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Ph.D. in History & Theory of Architecture (2012), “Ion Mincu” University of Architecture and Urbanism, Bucharest, Romania, 2012 (thesis: “The Romanian Railway Project, 1842-1916”)

M.A., Architecture and Urban Planning (2006), B.A., Architecture (2004), “Ion Mincu” University of Architecture and Urbanism, Bucharest

Architect & urban planner, liberal practice (certified by the Order of Romanian Architects, the Registry of Romanian Urban Planners and the Ministry of Culture of Romania) (since 2004)

Main scholarships and fellowships:

New Europe College – Institute for Advanced Studies, Bucharest / Institute for Railway Studies and Transport History, York, UK (2009-2010)

Maison des Cultures du Monde, Paris, France (2007)

Ghent University, Belgium – IAESTE scholarship (2006)

Central European University – Summer University, Budapest, Hungary (2005)

Ecole d'Architecture de Toulouse, France – Erasmus scholarship (2000-2001)

Books and catalogues:

Sole author:

Proiectul feroviar românesc (1842-1916) [*The Romanian Railway Project (1842-1916)*], Bucharest: Ed. Simetria, 2014: “Architecture Book of the Year” award, 2015, Order of Romanian Architects; “Science Book of the Year” award, 2015, Association of Romanian Publishers; “Architecture Publication” award, 2016, Romanian Biennale of Architecture

Co-authorship / contributions (selection):

New Yorkul în delir [*Delirious New York*] (author: Rem Koolhaas), Bucharest: Ed. Universitară „Ion Mincu”, 2018 (scientific consultant, associate translator)

Lecția Las Vegas [*Learning from Las Vegas*] (authors: R. Venturi, D. Scott Brown, S. Izenour), Bucharest: Ed. Universitară „Ion Mincu”, 2017 (scientific consultant, associate translator)

Arhitectura modernă. O istorie critică [*Modern Architecture. A Critical History*] (author: Kenneth Frampton), Bucharest: Ed. Universitară „Ion Mincu”, 2016 (scientific consultant, associate translator) (nominated for the “Architecture Book of the Year” award, 2016)

Cincinat Sfințescu. Începuturile urbanismului românesc [*Cincinat Sfințescu. The Beginnings of Romanian Urban Planning*], Bucharest: Ed. Universitară „Ion Mincu”, 2015

Profesori ai Școlii de Arhitectură [*Teachers of the Romanian School of Architecture*], Bucharest: Ed. Universitară „Ion Mincu”, 2012

Spațiul modernității românești [*The Space of Romanian Modernity*], Bucharest: Ed. Arhitect Design, 2011

The «Alexandru Tzigara-Samurcaș» Archive, Bucharest: Ed. Universitară “Ion Mincu”, 2009 (nomination for the “Architecture Book of the Year” award, 2010)

S•PARK, Bucharest: Ed. Simetria, 2008

Bordușani – âge, usage, visage, paysage, Sibiu: Casa de Presă și Editura Tribuna, 2007

La mémoire des murs – L'esprit français dans l'architecture roumaine, Bucharest: Ed. ICR, 2006

Recent articles (selection):

