

Personal information



First name(s) / Surname(s) **Veronica Ileana MARIN**

Work experience

Dates	2000 - onwards
Occupation or position held	Lecturer and Senior Researcher, Master coordinator for Urban Planning and Public Policies (partnership with SNSPA) Responsible from the Faculty of Urbanism within the cooperation with Faculty of Law from the University of Bucharest for the master program – Urban Planning Legislation
Main activities and responsibilities	Delivery of lectures and seminars on: -sustainable development and spatial planning -institutional frames for sustainable development – public participation in urban policies and processes for the elaboration of urban planning documentations -diagnosis tools for the Urban Planning Legislation Master -housing policy -integrated urban development plans -history of housing and housing typology -interdisciplinary analysis for urban planning projects -urban composition and landscape architecture practical works
Name and address of employer	University of Architecture and Urban Planning “Ion Mincu” in Bucharest 18-20, Academiei, Bucharest
Type of business or sector	Public academic institution
Dates	2001- onwards
Occupation or position held	Project coordinator and President (until November 2022)
Main activities and responsibilities	- facilitate the communication of the urban actors by being an interface between public administration and citizens. - educate the civic spirit of people by encouraging the feeling of attachment to a community - promote the relationships with academic environment, participate in the scientific research projects and debates - integrate the association in a network of national and international organizations in order to promote and experience urban planning and management research and practice - conceive urban studies and develop interdisciplinary research projects on the topics of sustainable urban development, housing, public space, green spaces, infrastructure, sustainable construction norms, etc.
Name and address of employer	ATU – Association for Urban Transition 10, Voila street, Bucharest
Type of business or sector	NGO

Dates	2011 - onwards
Occupation or position held	Project coordinator, project contributor and Vice-president
Main activities and responsibilities	-applied research and design of pedagogical tools for built environment education programs -institutional cooperation for the evaluation and recognition of the educational programs (Faculty of Educational Sciences, Educational Sciences Institute of the Ministry of Education, etc.) - grant applications for new projects development: cultural grants, programs sponsored by professional organizations and private companies, etc. - content coordination for 2 editions of De-a Arhitectura TALKS (conferences of the network and its guests), - project coordination for high school pupils' program – Urban UP! (since 2017)
Name and address of employer	Asociatia De-A Arhitectura - Playing Architecture (established in 2013)
Type of business or sector	NGO
Dates	2004 - onwards
Occupation or position held	Consultant/expert
Main activities and responsibilities	-elaboration of urban planning documentations, -project evaluations, -participatory planning facilitation -contributions to local development strategies, -consultancy for intervention methodology aimed at the improvement of public space in residential areas, brownfield regeneration, urban observatories, etc.
Name and address of employer	World Bank, Space Syntax- UK, Lattanzio e Associati – Territorial Governance, GEA- Applied Economy Group, Agora East Romania, WYG - UK, Square BAU,
Type of business or sector	consultancy companies / bodies
Dates	August -September 2000
Occupation or position held	Internship
Main activities and responsibilities	-contributions to the elaboration of urban design proposals -urban design and architecture design for a housing ensemble, Communauté Urbaine de Lyon -color study for the historical ensemble regulatory frame in Annecy
Name and address of employer	GERAU - Groupe Recherche Architecture Urbanisme, Lyon, France
Type of business or sector	Private firm
Education and training	
Dates	2001-2009
Title or qualification awarded	PhD
Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Thesis title: <i>Housing policies and urban planning: improvement of life conditions in the collective housing ensembles in Bucharest</i>
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	“Ion Mincu” University of Architecture and Urban Planning with visiting research scholar (doctoral program) in Institut d’Urbanisme de Lyon – Université Lyon II – Lumière (French Government Scholarship)
Level in national or international classification	ISCED 6

Dates 2006-2008
 Title or qualification awarded master
 Principal subjects/occupational skills covered **Project management**
 Name and type of organisation providing education and training SNSPA – National School for Political and Administrative Sciences University
 Level in national or international classification ISCED 5

Dates 1999-2001
 Title or qualification awarded **Integrated Urban Development**
 master
 Principal subjects/occupational skills covered urban development planning:
 legal framework for urban planning documentations
 interdisciplinary analysis of the urban environment and complex diagnosis methods,
 urban policies theoretical framework
 operational approach of urban planning
 Name and type of organisation providing education and training “Ion Mincu” University of Architecture and Urban Planning
 in partnership with INSA - Institut National des Sciences Appliquées Lyon
 Level in national or international classification ISCED 5

Personal skills and competences

Mother tongue(s) **Romanian**

Other language(s)

Self-assessment
European level ()*

English

French

Spanish

Italian

Understanding				Speaking				Writing	
Listening		Reading		Spoken interaction		Spoken production			
C1	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	B2	Independent user
C1	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	C2	Proficient user	B2	Independent user
A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user
A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user	A2	Basic user

(*) *Common European Framework of Reference for Languages*

Social skills and competences Team work in various teams both from the public and private sectors (academic environment, consultancy, cultural or civic organizations, etc.)

