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**Commission on the Sustainability of Rural Systems**  
**International Geographical Union**

**RURAL LIFE AND RURAL SYSTEMS**  
**BETWEEN TRADITION AND INTEGRATED**  
**URBAN-RURAL DEVELOPMENT**

**24 August – 03 September 2014**

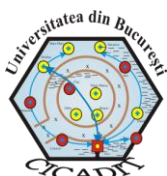
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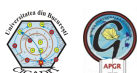
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## COLLOQUIUM THEMES

1. New Theories on the Contemporary Rural Development
2. Sustainability of the Rural Life in Relation to the Economic Performance
3. Returning to Rural Traditions as Perennial Values for the Modernization of the Rural Communities
4. Applied Polycentrism in the Rural Systems Development
5. Urban Sprawl and Planned Suburbanization
6. Present Day Changes in the Urban-Rural / Rural-Urban Migration Flows
7. Diversity of Urban-Rural Interactions and Regional Development
8. Other Themes Connected with the Main Topic

## VENUE

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## PROGRAM

### **Sunday, August 24: Bucharest**

*University of Bucharest*

**Arrival of the participants**

### **Monday, August 25: Bucharest**

*University of Bucharest*

08h30 – 09h00 **REGISTRATION OF THE PARTICIPANTS**

09h00 – 09h30 **OFFICIAL OPENING AND WELCOME REMARKS**

by the Local Organizers of the Colloquium and the Co-Chairs of the Commission

*Ioan Ianoş (University of Bucharest)*

*Ana Firmino (Universidade Nova de Lisboa)*

*Doo-Chul Kim (Okayama University)*

*Cristian Tălângă (APGR)*

**Guests of honor:** *Mircea Dumitru (Rector, University of Bucharest)*

*Dan Bălteanu (Romanian Academy, President of the National  
 Geography Committee)*

09h30 – 11h00 **SCIENTIFIC PLENARY SESSION (I)**

**Chairmen:** *Ana Firmino (Universidade Nova de Lisboa)*

*Cristian Tălângă (APGR)*

*Ioan Ianoş (University of Bucharest)* – Defining the Role of Territorial Nanostructures in the Village Dynamics

*Anthony Sorensen (University of New England)* – Redefining Rural Sustainability in the Second Machine Age



11h00 – 11h30 **COFFEE BREAK**

11h30 – 13h00 **SCIENTIFIC PLENARY SESSION (II)**

**Chairmen:** *Doo-Chul Kim (Okayama University)*

*Daniela Zamfir (University of Bucharest)*

*Fiona Haslam Mckenzie (Curtin University), Valeria Paul (University of Western Australia) – Examining the Contemporary Shifting of Regional Policies in Western Australia*

*Frans Thissen (University of Amsterdam), Joachim Thissen (Joachim Thissen Productions), Susan van den Broek (Joachim Thissen Productions) – Nisse, a Changing Village*

13h00 – 14h30 **LUNCH**

14h30 – 17h00 **AFTERNOON VISIT OF THE PALACE OF THE PARLIAMENT**

17h00 – 19h00 **FREE TIME IN BUCHAREST**

19h00 **DINNER**

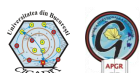
## **Tuesday, August 26: Sibiu**

08h00 – 13h30 **TRAVEL BY BUS TO SIBIU**

13h30 – 15h00 **LUNCH**

15h00 – 18h00 **FREE TIME IN SIBIU**

18h00 **DINNER**



## Wednesday, August 27: Sibiu

### 09h00 – 11h00 PAPER SESSION

**Chairmen:** *Cătălina Ancuța (West University of Timișoara)*  
*Frans Thissen (University of Amsterdam)*

WENLI DONG (Zhejiang University), ZHI QIU (Zhejiang University) – *The Decision Making Framework for Urban Greyfield Regeneration Embedded with Urban Agricultural Activities*

