

The 2nd *Translation Times* International Conference (online), University of Craiova, 8-9 December 2022, Romania

Given the success of its first edition, organised in 2021 amidst the challenges of the Covid-19 pandemic, the second edition of the *Translation Times* International Conference continued the stated aims and fostered interaction, collaboration and joint research on topics related to translation studies. Organised by the Department of British, American, and German Studies, Faculty of Letters, University of Craiova, in partnership with the Romanian Society for English and American Studies (RSEAS) and the European Society for English Studies (ESSE), under the direct coordination of Professor Titela VÎLCEANU, Director of the *Translatio* Centre for Translation (University of Craiova), the conference took place online between 8-9 December 2022.

The event gathered a number of twenty-eight professors, scholars and researchers from 11 universities in the country and abroad (ESIT - École supérieure d'interprètes et de traducteurs, Université Sorbonne Nouvelle, France; Universidad Pablo de Olavide, Spain; Complutense University of Madrid, Spain; University of Bucharest; West University of Timisoara, Polytechnic University of Timisoara; "Transilvania" University of Brasov, "Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu; Sapientia University of Cluj Napoca; University of Oradea; University of Craiova), alongside twenty-four PhD students from 7 Romanian and foreign universities (Institute of British and American Studies, University of Presov, Slovakia; "Alexandru Ioan Cuza" University of Iasi; West University of Timisoara, Polytechnic University of Timisoara; "Transilvania" University of Brasov; "Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu; University of Craiova) and nineteen Master students from the University of Bucharest and University of Craiova.

During the conference sessions, participants addressed the multifaceted and interdisciplinary nature of translation studies and discussed topics, such as: translation and global studies, literary translation, specialised translation, technology-enhanced translation, corpus-based approaches to translation, quality assurance and control, and translation practices and market developments).

Including three plenary lectures, five sessions for paper presentations, and four workshops dedicated to PhD students and young researchers in the domain, the event covered a wide range of topics and approaches, catering to the interests of the attendees. The invited keynotes speakers, renowned experts in the field, increased the quality and diversity of the insights shared during this conference, with the following speeches: *Translation and minority languages, where are we at?*

Delivered by Prof. dr. hab. Antonia CRISTINOI BURSUC (Université Sorbonne Nouvelle, Paris, France), *Theatre, Gender, Translation* by Assoc. Prof. dr. Veronica PACHECO COSTA (Universidad Pablo de Olavide, Seville, Spain) and *Translators – Enduring the Whip or Wearing the Crown?*, given by Prof. dr. hab. Loredana PUNGĂ (West University of Timișoara, Romania).

The conference proceedings have been published in special issues (as thematic volumes) of *Open Linguistics*, an international journal indexed in Web of Science - Emerging Sources Citation Index, and ERIH PLUS among others, in open access, at De Gruyter Publishing House (<https://www.degruyter.com/journal/key/opli/8/1/html>).

Overall, the conference created a favourable framework for the exchange of ideas and good practices, as well as for long-term collaboration and promotion of scientific research in the field of translation and interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary and transdisciplinary studies. In December, it's *translation times* at the University of Craiova!