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During October 17–18, 2025, Ovidius University of Constanța organized the 3rd edition of the *Ovidian Doctorals*, an event that has already become a tradition in the academic calendar, dedicated to promoting doctoral research, the exchange of ideas, and interdisciplinary collaboration.

The 3rd edition of the Ovidian Doctoral Conference brought to the forefront Doctoral Research under the lens of standards: **what do we write? what do we report? how? when? how much?** The dialogue session, moderated by Ana-Maria Popa (Popescu) PhD, brought together for a first roundtable Professors Elena Condrea (Vice-Rector responsible for research, development, and relationship with the Institute of Doctoral Studies), Ionela Munteanu (Director of the Research and Innovation Management Department), and Elena Danteș (Coordinator of the Ad Augusta project). The guests discussed the challenges of scientific reporting, best practices, requirements, and the ethics of scientific reporting in doctoral research.

Another topic discussed in the plenary session, within the Doctoral Forum, was **Artificial Intelligence in doctoral research: Tips and Tricks**, presented in the form of a workshop led by Roxana Patraș (*Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași*) and Adrian Vidrașcu (*Ion Mincu University of Architecture and Urbanism*). The workshop provided participants with practical tools for the responsible use of AI technologies in academic writing and analysis, emphasizing the role of digital innovation and the ethical challenges in the development of modern research.

Entitled **Doctoral Mobilities in the ARTEMIS Era: New Challenges, New Opportunities**, the roundtable, moderated by PhD student Andreea Simion, featured as guests Professor Cristina Duhnea PhD (Department of International Relations, Academic Partnerships, and International Ranking) and PhD students Oana Ursică (Medical Sciences), Ioana-Mihaela Șandru and Augustin-Virgiliu Petcu (Philology), Ana-Maria Săcuiu and Andreea Raluca Toma Moise (Management), and Andreea Spînu (Sports Science and Physical Education). They shared experiences and perspectives on the benefits of international training and the new opportunities offered by mobility programs through the Erasmus+ UOC office.



The doctoral students' scientific communication session, held in several parallel sections, covered diverse fields – from linguistics and literature to economic, historical, and medical sciences.

As in previous editions of the Ovidian Doctoral Conferences, the doctoral students' presentations were followed by first-year colleagues within the Institute of Doctoral Studies, in an exercise dedicated to assessing the way research results are communicated. Through this approach, the presenters benefited from collegial feedback from the observers, while the latter engaged in a critical-reflective exercise designed to familiarize them with the dynamics and requirements of scientific communication.



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**Digital language and communication training
for EU scientists**

The Ovidian Doctoral School also hosted a dissemination event for the Erasmus+ project **Digital Language and Communication Training for EU Scientists**. Assoc. Prof. Alina Buzatu PhD, Dean of the Faculty of Letters and facilitator, together with Prof. Monica Vlad PhD, of the DILAN online scientific communication course, presented the **European DILAN Project – how do we communicate science? The genres of scientific discourse, tools of epistemic authority**. The lecture offered a broad perspective on how scientific language can become a bridge between specialists and the general public.

The round table **From Research to Social Impact: The Role of the Researcher in Promoting Knowledge** moderated by Prof. Monica Vlad PhD, featured guests Dr. Oana Carciu (University of Zaragoza), Assoc. Prof. Cătălin Pavel PhD (Ovidius University of Constanța), and Senior Researcher Roxana Patraș (Alexandru Ioan Cuza University of Iași). They discussed the researcher's responsibility in transforming science into accessible and relevant knowledge for the community, the impact of digitalization on transmitting knowledge to the general public, visibility and social impact, which are sensitive topics in the contemporary world.

At the same time, a series of communications dedicated to this European project were carried out within the **DILAN Panel – Online Science Communication**, moderated by lect. Oana Carciu PhD (University of Zaragoza). During the session, the way research can be effectively communicated in the digital environment was explored. Participants analyzed how the DILAN course, specially designed within this project to help young researchers acquire, through interdisciplinary, peer-to-peer learning, the skills necessary for developing new digital forms of online science communication, can become a sustainable training tool.



PREMIERE AT THE OVIDIAN DOCTORAL CONFERENCE



AWARDING OF HONORARY DIPLOMAS



At the *Ovidian Doctoral Conference*, a first was marked within the Doctoral Studies Institute of Ovidius University of Constanța – **the awarding of honorary diplomas to the graduates of the 2024–2025 class**.

The ceremony brought together doctoral graduates, supervising professors, mentors, colleagues, and their relatives in a celebratory moment dedicated to academic achievement. The festive atmosphere was one of gratitude and joy, celebrating the culmination of effort and perseverance shown by the young researchers.



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AD. Augusta Center at the PneumoClinics School TM 2025



Within the *PneumoClinics TM School - 2025 edition*, held at the *Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy* in Timișoara, the AD AUGUSTA Center was remarkably represented in the section dedicated to doctoral students.