Facilitation skills: designing frameworks for interactions between the local public authorities (both civil servants and elected officials) and the non-profit organizations or civic groups on issues related to sustainable urban development

Intercultural skills: awarded several scholarships that allowed me to study and live for several months in England, France and Hungary, United States

Organisational skills and competences As project coordinator in the NGO sector and also as researcher in the academic environment, organizing numerous conferences, seminars, round tables, etc.

Computer skills and competences Microsoft office, AUTOCAD, Corel Draw, Adobe Photoshop

Artistic skills and competences Photography, graphic design

Other skills and competences **Certified Trainer, 2009**
Certified Pedagogy, April 2005

Driving licence	B (2013) – UNEXPERIENCED DRIVER
Additional information	<p>Interest in travelling, and in exchanging ideas with people from various places who share interests in good governance, cultural heritage, pedagogy and education, social entrepreneurship, housing policies, good management of resources, etc.</p> <p>-Member of Advisory Board for Urban Research and Practice Refereed journal published by Routledge in association with EURA - European Urban Research Association, and with UWE Bristol – University of the West of England</p> <p>-founding member of OAR- Romanian Order of Architects, Bucharest</p> <p>-member of APUR - Romanian Professional Association of Urban Planner, Bucharest</p> <p>-member of RUR - Register of Urban Planners, Romania</p> <p>-member of UAR – Romanian Union of Architects</p> <p>ANNEX A – selection of publications, ANNEX B – jury member for various competitions ANNEX C – list of coordinated projects ANNEX D – list of contributions to research and consultancy projects ANNEX E – selection of conferences, public presentations, fellowships</p>

ANNEX A – Selection of publications

Urban planning and housing – chapter 4 in the report **Housing in Romania – improving quality, sustainability and affordability – analysis and recommendations for public policies and regulations**, for the Socio-Economic Council of the Romanian Parliament https://www.ces.ro/newlib/PDF/2022/CES_Studiu-locuire_digital.pdf

An uncertain future: prospects for Bucharest’s large housing estates – co-author with Catalin Berescu, Zina Macri. Journal of Housing and the Built Environment, 1-19, Springer, 2021

Housing Estates in Europe – Poverty, Ethnic Segregation and Policy Challenges, co-author of the chapter 8 – **Many (still) functional housing estates of Bucharest**, p. 167, Springer Open, 2018, ISSN 2365-7588

Making a Difference in Education through Built Environment Education, co-author with Mina SAVA for the article: in *Revista Internacional de Educación para la Justicia Social (RIEJS)*, 2017, 6(1), 301-310. <https://doi.org/10.15366/riejs2017.6.1.017> ISSN: 2254-3139

Cultural Territorial Systems – Landscape and Cultural Heritage as a Key to Sustainable and Local Development in Eastern Europe – co-editor and author of chapter 17 – **Romanian Cultural Territorial Systems First Experiences**, p. 241, Springer Geography – 2016, ISSN 2194-3168

The City – an user manual, Editor and author of introduction and 3 chapters - editorial project financed through Order of Architects program, Igloo, 2015

The sad story of the protected areas in Bucharest, in no 58 EAAE volume - **Transactions on architectural education**, editors: Rodica Crisan, Giovanna Franco, Loughlin Kealy, Stefano F. Musso, EAAE Leuven, Belgique – 2012, ISBN: 978-2-930301-57-0

The ones who make the city in Urban Education Guide – topics, resources, orientations, editors Daniela Calciu and Celia Ghyka, 2011, ISBN 978-973-0-11862-9

Planning and Research for Sustainable Development and **Public Policies and Urban Planning** in Conference Volume **Integrated Planning and Interdisciplinary Research for Sustainable Development of Romania**, Editor Alexandru Ionut Petrisor, INCD URBAN-INCERC – 2012, ISBN 978-606-8165-19-6

