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" Dear ARTEMIS Alliance Team,

I truly appreciated the opportunity to take part in this inspiring edition. The event indeed provided a valuable platform for insightful discussions, meaningful exchanges, and networking with fellow researchers from diverse backgrounds. It was a rewarding experience, both academically and personally.

Thank you once again for your kind message and encouragement. I look forward to future initiatives and collaborations within the European doctoral community.

Best,
Daouda "

On the occasion of the European Day of Doctoral Studies, [Ovidius University of Constanța](#) (UOC), through its [Institute of Doctoral Studies](#), held the first edition of the EU-ARTEMIS Doctoral Day on 13 May 2026, an international online event organized within the [ARTEMIS European University Alliance](#).

The event was inaugurated by Prof. Monica Vlad PhD, Director of the Institute of Doctoral Studies at UOC; Prof. Marie-Elisabeth Baudouin PhD, Coordinator of the ARTEMIS European University on behalf of Université Clermont Auvergne; and Prof. Liliana Tuță PhD, Vice-Rector for International Relations at UOC. During the introductory session, Pavlos Christodoulides (University of Ioannina) set forth the vision for the development of the future ARTEMIS Joint Doctoral School.

More than 120 doctoral candidates from the partner universities participated in an interactive academic experience, conceived around interdisciplinary collaboration, the exchange of novel ideas, and intercultural dialogue.

The programme featured presentations on life as a doctoral candidate, along with team-building activities and collaboration within international teams, in which the young researchers put forward creative solutions to the strategic themes of the ARTEMIS Alliance: technology and transport, health and the environment, and migration and human rights.

The event was hosted by [Dr. Ada Roseti](#) and [Dr. Carmen Nicolae](#), representatives of the SciPublic Forum and organizers of the national science-communication competition [Games of Science](#). They led group activities that brought together doctoral candidates from across all the universities of the ARTEMIS Alliance.

On behalf of the [Doctoral School of Philology](#) at Ovidius University, doctoral candidate [Alexandra Vărvorea-Porcescu](#) made a valuable contribution through her reflection on the everyday life of a doctoral student. She shared with the audience how she balances her personal life with her academic pursuits, speaking of the challenges and responsibilities, as well as the rewards, that the doctoral journey entails.

OVIDIUS CONFERENCES

[The Doctoral School of Law](#), together with the Faculty of Law and Administrative Sciences and with the support of the Ovidius F.D.S.A. Alumni Association, organized on 29 May 2026, [the first edition of the Conference of Law Doctoral Candidates](#), which took place in a hybrid format.

The event, dedicated to examining the transformations brought about by digitalization in the legal field, brought together doctoral candidates and young researchers from Romania and the Republic of Moldova. The theme of the inaugural edition – [The Integration of Digitalization into Legal Relations. Challenges, Controversies, Solutions](#) – foregrounded the impact of new technologies on the legal system and the need to adapt the normative framework to contemporary realities.

The conference addressed themes such as the protection of personal data, the use of artificial intelligence in the legal field, the validity of acts concluded through electronic means, and the challenges of legal liability in the digital environment, with participants also examining the relationship between technological innovation and the protection of fundamental rights.

The papers presented at the conference, which were organized into thematic sections dedicated to the main branches of law, are to be evaluated for publication in a special section of the journal [Ars æqui](#), a specialized publication indexed in international databases (CEEOL, EBSCO and HeinOnline).



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The HISTORIPOL Student Association, in partnership with the Faculty of History and Political Sciences of Ovidius University of Constanța, organized from 6 to 8 May 2026 the first edition of the national conference **HISTORY-SEA**, dedicated to undergraduate, master's and doctoral students in the fields of History, Political Sciences, and International Relations.

The event, to which the Ovidius doctoral candidates of the **Doctoral School of History** also contributed, brought together 60 young researchers from university centres across the country, spanning a wide spectrum of scholarly interests, to engage in interdisciplinary exchange and to deliberate together in an open academic setting and a spirit of European freedom.

An exploration of historical themes, ranging across periods of Antiquity and the Middle Ages, the memory of interwar and post-communist Romania, and a perspective on the contemporary world, culminated in a topical panel entitled "Politics by the Minute." The conference program may be consulted by scanning the accompanying QR code.



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From 15 to 16 May 2026 the 22nd edition of **Annual Session of Scholarly Communications of Undergraduates, Master's and Doctoral Students, Text, argumentare și discurs**, organized by Ovidius University of Constanța, the Faculty of Letters, through the Department of Romanian Philology, Classical, Balkan, and Specialized Languages (DFRLCBLS), in collaboration with the **Doctoral School of Philology**.