MARY CAWLEY (National University of Ireland Galway) – *Migration and Return between Irish Rural and International Urban Areas*

DOO-CHUL KIM (Okayama University), LE NGOC PHUONG QUY (Hue University of Agriculture and Forestry) – *The Impact of Hydropower Dam Construction on Local Governance and Livelihood Change: The Case Study of a Katu Ethnic Village in Central Vietnam*

CARMEN FERREIRA (University of Porto) – *The Return of Resin Extraction to Portuguese Forests. A Means to Promote the Development of Rural Systems*

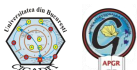
### 11h00 – 11h30 COFFEE BREAK

### 11h30 – 13h00 PAPER SESSION

**Chairmen:** *Helena Pina (University of Porto)*  
*Viorel Chiriță (University of Suceava)*

CHARLINE DUBOIS (University of Liege), SERGE SCHMITZ (University of Liege) – *Which Agritourism for which Suburban Countryside? A Heuristic and Comparative Analysis in Wallonia and Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg (Part 2)*

MOHAN LAL (Kumaun University) – *Development of Tourism and Sustainable Development of Uttarakhand Himalaya*





DAICHI KOHMOTO (Kobe Shukugawa Gakuin University) – *Beyond “Urban-Rural Interaction” in Japan: Changes in Rural Tourism and a Trial for Rural Resource Management*

13h00 – 14h30 **LUNCH**

14h30 – 16h30 **PAPER SESSION**

**Chairmen:** *Roy Jones (Curtin University)*

*Sang-Yool Lee (Catholic University of Daegu)*

IRIT AMIT-COHEN (Bar Ilan University) – *Space in Transition; Attitudes for Cultural Heritage in Rural Area, the Case of the Kibbutzim in Israel*

VIOREL CHIRIȚĂ (University of Suceava), VASILE EFROS (University of Suceava), DANIELA MATEI (Romanian Academy) – *The Bukovina Cultural Village, between Tradition and Territorial Reality*

HELENA PINA (University of Porto) – *Intangible Cultural Heritage and Tourism Development in the Alto Douro (Northern Portugal): A Peaceful Coexistence?*

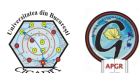
FRANS THISSEN (University of Amsterdam) – *Changing Villages in the Netherlands and Flanders*

16h30 – 17h00 **COFFEE BREAK**

17h00 – 18h30 **WORKSHOP**

*Local and Regional Development in the Second Machine Age: Enhancing Adaptive Capacity in Fast Changing Economic and Social Environments* (ANTHONY SORENSEN, University of New England)

18h30 **DINNER**



## Thursday, August 28: Sibiu

09h00 – 11h00 **PAPER SESSION**

**Chairmen:** *Mary Cawley (National University of Ireland Galway)*

*Antoni Tulla (Universitat Autònoma de Bellaterra)*

IGOR SÎRODOEV (University of Bucharest), ANDREI SCHVAB (University of Bucharest), IONUȚ LUCIAN IANOȘ (University of Bucharest) – *Rural Towns in Romania: a Reality Asking for Specific Development Policies*

DANIELA ZAMFIR (University of Bucharest), ILINCA-VALENTINA STOICA (University of Bucharest), CRISTIAN BRAGHINĂ (University of Bucharest) – *Unplanned Suburbanization in Romania. Case Study: Bucharest Adjacent Rural Space*

FLORENTINA-CRISTINA MERCIU (University of Bucharest), ANDREEA-LORETA CERCLEUX (University of Bucharest), GEORGE LAURENȚIU MERCIU (University of Bucharest), CRISTIAN TĂLÂNGĂ (University of Bucharest) – *Rethinking Rural Space through the Local Identity and Heritage Approach. Case Study Petroșani Depression (Hunedoara County, Romania)*

ILINCA-VALENTINA STOICA (University of Bucharest), DANIELA ZAMFIR (University of Bucharest), LILIANA DUMITRACHE (University of Bucharest), DANIEL CELU VÎRDOL (University of Bucharest) – *Health “Reforms” – Consequences on the Romanian Rural Areas*