The section on *Doctoral Research in Romania and the International Visibility of its Results* was moderated by Professor Elena Dantescu (Ovidius University of Constanța, PNRR-Ad Augusta project director), alongside Professor Cristina Dehelean (Director of the Doctoral School at Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara) and Associate Professor Monica Marc (Victor Babeș University of Medicine and Pharmacy Timișoara).

The PhD students of the **Doctoral School of Medicine**, **Adriana Săvulescu** and **Roxana Cîrjaliu**, members of the AD AUGUSTA Center, presented talks based on the results of their doctoral research. Their work aligned with the thematic line of excellence promoted by the AD AUGUSTA Center, which aims to integrate fundamental research with clinical practice and the development of personalized medicine in respiratory pathologies.

The event provided a platform for dialogue between generations of researchers, strengthening the ties between partner doctoral schools and facilitating the promotion of the international visibility of Romanian research in the field of pulmonology.

UOC at

PLURIDISCIPLINARY ACADEMIC
MOBILITY

ARTEMIS



Ovidian doctoral students, accompanied by faculty members, participated in the **ARTEMIS 2025 Festival**, hosted by the University of Ioannina in Greece, from October 13-15, 2025, where they benefited from opportunities for collaboration and exchange of ideas in the field of resilience in science and urban development within the *Non-Conference Resilience in Science - Science for Resilience*.

The two days of the event were dedicated to reflecting on failures and discovering resilience strategies through interactive and collaborative activities, as well as the social impact of research. The event also included a Doctoral Blossom session, aimed at presenting the doctoral students' research under the scrutiny of participating professors. Representing the Ovidius team, Ana-Maria Săcuiu presented her research under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Angela Micu, and Roxana Zaharia presented hers under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Cerasela Spătariu.

The event concluded with the creation of a collective map of resilience and commitments for future actions in the spirit of adaptive science.

At the **ARTEMIS Festival 2025**, the participants included Liliana Tuță - Vice-Rector and ARTEMIS Coordinator, Monica Vlad - Director of CSUD, and Ionela Munteanu - Director of the Research and Innovation Management Directorate, alongside PhD students from the doctoral schools: **Ana-Maria Săcuiu**, **Ștefan-Daniel Florea (Management)**, **Roxana-Marcela Zaharia (Business Administration)**, **Andrea Spînu (Sports Science and Physical Education)**, **Andrei-Cosmin Eftinoiu and Atanase Pitu (Dentistry)**, **Lavinia-Renate Căpraru, Alexandra-Cristiana Gache, and Oana-Andreea Ursică (Medicine)**, **Augustin Virgiliu Petcu (Philology)**, and **Teodora Laura Tănase (Applied Sciences - Biology)**.

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PARTICIPATIONS IN CONFERENCES AND CONGRESSES



Between October 9–11, 2025, doctoral students [Otilia-Ana Lungu](#), [Ana-Maria Săcuiu](#), [Andreea-Raluca Moise-Toma](#), [Ștefan-Daniel Florea](#), [Dragoș Gruia](#), [Bianca Elena Miron](#), and [Isabelle-Ana-Maria Vîlsan](#) from the **Doctoral School of Management** represented Ovidius University of Constanța at the *2nd edition of the International Conference on Economics – Challenges and Opportunities*, held in Predeal. Under the guidance of Prof. Angela-Eliza Micu PhD, Prof. Elena Condrea PhD, and Prof. Norina Popovici PhD, they presented papers addressing current topics in human resources management, organizational culture, European agriculture, and the Romanian medical system. The conference, organized by Bucharest University of Economic Studies in partnership with 39 universities and research institutes from Romania and abroad (including Ovidius University of Constanța), brought together over 340 participants and 207 scientific papers.

From July 12 to September 26, 2025, at the MIFA Gallery (Masters of Illustration and Animated Film) in Bucharest, the tribute exhibition [Iordan Chimet](#), titled *Lamento for Baltazar the Little Fish*, took place, featuring illustrations created by [Teodora Șoșoș](#), a PhD student at the **Doctoral School of Philology**. Inspired by Iordan Chimet's eponymous poem, the artist explored the surreal universe of the text through a series of mixed media works, in which playfulness, symbolism, and visual fantasy intertwine.

[Iulia Tudorache-Arfire](#), a second-year PhD student at the **Doctoral School of Philology**, participated on October 25, 2025, in the *International Conference Language, Literature and Cultural Policies*, organized by the University of Craiova, where she presented the paper *Oscillating Futures: Feminist Science Fiction at the Crossroads of Tradition and Metamodernity*.

[Nicoleta Însurățelu](#), a doctoral student at the **Doctoral School of History**, participated in two scientific events organized by the [Bucharest Municipality Museum](#). Between October 16–17, 2025, she presented the paper "The Functional Elegance of Some Minor Architectural Elements in 1900" at the first edition of *Pinacoteca – working pavilion*, held at the [Filipescu-Cesianu House](#) (Museum of Ages), and also presented the paper "Plumbuita and Kurşunlu, from Technical Solutions to Cultural-Urban Tradition" at the 10th edition of the *Urban Anthropology Symposium*, with the theme "Sensory Urban Cartographies: Images, Smells, Sounds, Textures."