The general themes of the papers addressed Romanian and world literature, literary theory, the fantastic imaginary, identity, tradition and modernity, as well as aspects of linguistics, syntax, the history of the language, dialectal variation, and ethnohistoristics. Contemporary themes were likewise explored, relating to digital discourse, communication mediated by artificial intelligence, adolescent language, advertising discourse, religious discourse, and argumentative strategies. All the conference communications are included in the program, which may be consulted here: https://litere.univ-ovidius.ro/images/2025-2026/anunturi/Program_Sesiune%20comunicari_UOC_FL_DFRLCBLS_15-16%20mai%202026_Dnew.pdf



AD. AUGUSTA

On Wednesday, 27 May 2026, the South-East Regional Centre for Researcher Career Guidance, **Ad.Augusta**, hosted by Ovidius University of Constanța, organized the online event *How Do I Write a Systematic Review?*

The session was led by Assoc. Prof. Dr. Dan Opariuc and was dedicated to researchers, doctoral candidates, and all those interested in academic writing, taking as its theme the conduct of a systematic review. The online format, conceived as an **academic café**, created an open setting for dialogue and the exchange of ideas, in a relaxed atmosphere oriented toward practical matters.

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PARTICIPATION IN CONFERENCES, SYMPOSIA AND COLLOQUIA

On 7–8 May 2026, **Aurelia Paraschiv**, a fourth-year doctoral candidate of the **Doctoral School of History**, under the supervision of Associate Professor Cătălin Pavel, Dr. habil., served on the organizing committee of the international conference *Second-Hand World. An interdisciplinary approach to recycling, reuse and resource optimization in ancient and traditional societies*.

At the event hosted by the **Accademia di Romania din Roma, Italy**, the doctoral candidate delivered, as co-author, the paper *High-end, low-end...and everything in-between. Roman glass cosmetic containers as an example of recycling, reuse and resource optimization*, thereby contributing to the interdisciplinary discussions concerning practices of recycling, reuse, and resource management in the ancient world.

Specialists from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, France, Greece, Italy, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, and Turkey, representing fields such as archaeology, history, physics, chemistry, physical and social anthropology, ethnography, and classical studies—had the opportunity to undertake a wide, ranging analysis of communities and of resource-use practices in ancient and traditional societies.



Doctoral candidates of the **Doctoral School of Philology**, under the supervision of Professor Angelo Mitchievici, Dr. habil., took part with papers at the **fourth edition** of the **“Paul Cornea” National Colloquium**, held on 15–16 May and organized by the Doctoral School of Letters of the University of Bucharest:

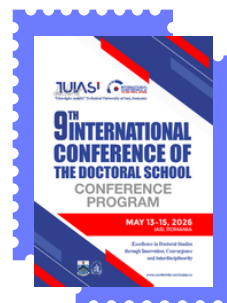
- **Cristina Barbu (Mușat)**: *Indiferența față de adevăr ca tipar al discursului patriotic. Reprezentări ale sentimentului național în comediile lui I. L. Caragiale*;
- **Andreea-Cătălina Răcaru**: *Poetici ale trecutului: fotografii și obiecte în construcția memoriei din “Adela” de Garabet Ibrăileanu*;
- **Liliana Smeu (Turosu)**: *Genealogii ale feminității în piesa “Treii generații” de Lucia Demetrius*.

On 16 May 2026, the students of the **Doctoral School of Management** participated in the *International Scientific Symposium Horizons of Economic Research in a Global Context* (HERGC 2026), organized by the Constantin Brâncuși University of Târgu Jiu. The following contributed papers to this international scholarly event:

- **Ștefan-Daniel Florea, Dragoș Gruia**: *From Leadership to Turnover Intention: The Mediating Role of Empowerment in Healthcare Organizations*;
- **Otilia-Ana Lungu, Isabelle-Ana-Maria Vîlsan**: *The Role of Artificial Intelligence in Performance Appraisal: An Analysis of HR Professionals’ Perspectives*;
- **Ana-Maria Săcuiu, Angela-Eliza Micu, Bianca Elena Miron**: *Employee Retention in Contemporary Organizations: A Predictive Analysis of Motivational, Occupational, and Demographic Factors*;

On 13 May 2026, the doctoral candidates of the **Doctoral School of Applied Sciences – field of Civil Engineering and Building Services**, **Alexandru Gabriel Bîrcă, George Bogdan Teodorescu, Delia Andrieș and Tudorel Șeitan**, under the supervision of Professor Ana Maria Grănescu, Eng., Ph.D., took part in the **Ninth Conference of the Doctoral School** of the **Gheorghe Asachi Technical University of Iași**.

Likewise in attendance were the doctoral candidates **Nicoleta Însurățelu and Andrei Panchici**, jointly supervised (under a cotutelle arrangement) by Professor Grănescu, and affiliated respectively with the **Doctoral School of History**, and the Doctoral School of the Technical University of Civil Engineering of Bucharest. The doctoral candidates presented papers in the field of built heritage preservation.