- „Introduction: The Historicity of Modernism”, in *sITA – studies in History and Theory of Architecture*, vol. 7, 2019, pp. 7-10
- „Planurile de sistematizare ale orașelor din România înainte de al Doilea Război Mondial” [Urban Systematization Plans for Romanian Cities before World War II], in *Confluente arhitecturale [Architectural Confluences]*, Bucharest: Ed. Ozalid, 2018, pp. 247-274
- „Teodor Octavian Gheorghiu, *Small Towns / Large Villages in Southwestern Romania. Urban Monographs*” (book review), în *sITA – studies in History and Theory of Architecture* vol. 5/2017, pp. 198-201
- “On the Nation's Margins. Territorial and Urban Policies during the Romanian Administration of Southern Dobruđa (1913-1940)”, in *sITA – studies in History and Theory of Architecture* vol. 4/2016, pp. 103-121
- „Înaintașii noștri. Istoria unei rubrici (1972-1989)” [Our Forerunners. The story of a column (1972-1989)], in *Arhitectura*, no. 5-6 (665-666), 2016, pp. 85-90
- “Dezvoltare urbană și patrimoniu construit. PUZ Zona protejată « Cetatea Alba Iulia »” [Urban Development and Built Heritage. Zonal Urban Plan of the ‘Alba Iulia Citadel’ Protected Area], in *Urbanismul, Serie nouă*, no. 21-22/2016, pp. 120-130
- “Grigor Doytchinov, Alexandra Đukić, Cătălina Ioniță (eds.), *Planning Capital Cities: Belgrade, Bucharest, Sofia*” (book review), in *sITA – studies in History and Theory of Architecture* vol. 3/2015, pp. 210-213
- “Problema circulației și a transporturilor – viziune urbanistică și aplicații” [Urban Traffic and Transportation Issues – Vision and Practice], in *Cincinat Sfințescu. Începuturile urbanismului românesc [Cincinat Sfințescu. The Beginnings of Romanian Urban Planning]*, Bucharest: Ed. Universitară „Ion Mincu”, 2015, pp. 54-62
- „Oraș, arhitectură, patrimoniu. Contribuții ale Departamentului de Istoria & Teoria Arhitecturii și Conservarea Patrimoniului « Sanda Voiculescu » la cercetarea în urbanism” [City, Architecture, Heritage. Research Contributions by the “Sanda Voiculescu” Department of History & Theory of Architecture and Heritage Conservation in the Field of Urban Planning], in *Urbanismul, Serie Nouă*, no. 19, 2015, pp. 94-97
- “Introduction: Behind the Big Picture” (with Ana Maria Zahariade), in *sITA – studies in History and Theory of Architecture* vol. 2/2014, pp. 7-10
- “Radu Patrulius. Omul și vremurile” [Radu Patrulius. The Man and His Times], in *Arhitectura* 2(650)/2014, pp. 96-100
- “Problematica istoriei urbane în revista ‘Urbanismul. Serie Nouă’ (2008-2013)” [Urban History Issues in the Journal of ‘Urbanismul. Serie Nouă’ (2008-2013)], in *Historia Urbana* vol. XXII/2014, pp. 368-371
- “Căile ferate și planificarea urbană în București (1869-1919)” [Railways and Urban Planning in Bucharest (1869-1919)], in *Historia Urbana*, vol. XXI/2013, pp. 271-290
- “Gările tip în « stil C.F.R. ». Premise și clasificare tipo-morfologică” [Typified Railway Stations in the « C.F.R. Style ». Premises and Typo-morphological Classification], in *Revista Monumentelor Istorice*, 1-2/2011-2014, pp. 98-114
- “Roman: schița evoluției arhitectural-urbanistice” [The City of Roman: an Outline of its Urban and Architectural Evolution], in *Studii de arhitectură românească [Romanian Architecture Studies]*, Ed. Universitară „Ion Mincu”, Bucharest, 2013, pp. 18-38
- “Un aller simple pour la modernité - L’urbanité roumaine sous le signe de la voie ferrée (1859-1918)”, in *The New Europe College Yearbook, 2009-2010*, 2012, pp. 271-305.
- “Impactul teritorial al dezvoltării infrastructurii feroviare în „România mică” - studiu de caz în context european” [The Territorial Consequences of Railway Development in the Kingdom of Romania – Case Study in a European Context], in *Urbanismul, Serie nouă*, no. 10/2011, pp. 102-104
- „Natură moartă cu rinoceri. Cazul « Dâmbovița » – un proiect politic” [Still Life with Rhinoceros. The “Dâmbovița” Case – a Political Project], in *The Golden Age for Children* (Stockholm: ICR & Labyrinth Press & pionier press, 2008), pp. 56-57

Recent conference presentations (selection):

„Urban Renewal and Resilience”, 14th International Conference on Urban History, Roma, 2018

„Railways in the First World War”, 8th International Conference on Railway History, Budapest, 2018

“Railway Infrastructure and Urban Planning – the Romanian Case (1870-1920)”, EAUH Conference, Helsinki, 2016

“Planning, Colonization and Nation-Building: Territorial and Urban Policies in Southern Dobrudja (1913-1940)”, ASEEEES Convention, Philadelphia, 2015

“Les gares de Roumanie avant la Grande Guerre. Classification architecturale dans une perspective culturelle”, The International Committee for the History of Technology Symposium, Braşov, 2014

“On the right side of the tracks: urban and railway planning in Romania before World War I”, ASEEEES Convention, Boston, 2013

“Reshaping landscapes, reinventing limits: railways and territory in Romania before World War I”, ASEEEES Convention, New Orleans, 2012

“Connecting and disconnecting the networks: railways and the Greater Romania political project”, *Networks of Infrastructure and the Phantom Borders in East Central Europe* Conference, Frankfurt (Oder), 2012

”Ubiquitous modernity: Stations in Romania before the Second World War”, *(Dis)continuities: Spaces of modernity, 1900-1950*, Bucharest, 2010

Associate editor to the journal of *sITA - studies in History and Theory of Architecture*. Editor in charge for vol. 2 (2014): *Indigenous Aliens. Mediators of Architectural Modernity* and for vol. 7 (2019): *Seasoned Modernism. Prudent Perspectives on an Unwary Past* (sita.uauim.ro)

Courses taught at “Ion Mincu” University of Architecture and Urbanism: *History of Settlements in Europe* (mandatory course, main curriculum), *Modern and Contemporary Architecture in Romania* (seminar), *Built Insertions in Protected Areas* (project), *Architecture – Housing – City* (seminar) etc.

Professional memberships:

Order of Romanian Architects

Registry of Romanian Urban Planners

Professional Association of Romanian Urban Planners

Romanian Academy Commission for the History of Romanian Cities

International Railway History Association

Association for Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies (ASEEEES) (USA)

Rails et histoire / Association pour l’Histoire des Chemins de Fer (France)

Association for the Urban Transition (Romania)