[Denisa-Gabriela Ion-Andrei](#), a doctoral student at the **Doctoral School of Medicine**, under the supervision of Prof. Elena Dantes PhD, participated in the autumn of 2025 in two scientific events dedicated to research in pulmonology. At the *State-of-the-Art in Pulmonology Conference – Between Tradition and Innovation* (Cluj-Napoca, September 18–20), she presented the paper *The Blood Signature in Lung Cancer*, regarding the role of hematological markers and the ECOG score in the prognosis of lung cancer. At the *Pulmonology Circle of SRP Education for Performance* (Bucharest, October 10–11), she gave the presentation *From Imaging to Survival*, which explores the correlations between clinical, imaging parameters, and the survival of patients with bronchopulmonary cancer.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS



Between October 15–18, 2025, doctoral students [Lavinia Bodeanu](#) and [Andreea-Dalila Nedelcu](#) from the **Doctoral School of Medicine** won the 3rd Prize and an Honorable Mention, respectively, at the 48th Annual National Congress of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, organized by the Romanian Society of Medical Rehabilitation in Poiana Brașov, an event that brought together over 900 participants from across the country.

The distinctions were awarded for the works:

Therapeutic challenges of beta-blocker medication in the context of medical rehabilitation – Lavinia Bodeanu;

Exploratory pilot study: effects of strength training, determined by bioimpedance, in twins – Andreea-Dalila Nedelcu. The research was conducted within the Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, under the coordination of Associate Professor Liliana-Elena Stanciu and Professor Mădălina-Gabriela Iliescu.

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THESIS DEFENSES:

Drd. Săvulescu Adriana**Field of research: Medicine****Thesis title: Factori de prognostic în evoluția infecției cu SARS-CoV-2 și impactul asupra calității vieții****Coordinator: Professor Elena Dantes PhD****Date of defense: 06.10.2025****Drd. Burlacu (Iordăchianu) Andreea-Laura****Field of research: Mathematics****Thesis title: Contribuții la studiul unor probleme de valori proprii pentru operatori eliptici neliniari****Coordinator: Professor Elena Luminița Cosma PhD****Date of defense: 24.10.2025****Drd. Mitu (Ionescu) Cristina-Anita****Field of research: Medicine****Titlul tezei: Studii la nivel celular și molecular în cancerul de prostată avansat****Coordinator: Professor Mariana Așchie PhD****Date of defense: 03.10.2025****Drd. Latori (Vlădăreanu) Liliana****Field of research: Medicine****Thesis title: Reabilitarea medicală în tulburările vestibulare periferice și scoliozele idiopatice ale copilului****Coordinator: Professor Elena Dantes PhD****Date of defense: 29.10.2025****Drd. Vîntu Ioan-Vladimir****Field of research: Mathematics****Thesis title: Contributions to the Study of Evolution Inclusions in Hilbert Spaces****Coordinator: Professor Elena Luminița Cosma PhD****Date of defense: 25.10.2025**

HABILITATION:

Habilitation in the field of Business Administration**Associate Professor Mariana Jugănaru PhD****Thesis title: Abordarea complexă și integrativă a fenomenelor economico-sociale: o paradigmă multidimensională în administrarea afacerilor****Date of defense: 23.10.2025**

PUBLICATIONS OF DOCTORAL STUDENTS

PhD candidate **Denisa-Gabriela Ion-Andrei**, from the **Doctoral School of Medicine**, under the coordination of Professor Elena Dantes and Senior Lecturer Dr. Elena Mocanu, recently published the article titled *Prognostic Value of Routine Hematological Markers and ECOG Performance in Predicting Overall Survival in Lung Cancer – A Retrospective Cohort Study and Literature Review* in the prestigious journal *Journal of Clinical Medicine* (ISI journal, Impact Factor 3.9).

The work was carried out in collaboration with PhD candidates **Alexandra-Cristiana Gache-Belu** and **Andreea-Cristina Postu**, addressing a current topic regarding the prognostic value of routine hematological markers in lung cancer.



PhD candidate **Andreea-Raluca Moise-Toma**, from the **Doctoral School of Management**, published the article entitled *Principal Components Analysis of Economic Factors in EU Agriculture: Impact and Interdependencies* in the journal *UCB Annals of the Constantin Brâncuși University, Economy Series*.

PhD candidate of the **Doctoral School of Philology**, **Anca-Andreea Simion**, under the supervision of Professor Dr. Monica Vlad, published the article *Pratiques de diffusion de la recherche scientifique doctorale: étude de cas sur l'Université Ovidius de Constanța (Roumanie)* in the Acts of the Symposium of Francophone Scientific Research in Central and Eastern Europe, Volume II, ISSN ONLINE 3119-8767.

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