Magic Blocks – scenarios for housing ensembles built during the communist regime, author of one chapter - editors Kai Vockler, Ștefan Ghenciulescu, Ed.Zeppelin, ISBN 978-973-006942-6

Public programs challenges for improvement of large housing ensembles, in Urban Regeneration conference publication, editor Giuseppe Cina, CSAU – Urban and Architectural Studies Center, in cooperation with The University of Genova, 2009 ISBN 978-973-1884-59-2

Guide for defining sustainable urban planning approach – a publication of MDLPL – Ministry of Development, Public Works and Housing for the local authorities, October 2007

Apartment building areas as playgrounds – Who plays the game? p. 64 – 72 in **REMIX – fragments of a country**, Venice Biennale 2006, 10th International Architecture exhibition, Ed. Q-Grup, ISBN- 10 973-04537-2

Inhabiting the Outskirts of Bucharest: „old socialist housing estates versus „new” capitalist suburbia developments, p.121 – 143 in **Paths of Urban Transformation**, editor Frank Eckardt, Ed. Peter Lang, Frankfurt, 2005 ISBN 3-631-52211-8

Public Space: losing the politics, finding the policies in *Arta, Tehnologie si Spatiu Public*, Ed. Paideia, 2005

La politique de l’Habitat et la triade « proximité – cohésion – communauté. Prolégomènes a l’étude de l’habitat collectif a Bucarest dans *ARCHES – revue des sciences sociales – tome 6*, 2003: **Communauté, proximité spatiale, cohésion sociale**, Ed. IDEA design&print, Cluj-Bucarest, p. 75-83

ANNEX B – jury member for various competitions

November 2022 – **Cultural Projects competition - NGOs section** - jury president for the competition organized by the Romanian Order of Architects - <https://cultural.oar.archi/juriu>

March 2022 – **Cultural Projects competition - NGOs section** - member of the jury - organized by the Romanian Order of Architects in Romania - <https://cultural.oar.archi/juriu>

2013 - **Refurbishing the public space in the centre of the locality of Sibiel**, (Săliște, Sibiu county), organized by the Architects’ Chamber from Romania (Sibiu-Vâlcea Branch), Heritas Foundation (Sibiu) <http://www.heritas.ro/sibiel/firstEN.html>

2019 – **Home for Humanity** – competition organized by Bucharest Order of Architects and Habitat for Humanity – accessible, easy to build housing units <https://acasapentruumanitate.oar-bucuresti.ro/>

2018 – **MY CITY Tîrgu Mureş/Marosvásárhely/Neumarkt** - public spaces design competition in central area of Tîrgu Mureş (squares: Victoriei, Trandafirilor, Petöfi, Bernady and Cetății boulevard), competition organized by the municipality of Tîrgu Mureş

2016 **Urbaniada II** – jury member in a competition combining space design with brief design with civil society representatives <https://institute.ro/arhitectura/juriul-urbaniada-ii-2084.html>

2015 **Urbaniada** – jury member in a competition combining space design with brief design with civil society representatives <https://institute.ro/arhitectura/urbaniada-adrian-soare-1042.html>

ANNEX C – list of coordinated research and consultancy projects (team leader)

2022-2024 coordinator or UAUIM team for **CircularCityChallenge - Creating a Next Generation Participatory Contest for Young People to integrate** Circularity in School Curricula, ERA-Net – TRANSFORMATIVE CAPACITIES 2021-0270 - The project consortium is led by SYNNO (Vienna) the partners: BISS Institute at Maastricht University (NL), Troifach (AT), Ayuntamiento de Logroño (ES), Bistrita Municipality (RO),

2021 – coordinator of the UAUIM team for the project - **CONCERN – Consultation for Research territorial planning and urban planning and design – correlations to the New Charter of Leipzig** - UAUIM FFCSU

2017-2020 coordinator of ATU team for **UEL – Urban Education Live**, ERA-NET project, ENSUF – VIBRANT COMMUNITIES. The project consortium is led by School of Architecture – University of Tampere, the partners are: Faculty of Architecture - Sheffield University, Faculty of Sociology – University of Liubliana and IPOP from Liubliana. The project is aimed at understanding the new role of the University in promoting and developing live learning experiences with inhabitants at the level of a neighbourhood.

2017: coordinator for **URBAN UP!** Built environment for high school pupils, applied research, design of educational scenarios and implementation of 50 workshops in 7 cities in Romania by local teams – reaching 1000 high school students with messages about the quality of the built environment and the importance of involvement in the decision-making processes.