11h00 – 11h30 **COFFEE BREAK**



11h30 – 13h00 **PAPER SESSION**

**Chairmen:** *Irit Amit-Cohen (Bar Ilan University)*  
*George Curry (Curtin University)*

FLORENTINA ION (National Institute of Statistics, Romania), IGOR SÎRODOEV (University of Bucharest) — *Rural Central Places: the Case of Bucharest - Ploiești Axis*

GABRIEL SIMION (University of Bucharest) – *Deindustrialization and Urban Sprawl of Bucharest City as Phenomena of Post-Socialist Transformation*

MARA URSACHE (Romanian Academy, Iași Branch) – *Niche Tourism Markets – Means of Enhancing Sustainable Economic Development in EU's Eastern Periphery*

13h00 – 14h30 **LUNCH**

14h30 – 16h00 **PAPER SESSION**

**Chairmen:** *Daichi Kohmoto (Kobe Shukugawa Gakuin University)*  
*Muzaffer Bakirci (Istanbul University)*

LUCIAN TĂNASĂ (Romanian Academy, Iași Branch) – *Benefits of Short Food Supply Chains in the Development of Rural Tourism. Case Study on EU's Emerging Markets*

IRENA MOCANU (Romanian Academy, Institute of Geography), MIHAELA RODICA PERSU (Romanian Academy, Institute of Geography) – *The Territorial Consequences of the Photovoltaic Parks Implantation in the Rural Space of the Giurgiu County*

ANA FIRMINO (Universidade Nova de Lisboa) – *Stone Walls: Functionality and Landscape*

16h00 – 16h30 **COFFEE BREAK**

16h30 – 18h30 **PAPER SESSION**

**Chairmen:** *Lucette Laurens (University Montpellier 3 Paul Valéry)*  
*Anthony Sorensen (University of New England)*

CĂTĂLINA ANCUȚA (West University of Timișoara), NICOLAE POPA (West University of Timișoara), MARTIN OLARU (West University of Timișoara), RAMONA IVAN (West University of Timișoara), LIVIU JIGORIA (West University of Timișoara) – *Vulnerability and Resilience in the Rural Space of Banat (Romania) in the Post-Communist Period: an Analysis of the Factors Determining Differences in Local Development Outcomes*

ROY JONES (Curtin University), H. JOHN SELWOOD (University of Winnipeg), MARK BRAYSHAY (University of Plymouth) – *Group Settlement in the South West of Western Australia: an Unsustainable Rural System?*

SALAH EISA (Menoufia University) – *Status of Management for the Integrated Rural – Urban Development and its Outputs in some Arab Countries*

SANG-YOOL LEE (Catholic University of Daegu) – *The Path of Sustainable Coffee Program and Farmer's Division*

18h30 **DINNER**

**Friday, August 29: Sibiu (mobile workshop)**

**Sibiu – Săliște – Jina – Orlat – Cisnădie – Sibiu**

09h00 – 11h00 **TRAVEL BY BUS, CROSSING THE RURAL AREA**

11h00 – 12h30 **DISCUSSION WITH THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN JINA**

12h30 – 14h00 **LUNCH IN JINA**

14h00 – 16h00 **PAPER SESSION IN JINA**

**Chairmen:** *Carmen Ferreira (University of Porto)*  
*Salah Eisa (Menoufia University)*

GINA KOCZBERSKI (Curtin University), GEORGE CURRY (Curtin University) – *Farming Households in Transition: Changing Generational Relations of Production in Papua New Guinea*

LUCETTE LAURENS (University Montpellier 3 Paul Valéry) – *The Abandonment of Pesticides at the Heart of New Relationships between Local Communities, Biodiversity and Agriculture: Virtuous Dynamic vs a Masked Wait?*

