

**The International Conference *Literature, Discourse and Multicultural Dialogue*
(Târgu-Mureș, December 7-8, 2019)**

The 7th edition of the International Conference *Literature, Discourse and Multicultural Dialogue*, organized by the Alpha Institute of Multicultural Studies, in partnership with the “Gheorghe Șincai” Institute for Research in Social Sciences and Humanities of the Romanian Academy and with the “Dimitrie Cantemir” University of Târgu Mureș, took place between 7-8 December 2019, in Târgu-Mureș.

The conference presentations were made in Romanian or in a foreign language (English, French, German, Italian) and were grouped into five sections: communication, journalism, education sciences, psychology and sociology (47 presentations); history, political sciences and international relations (59 presentations); language and discourse (56 presentations); literature (115 presentations), and social sciences (53 presentations). Researchers, academics, doctors in the fields mentioned above and PhD students participated in the proceedings.

The conference was attended by 330 academics and researchers from the USA, Italy, France, Germany, Moldova and from the following Romanian universities: University of Bucharest, “Al. Ioan Cuza” University of Iași, “Babeș-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca, “Ovidius” University of Constanța, University of Craiova, “Ștefan cel Mare” University of Suceava, West University of Timișoara, etc.

For each of the five sections of the conference we will mention one or two papers, i.e. communication, journalism, education sciences, psychology and sociology: Mihaela Mureșan (“Babeș-Bolyai” University of Cluj-Napoca), *The dynamics of the Romanian journalistic language nowadays: normative grammar rules*; history, political sciences and international relations: Nicolae Iuga (“Vasile Goldiș” University of Arad), *Religious developments and the status of minority language education in contemporary Ukraine*; language and discourse: Angelica Hobjilă (“Al. Ioan Cuza” University of Iași), *Filler words used in didactic communication*; Carmen Opreșor (“Lucian Blaga” University of Sibiu), *A few approaches to translation*; literature: Iulian Boldea (UMFST “G. E. Palade” Târgu-Mureș), *Romanian prison autobiography*; Mihaela Chapelan (University of Bucharest), *Modern reconfigurations of the Antigone myth*; and social sciences: Marin Manolescu (University of Bucharest), *Rebuilding school. Shifting from instruction to education*.

Linguistics presentations distinguished themselves through original topics, substantial research and interesting approaches to the topics. The opportunity offered by the organizers allowed a scientifically efficient conference, with the participation of numerous professors, researchers and doctoral students from many academic centres or from Romanian and foreign research institutes. The conference was of real benefit to all participants.