2014 – 2016 coordinator for **URBOTECA** project, applied research and design of urban pedagogy instruments to promote participatory urban planning - financed through EEA Grants – ONG Fund (managed by FDSC – Civil Society Development Foundation)

2011-2012: coordinator for **Dialogue for Heritage** – applied research and awareness building actions for promoting public policies for heritage protection. Through ATU – Urban Transition Association, Financed by the French Embassy in Bucharest

2009: **DEGRA-CO- Vectors of degradation process in privatized large housing estates built during 1950-1990 period - Specific diagnosis methods for understanding specific problems of living conditions** URBAN NET program (FP7) - Financing agency for the Romanian team: CNMP of the Ministry of Education in Research in Romania, Partners: HURA - Housing and Urban Research Association - Sofia, Delft University, INSA- Institut National des Sciences Appliquées - Lyon

2009: **Urban Observatories network - Research study for the creation and functioning of Urban Observatories as institutional frame for local urban policies**, beneficiary: MDLPL – Ministry of Development, Public Works and Housing, through Lattanzio e Associati - Territorial Governance

2007-2008 – applied research and awareness building for public participation and promotion of sustainable urban policies objectives through a network of NGOs: **UP & GO – The NGO Platform for the city of Bucharest**, through ATU – Urban Transition Association, Funding: MATRA programme of the Dutch Government

2007-2008 - applied research and awareness building **Together for A Better City - ABC of urban policy**, through ATU – Urban Transition Association, Funding: CEE TRUST - Trust for Civil Society for Central and Eastern Europe

2003-2005 - **PRELIMINARY STUDY FOR A PILOT PROJECT: IMPROVEMENT OF COLLECTIVE HOUSING – REHA** assessment of the current institutional and legal framework on condominiums; case studies on good practices of rehabilitation of condominiums, through ATU – Urban Transition Association, in partnership with *Villes en Transition* association from Lyon
Funding: COCOP programme of French Embassy in Romania

2001 - 2002 – applied research and action for **COMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS OF CURTEA VECHE AREA** – the first project of ATU – Urban Transition Association, Funding: UNDP – New York

ANNEX D – list of contributions to research and consultancy projects (team member)

2022- 2024 member of ATU team for **Collective Networks for Everyday Community Resilience and Ecological Transition, CoNECT** (ERA-NET Cofund JPI ENUTC 2021-0270) – leading partner – ATU – Association for Urban Transition

2020-2022 – part of UAUIM team for **InCLIMATE - Integrating climate resilience in EU higher education** - ERASMUS+ 2020 - KA2 - Cooperation for Innovation and the Exchange of Good Practices - Strategic Partnerships for Higher Education

2020-2022 – part of UAUIM team for **DANURB + Building Regional and Local Resilience through the Valorization of Danube's Cultural Heritage**

2021- expert for World Bank Report - **Roma Inclusion in Cities**, with Catalin Berescu, and Carli Venter – coord for the Romanian case

2020-2021 expert for World Bank Global Study: **Age Ready Cities**, Romanian case study, with Ilinca Paun Constantinescu and Zina Macri

2020-2022: expert for **URBANITIES 2.0. – Erasmus Plus project** – <https://www.urbanities.org/> a project aiming at empowering citizens for being actively engaged in the development of equitable and sustainable European urban neighbourhoods.

2018-2021: expert and team coordinator for **Urban Education Live** project - <https://urbedu.live/> - (ERA-NET JPI Vibrant Communities program) applied research project for new models of collaboration between universities and urban communities where students and their coordinators act as catalysts of urban change through trans-educational urban capacity building. Both local communities and the learning process of students benefit from this collaboration model.

2015 – 2018 expert and ATU team coordinator for **URBANITIES – Erasmus Plus project** – design of mobile application to explain the values and instruments of public participation at neighbourhood level.

2012 - 2014: expert for applied research and participatory planning methodology and action in **VIVA EASTPART – Valorization and Improving of Management of Small Historic Centers in the Eastern Partnership Region**, project financed by Euro East Culture Programme of the European Commission, lead partner ATU – Urban Transition Association, and the other partners: Politechnic School of Bari – Urban Planning and Architecture Department, Armecas Association (Armenia) și Actie - Agenția de Cooperare Transfrontalieră și Integrare Europeană (Republic of Moldova)

2010 - 2011: project manager and author for an applied research project: **Urban Development Audit of Bucharest 1990 – 2010: defining mediation directions between the public and private interests**. Tender organized by the Municipality of Bucharest, lead partner was ATU – Urban Transition Association having SC QUATTRO Design SRL as partner.