- **Alexandru Gabriel Bîrcă, George Bogdan Teodorescu, Delia Andrieș, Dan Pericleanu, Ana Maria Grănescu, Dorina-Nicolina Isopescu** – *Methods and Techniques for Enhancing Archaeological Heritage in Urban Spaces*;
- **Andrei Panchici, George Bogdan Teodorescu, Alexandru Gabriel Bîrcă, Nicoleta Însurățelu, Ana Maria Grănescu** – *Risk and Vulnerability of Heritage Facades – An Essential Factor in Restoration*;
- **Tudorel Șeitan, Delia Andrieș, George Bogdan Teodorescu, Ana Maria Grănescu, Dorina-Nicolina Isopescu** – *Techniques and Methods for Investigating Buildings Constructed with Local Materials*.

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The doctoral candidates of the **Doctoral School of Dental Medicine**, Ioana Dinuț, Dorin Alexe, Radu Ciprian Jula, Corina Jula Cazacu and Sergiu Elian Grecu, under the supervision of Professor Elena Șapte, Dr. habil., took part, on 14–16 May 2026, in the **Twenty-Fourth edition of the National Congress of the Romanian Society of Anatomy**, held at the University of Medicine and Pharmacy of Craiova.

Within this scholarly event of international scope, the candidates delivered scientific papers in plenary session, devoted to topical themes in the fields of dental medicine and anatomical research.



On 8–9 May, the **Days of the Faculty of Medicine** of the *Ovidius* University of Constanța took place, an event dedicated to research, academic collaboration, and passion for medicine. Under the coordination of Professor Dr. Elena Dantes, the doctoral candidate **Denisa-Gabriela Ion-Andrei**, of the **Doctoral School of Medicine** presented two papers forming part of her doctoral research, addressing current themes of interest in the field of pulmonary oncology:

- *De la tumoră la pacient: o abordare multidimensională a supraviețuirii în cancerul pulmonar;*
- *Impactul expunerii cronice la poluare asupra profilului molecular în cancerul pulmonar;*

Furthermore, in her capacity as a mentor in training, she supervised the preparation of two posters presented by dedicated and committed students:

- Izabela Ciofu – *Tuberculoza pulmonară la un pacient HIV pozitiv – dificultăți diagnostice și terapeutice;*
- Ana-Maria Constandache și Daniel Giambașu – *Hemoptizia în bronșiectazii – când un simptom devine urgență;*

She also contributed to the oral presentation delivered by her colleague, the pulmonology resident physician Ariadna Mircescu, entitled *Tuberculoza miliară – de la suspiciune la confirmare tardivă*.

THESIS DEFENSES:

PhD candidate Argeșanu Claudiu Mihai

Field: Philology

Thesis title: *Hybrid spaces: the art of place-making in paintings of Shakespeare's plays*

Supervisor: Prof. Monica Chesnoiu-Matei, PhD, habil.

Defense date: 04.05.2026



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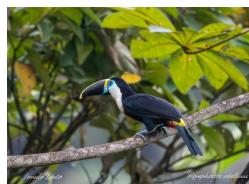
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ERASMUS+ ACADEMIC MOBILITY



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Ianula Duță, doctoral candidate of the **Doctoral School of Applied Sciences – Biology**, under the supervision of Senior Research Scientist III Florina Stănescu, engaged in biological research and exploration across some of South America's most magnificent ecosystems, an opportunity afforded by an Erasmus+ placement in Ecuador.

The activities were conducted primarily at the **Universidad Técnica Particular de Loja (UTPL)**, a modern institution deeply engaged in the study of biodiversity, which has collaborated with our university for several years. There, the doctoral candidate had the privilege of meeting people devoted to research and the conservation of nature: the Romanian researchers **Paul Szekely** and **Diana Szekely**, as well as **Leonardo Ordonez** and **Diego Armijos**.

Throughout the mobility, her participation in fieldwork enabled the doctoral candidate to observe and photograph remarkable species of fauna and flora endemic to Ecuadorian ecosystems, thereby gathering memorable experiences, about which you may learn more here: <https://www.instagram.com/reel/DYfroYcJfNB/?igsh=Yjk5dTB3OTRsd29w>.

The Erasmus+ exchange programme contributed to the advancement of her doctoral work on birds of prey and laid the groundwork for continued academic and scientific collaboration with the researchers at UTPL, extending well beyond the conclusion of the mobility.

ERASMUS+ TRAINEESHIP MOBILITY

Doctoral candidate **Bianca Elena Miron**, of the **Doctoral School of Management**, under the supervision of Professor Angela-Eliza Micu, Dr., habil., took part, during 11.05.2026 – 01.06.2026, in an Erasmus+ traineeship mobility, which took place at **Italconsult S.P.A., Doha Branch, Qatar**.

During the mobility, the doctoral candidate designed and distributed a research questionnaire addressed to the company's employees and conducted two interviews with members of the company's management, the Deputy Branch Manager & Administrative Manager and the Operations & Control Manager, in support of her doctoral research into the role of development programmes in enhancing employee motivation and attaining organisational performance.

At the same time, these activities offered the opportunity to become acquainted with the company's organisational processes and its recruitment and selection practices, thereby fostering the development of skills in research, intercultural communication, and professional collaboration within an international setting.

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