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Professor of Roman and Early Byzantine History, Art and Archaeology at the University of Bucharest. Director of the Doctoral School of History (2024).

Studied History and Archaeology at the Faculty of History – University of Bucharest (graduated in 1992), Ph.D. in Late Roman/ Early Byzantine History and Archaeology (2000). Member of the Romanian Institute of Thracology in Bucharest (1992-1999); assistant (1999), lecturer (2002), associate professor (2004) and vice-dean (2012-2020) at the Faculty of History (Dept. of Ancient History, Archaeology and History of Art). Habilitation (2021).

Excavation director of the archaeological site Capidava, Constanța County, Romania (since 2004); member (2008 - 2016, 2020 - 2022) and vice-president of the National Archaeological Commission (2012 - 2016, 2020), member of the National Commission for Historical Monuments (2013 - 2018). President of the National Archaeological Commission (2018 - 2020).

Member of the Romanian Limes Commission (2014-). Currently involved in a UNESCO transnational project aiming at nominating the Lower Danube (Eastern Segment) sites in Croatia, Serbia, Bulgaria and Romania, as an extension to the already existing World Heritage Property «Frontiers of the Roman Empire – The Danube Limes (Western Segment)».

Teaching and research activities oriented toward Roman and Early Byzantine history and archaeology. Scientific interests in the Lower Danube Roman border provinces, urban evolution in Roman Dobrudja (1st-7th c.), epigraphy and ceramic studies, as well as the economy of the Roman world, cultural history/ historical anthropology and religious studies, with special regard to the phenomena associated with the evolution from Paganism to Christianity in the Late Roman Empire. Studies and articles, archaeological reports, research contracts and grants, volumes, conferences and lectures in Romania and abroad (France, Italy, Austria and Germany, Bulgaria, Cyprus and Greece).

Fellowships and research stages at Institut für Klassische Archäologie - Universität Wien, Deutsches Archäologisches Institut (DAI) – Abteilung Istanbul and Eurasien Abteilung-Berlin; postdoctoral scholarship at the Institut d'Histoire du Christianisme - Université « Jean Moulin » Lyon 3; alumnus of New Europe College - Institute for Advanced Study in Bucharest.

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