2012 – 2013 coordinator of ATU team and expert in applied research and action for promoting participation in urban planning processes – around the Order 2701/2010 for informing and consulting the public in the elaboration of urban planning documentations: **CUPA –Capacity for Participatory Planning**, through ATU – Urban Transition Association. Lead partner was Active Watch Association. The other partner was GDL – Local Development Group. Project financed by POCA – Operational Programme for Administrative Capacity

2009-2010: expert in the team for **Methodological Guidance for the Integrated Urban Project**, tender organized by the Ministry of Regional Development, through Lattanzio e Associati – Territorial Governance.

2008-2009 expert in the team for Methodology for the Improvement of public spaces in housing ensembles, tender organized by the Ministry of Regional Development, through ATU – Urban Transition Association, partner in a consortium led by Space Syntax London and with GEa – Applied Economy Group.

2007-2009 - researcher in **ACUM - Art, Urban Communities, Mobilisation - Reinserting the Architectural and Artistic Project in the Society**, Financing agency: CNCSIS – National Council for Scientific Research in Academic Environment, Ministry of Education and Research, UAUIM – coord., partners: University of Arts Bucharest, Centre for research and studies in culture CSCDC, Landscape Design Faculty, Bucharest.

2007 - 2008 - **Fighting the social exclusion through housing: Rehabilitation methodology of the disadvantaged social groups housing** financed by the MDLPL – Ministry of Development, Public Works and Housing, Responsible for the legal and institutional framework part of the study

2006-2007 – expert in the applied research project entitled: **Better living conditions in the historical centres of Bucharest and Sibiu and in the collective housing ensembles in Bucharest (MIEUX HABITER)**, through ATU – Urban Transition Association in partnership with *Villes en Transition* from Lyon, Funding: French Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2005-2007 – researcher in the team for **Interdisciplinary approach for the improvement of the collective housing conditions through rehabilitation** (REAL: REabilitare Ameliorare Locuire), through ATU – Urban Transition Association in a consortium led by UAUIM – Ion Mincu University of Architecture and Urban Planning. Funding: CNCSIS – National Council for scientific Research, Romanian Ministry of Education

ANNEX E - selection of conferences, public presentations, fellowships

March 2022 – June 2022 – speaker and part of the coordination team – **Urban Up Grows Up! – fellowship program for students in various faculties – creating content for highschool pupils in relation to the built environment education** – a program of De-a Arhitectura Association in partnership with Bucharest Branch of the Order of Architects

October 2021 - **Housing of the Past Improved for the Future** conference in the– public event of the project **Living 2060** (Creative Europe) - <https://living2060.x-change.at/en/expert-forum/living-for-me-is/>

October 2018 – coordinator and speaker: **Urban Education Live Symposium** – with project consortium partners: School of Architecture – Sheffield University, Tampere University – Architecture School, Ljubljana University – Faculty of Social Sciences

April 2017 – Bucharest: coordinator and speaker in the **De-a arhitectura Talks #3**, with international partners: Jugend Architektur Stadt – Berlin, Architecture Information Center – Helsinki, ROCKET & Ito Juku – Japan, Arkki – Finland.

September 2016 – coordinator and speaker for **City in Transitions. Spaces of Confusion, Places of Hope** – the Annual Conference of INURA - International Network for Urban Research and Action (established in 1991) www.inura.org

October 2016 – Bucharest – coordinator and speaker for the **Built Environment Education Day** – a conference that was part of the Biennale of Architecture Program of the UAR – Romanian Union of Architects.

March 2016 - Bucharest: speaker in the conference **Cities of Tomorrow#4 – Sustainable regions, cities, communities**, organized by AHK - German Chamber of Commerce in Romania

November 2015 - Bucharest – coordinator and speaker in the **De-a Arhitectura Talks#2**- Conference, organized by Playing Architecture Association in partnership with the Architecture and Children working of UIA – International Union of Architects.

July 2012: **Marshall Memorial Fellowship** offered by German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF) for young European leaders – MMF Alumni Transatlantic Network

May 2011 – Bucharest – coordinator and trainer for 24 participants in **Alternative Bucharest** – Interdisciplinary workshop for urban regeneration scenarios in the Buzesti-Berzei area. Organized by ATU – Urban Transition Association, Public Space Association, Local Development Group Association, Anthropolysis Association, volunteering.