AMALIA BĂDIȚĂ (University of Craiova), MIRELA MAZILU (University of Craiova), LILIANA POPESCU (University of Craiova) – *Challenges for Human Capital and Sustainable Development of Rural Areas. A Case Study on Craiova Metropolitan Area*

PAUL ȘERBAN (Romanian Academy, Institute of Geography), RADU SĂGEATĂ (Romanian Academy, Institute of Geography), DRAGOȘ BAROIU (Romanian Academy, Institute of Geography) – *Governance and its Role in Increasing the Human Communities' Resilience*

16h00 – 18h30 **TRAVEL TO SIBIU, CROSSING THE RURAL AREA**

18h30 **DINNER IN SIBIU**

**Saturday, August 30: Sibiu (mobile workshop)**

**Sibiu – Copșa Mică – Mediaș – Sighișoara – Biertan – Sibiu**

08h00 – 10h00 **TRAVEL BY BUS, CROSSING THE RURAL AREA**

10h00 – 12h00 **VISIT OF SIGHIȘOARA**

12h00 – 13h00 **TRAVEL BY BUS TO BIERTAN**



13h00 – 14h30 **LUNCH IN BIERTAN**

14h30 – 15h30 **DISCUSSION WITH THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES IN BIERTAN**

15h30 – 17h00 **PAPER SESSION IN BIERTAN**

**Chairmen:** *Amalia Bădiță (University of Craiova)*

*Wenli Dong (Zhejiang University)*

NATAȘA VĂIDIANU (University of Bucharest), MIRELA PARASCHIV (University of Bucharest), IRINA SAGHIN (University of Bucharest) – *Social and Ecological Consequences of Planning and Economic Policies in the Danube Delta Biosphere Reserve, Romania*

MUZAFFER BAKIRCI (Istanbul University) – *A Case Study of Rural Tourism within the Periphery of Metropolitan Areas: Polonez Village (Istanbul/Turkey)*

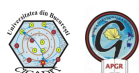
ANTONI TULLA (Universitat Autònoma de Bellaterra), Marta PALLARÈS-BLANCH (Integrated Rural Development Center of Catalonia), ANA VERA MARTIN (Universitat Autònoma de Bellaterra) – *Rural Development in the High Pyrenees and Aran (Catalonia), Entrepreneurship and Women's Participation: Some Significant Experiences*

17h00 – 17h15 **IGU-CSRS 2015 COLLOQUIUM**

ANA FIRMINO (Universidade Nova de Lisboa) – *Sustainable Rural Systems: Smart Answers for a Smiling Future, 23<sup>rd</sup> IGU-CSRS Annual Colloquium in Portugal*

17h15– 19h30 **TRAVEL TO SIBIU, CROSSING THE RURAL AREA**

19h30 Gala dinner in Sibiu – **CLOSURE OF THE COLLOQUIUM**



## Saturday, August 31 – September 02, Fieldtrip:

### 31 August, Sibiu – Deva

Visit of the rural areas on the route:

**Sibiu – Alba-Iulia – Abrud – Roșia Montană – Brad – Deva**

Lunch in Ampoița

Accommodation in Deva

Dinner in Deva

### 01 September, Deva – Târgu Jiu

Visit of the rural areas on the route: **Deva – Hațeg – General Berthelot – Clopotiva – Râu de Mori – Baru Mare – Petroșani – Târgu Jiu**

Breakfast in Deva

Visit of Hațeg area

Lunch in Clopotiva

Accommodation in Târgu Jiu

Dinner in Târgu Jiu

### 02 September, Târgu Jiu – Bucharest

Visit of the rural areas on the route: **Târgu Jiu – Novaci – Berbești – Vaideeni – Horezu – Râmnicu Vâlcea – Bucharest**

Breakfast in Târgu Jiu

Lunch in Horezu

Arrival in Bucharest

### 03 September, Bucharest

Departure of the participants



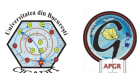
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