diplomacy, Conflict and Engineering

Chair: Silvana Rachieru

- Constantin Ardeleanu (Bucharest), *Engineering, Fishing and Diplomacy at the Lower Danube (19th and 20th Centuries)*
- Adrian-Bogdan Ceobanu (Iași), *The Road to Hague. Diplomats and Experts at the Romanian-Ukrainian Negotiations (1998-2004)*
- Laurențiu Plești (Bucharest), *The Two Faces of Russia: Geopolitics and Fisheries Management in the Black Sea and the Barents Sea*
- Serafima Andreeva (Oslo), *Diplomacy or Conflict? Cooperation in the Arctic after 2022*

13^{20}-13^{30} Closing Remarks

13^{30}-15^{00} Lunch

15^{00}-18^{30} City Tour

18^{30} Dinner

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