September 2010 – Bucharest - coordinator and trainer for 35 participants in **Cities Methodologies Workshop** – urban explorations of abandoned spaces, organized by National University of Arts, New Gallery Association and ATU - Urban Transition Association, with the support of National Fund for Culture and UCL – University College London, Urban Laboratory – UCL, New Europe College – NEC, Goethe Institute

2009-2010 **New Europe College Research Fellowship** for the project **Parallel discourses on urban policy and the Romanian urban planners: between EU principles and local contradictions**

2008 – 2009 European Commission Fellowship for participation in the program EPICSL - **European Programme in Civil Society Leadership**, within a research project financed through FP7. Partners and training sessions organizers: Nonprofit Management Group - WU - Vienna University of Economics and Business, Heidelberg University – Centre for Social Investment, Stockholm School of Economics, Trinity College – School of Business – Center for Non Profit Management, Dublin

October 2008 - Bucharest – Public Policies for Sustainable Urban Development, panel intervention in the second section of the National Conference of Urban Planners in Romania, organized by the Register of Romanian Urban Planners, and the Ministry of Development, Public Works and Housing

June 2008 - Berlin – participation in workshop: Integrated urban management through multi-sector/-actor governance, at the second URBAN-NET Stakeholder Symposium entitled “Future research areas on Urban Sustainability in Europe”

June 2008- Paris –participation in workshop: *How to build participation based on a new collective intelligence?*, of the **European conference of citizens and residents from the major cities**, Maison de l'Europe

November 2007- Bucharest – conference entitled: **Urban Regeneration in Romania – the Role of Government, of the Civil Society and of the Economic Actors Urban Regeneration in Romania: problems and Opportunities** in the plenary of the International Symposium organized by Liga Habitat in partnership with MDLPL – Ministry of Development, Public Works and Housing and with Housing + (Housing Association Holland), WOONBROON Holland and CECODHAS Germany

October 2007- Lyon - **La sensibilisation des autorités publiques aux démarches participatives dans les projets urbains à Bucarest** - conference in the workshop 2 **Quand la ville se dessine ensemble ou de participation citoyenne lors de la mise en place de politiques de renouvellement, d'aménagement** - RECICLOPOLIS Lyon – symposium organized by Robins de Ville – Usine TASE

September 2007 - Paris - **An emerging policy for Sub-Standard Housing recognition and reduction** – report and conference on the Romanian case – as independent expert in the PEER REVIEW – France - **National Action Plan against Substandard Housing**, Paris, organized by European Commission

September 2007- Bucharest- independent expert in the working group for debating the results of the Study: **Implementation of European Standards in Romanian Housing Legislation**, workshop organized by MDLPL and the Institute for Real Estate Construction and Housing Ltd. Vienna

Mai 2006- Bucharest - **Blocks of flats in Bucharest: What is to be seen = individual initiative; What is to be said = theoretical approach; What is to be done = municipal projects**” in the International Symposium **»City Sharing«** - **A cross-culture Investigation on Communities and urban space** organized by CIAC – International Center for Contemporary Art

November 2004 - Rotterdam: the conference **Designer and Informal Networks: too much hope on Bottom Up initiatives!** in the International Symposium **Collage City: Forward! The Revolutionary promise of Contemporary Architectural and Urban Design alternatives after 1989**, organized by NAI (Netherlands Architectuur Instituut)

August 2004 -Toulouse: the conference - **L'habitat collectif a Bucarest – comment dépasser les blocages?** In the frame of l'Atelier 5: DES QUARTIERS D'HABITAT EQUILIBRES of the 9th Summer University organized by the Conseil Français des Urbanistes : **l'Europe des urbanismes - cultures et pratiques du projet**

March 2004 – Budapest - research grant and public presentation in a special seminar in the Galeria Centralis, **Six Stalin Cities (March 10 - 31)**, Organized by CEU Centre for Arts and Culture in cooperation with the Open Society Archives, The Red House - Centre for Culture and Debate, Sofia and the New Europe College

2003: European Commission Scholarship for participation with paper in the Conference: **The European City in Transition – Urbanism and Globalization**, Haus der Europäischen Urbanistik (Weimar)

2002: Open Society Foundation Scholarship for participating in the Summer University: **The Future Role of Cities in a Globalizing World: Challenges for New Public Strategies and Innovative Urban Governance**, at CEU - Central European University (Budapest)

2001-2005: French Government Scholarship for PhD research in Institute d'Urbanisme, Lyon

2001: Open Society Foundation Scholarship for participation in the **Urban Management Course** - organized by the World Bank și LGI (Local Government Initiative), Budapest